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Small tears to dust jacket. Jacket in mylar. Name written on inside first page.

## The Bobbsey Twins at the County Fair Details

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## Jim says

i thought twilight was one of the worst american language books published. now i know who meyer learned her insipid prose style from.  
i read one chapter of twilight, and only one page of the bobbsey twins. my head hurts.  
(to be fair to the book i gave it to both my mother and aunt to read, they liked the series when they read them as children before the war. they about choked from embarrassment for having liked them having read a few pages now)

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## Linda says

Growing up in the '50's, I owned and read the first 40 of the Bobbsey Twins. These are the books that first hooked me on reading. These old editions are terribly racist, but there are new ones that have eliminated that problem. But for this reason, I am not rating the series.

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## Katherine Krige says

It is a bit of a stretch to give this book 2 stars. I have a hard time saying I thoroughly disliked a book. My children and I read the book through to its predictably happy ending. And last night I did some research on the history of the Bobbsey Twins books, which was interesting, to me at the very least.

But At the County Fair was incredibly dated and hard to believe at so many points. The author's treatment of anyone other than whites is so completely stereotypical and offensive, from the black maid and handyman to the 'Italian' who rescued Bob Guess. Mr Blipper, a Carnie, is a thief and liar. But worse was the completely lackadaisical parenting of Mr and Mrs Bobbsey themselves. Their twins are little mischief makers that no one ever thinks to scold or punish for the antics they get up to. When little Freddie takes a ride on a race horse, there are no consequences. The next day when he and his sister Flossie scramble into a hot air balloon and go for an unplanned ride, again no one takes them to task for their actions, nor does the owner of the balloon get recompensed for the damages to his balloon. Of course no one sues him either, so that is refreshing. But even my girls laughed when little Flossie says "Hark", as she hears something. Who says Hark? Even back then. And the child is supposed to be around 6 years old.

I guess it is one for my classics pile, but I doubt the 93 year-old book will be worth any money.

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## Sarah says

A very cute story. However, if I were Mrs. Bobbsey, I would put Freddy and Flossy on a leash.

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## **Aubree Bowling says**

I have finally now read all the public domain books in this series I could find. I will say the writing was horrific in the middle and got downright decent in the last few.

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## **? BookAddict 🗡️ La Crimson Femme says**

I read every Bobbsey Twins adventures I could get my hands on from the age of 9 through 11. Summers were wonderful and I could borrow from the library and read these books. I could borrow 8 books every 2 weeks. Soon, I needed more than that and had to fight the librarian for more books. Now, I can do 8 books in a day. Sigh.

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## **Sharon says**

I have been making my way through the Bobbsey Twins books as an adult; we had only one in the house when I was growing up (The Bobbsey Twins Or, Merry Days Indoors and Out), which I read over and over again.

Of course, these books seem dreadfully dated to me now, but nevertheless I enjoy reading about the antics of the four Bobbsey children.

In this outing, they are all at a Sunday school picnic when a merry-go-round arrives in an out-of-order state. They're fascinated by it, so their father says he will take them to the fair for which the device is bound (since it is near to their Uncle Daniel's farm).

Of course, the children get into all kinds of scrapes (it's mostly the younger twins) at the fair, and at the end of the day all is well.

These books are a great opportunity for parents to talk about how times have changed with their kids and address issues of racism, etc., that are taken for granted in the text.

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