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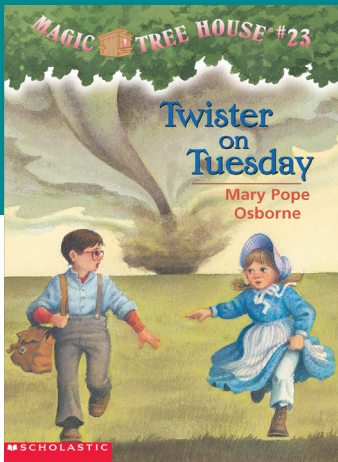
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Book Review

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On this particular quest, Jack and Annie travel to the prairie in the 1800s. During this trip, Jack and Annie encounter a school where they learn about the Westward Expansion of the United States. Right before they are able to leave, a tornado rips through the area, heading straight for the school! Since both kids did their research while living in the prairie, they know that there is a storm cellar underneath the school. They run back and help save the teacher and students while learning about the hardships of living in this area during the Westward Migration.

The Magic Tree House series is perfect for children who love magic and enjoy learning about different scientific or historical events. When Jack and Annie travel, they take notes about what they learn in a journal, including new vocabulary words. In this book, words like prairie schooner, dugout, and sod bricks are defined, and students learn many new facts relating to the topic. The illustrations in the text aid comprehension. Additionally, there are problems that arise that the characters must solve. At the very end, there are a few pages of non-fiction text with facts that relate to the topic of the book. The suspense and constant conflict make the book incredibly engaging, and it is highly recommended for students new to chapter books.

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Outstanding

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