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A blood-curdling original novella from the world of the internationally bestselling fantasy adventure series that inspired the forthcoming major motion picture *Seventh Son*! This short novella stars the Spook's seventh apprentice, a boy named Will Johnson.

Will is a seventh son of a seventh son, the perfect candidate to train as the Spook's apprentice . . . but Will is lazy. Mr. Gregory is giving him one last chance to shape up or be sent home. When Mr. Gregory leaves to deal with some boggarts, he tells Will to catch up on his notes, practice throwing his silver chain, and not to take on any spook business of his own—under *any* circumstances. But when the pig butcher's son rings the Spook's bell, panicked because a witch has his father, can Will really ignore him?

In *The Seventh Apprentice*, Joseph Delaney packs all of the terror and gore of the Last Apprentice series into a short novella. The Last Apprentice series is soon to be a major motion picture, *Seventh Son*, starring Jeff Bridges, Ben Barnes, Alicia Vikander, Kit Harington, Olivia Williams, Antje Traue, Djimon Hounsou, and Julianne Moore as Mother Malkin. It's a suspenseful thrill ride that's "spine-tingling" (*Publishers Weekly*) and "anything but tame" (*Horn Book*). But don't read it after dark!

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Andrew says

This is a short little story based in the last apprentice universe, in it we meet Will the spooks lazy seventh apprentice and how a series of events ends up with his life in danger and pigs everywhere. Overall it was an OK story but the main character was kind of a moron...I mean your training to fight evil so let's just do everything my master tells me not to do...moron. I did enjoy the witch in the story and to be honest that alone was worth the time to read it. Anyone that likes the series should check it out.

Andrew says

Read this after seeing Delaney say he wanted to continue to The Last Apprentice Series, but the next book would most likely focus on Will Johnson, the main character of this novella, as it's main character, while still involving Tom/Alice. Johnson is mentioned briefly in the Starblade series, and this novella gives you some background about him. It should be interesting to see if he pursues this direction at some point.

Jan says

Joseph Delaney can do no wrong and this is pre Tom Ward. It was a lovely outing to see John Gregory before he took on Tom as his last apprentice. Much in the mode of Wardstone Chronicles and enjoyable. Joseph Delaney is a great author and his novels remain an excellent read.

Miranda Reads says

AHHH! He's back! The series continues! but I'm also heartbroken.

Review to come!

Faye Irvine says

ALways Good read!

Delaney is an awesome writer. I've read the entire series and loved every book. When I first started reading the Last Apprentice, I kept saying they should make a movie out of this wondrous tale...sooooo glad my wish will be reality soon. Please continue this magical story Mr. Delaney.

Toby Causon says

It's worth a read if you are a fan of the spooks series like I am. But I was kind of hoping to see more of the spook, but rather we only really got a glimpse of the new characters.

It was well written and I enjoyed it, even if it was a little short (thought that is to be expected since it is a 'short story').

Alyssa says

For fans of The Last Apprentice this Novella is a great revisit back to the world of Will and the Spook.

Full Review can be found on my blog: <http://libraryoftheseen.blogspot.com/...>

Emmy Johnson says

As mentioned before I have a nostalgic love for Joseph Delaney which no other author could ever amount too. However, over the past few years I have admittedly been a bit disappointed with his novels, The Seventh Apprentice finally left me feeling hopeful for Delaney's future books!

This novella features both old and new characters who I came to love instantly. They were fun, and you definitely get to see a side of John Gregory which wasn't seen before, a more fatherly and younger side.

Delaney's dark atmosphere which originally drew me to his book was back with vengeance, there were some truly disturbing scenes which made me cringe, even one scene which made me gag. Delaney's masterful description of gore and horror never ceases to draw me in, and I will never understand how these books can be found in the children's section!

If anything this novella has made me want to re read the Wardstone Chronicles from the beginning, I'm in desperate need for some nostalgic horror now!

Robert Rowden says

Good quick read. If you are a fan of the series I recommend the book.

Dulce Salazar says

It was a nice read, a complementary story for those who love the last apprentice saga, and a good start for a reread of the whole saga

Nancy says

I've read all of the books in this series as well as all of these side stories and loved them all! Managed to get through the lot of them in 3 weeks time! I just couldn't stop reading them!!!

Taptapovina says

It was a fast and fun read , I'm a huge fan of Wardstone Chronicles and I love Joseph Delaney's writing . However , I didn't have big expectations for such a book and after I finished reading it , it proved to be true . Joseph Delaney can do a lot better , this book is very short and the plot is very simple , it be described very easily .

I wouldn't recommend you to read it if you are not a fan of the series . It's forgettable and clearly the least inspired story in the series . William , John Gregory's seventh apprentice , is not an interesting protagonist and what I particularly didn't like was that sometimes it reminded me too much of Tom Ward .

Even if I love Joseph Delaney's books , I can easily give the book two stars .
