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The Sisters Grimm #5: Magic and Other Misdemeanors

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Book Review

Title: The Sisters Grimm #5: Magic and Other Misdemeanors  
Author: Michael Buckley  
Illustrator: Peter Ferguson  
Reviewer: Kristie Hinckley  
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Interest Level: Intermediate  
Rating: Outstanding

Review

Sabrina and Daphne are finally in real training to be fairy tale detectives. The girls learn how to track suspects, escape traps, find clues, use self-defense, and other helpful skills. Meanwhile, they are also searching for ways to wake their parents from a sleeping curse. But several distractions occur that keep them from this goal. Several incidents of time travel keep happening in their latest mystery, and the evil Scarlet Hand is doing everything to try to get the Grimm family out of Ferryport Landing. With the help of all their friends, Sabrina and Daphne are determined to change the grim future they witness in one of their time traveling episodes.

Magic and Other Misdemeanors by Michael Buckley is the fifth novel in The Sisters Grimm series. This story is where the arc-line of the entire series starts to speed up. The villains are no longer an anonymous terrorist group, but people who are openly against the Grimm family. The time traveling aspects are somewhat cliche, but help to set up for the next few books in the series. The resolution of the time traveling mystery is a sweet one and can teach children a lesson about true love. Overall, this is an exciting installment in a wonderful series.