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Jack and Annie are ready for their next adventure in the *New York Times* bestselling middle-grade series—the Magic Tree House!

Time-traveling brother-and-sister team Jack and Annie have to find a certain kind of food—the fourth thing needed to save Merlin's beloved penguin, Penny. The magic tree house whisks them off to a village in the mountains of southeast China, close to a world-famous panda reserve. Will it be their easiest adventure yet? Not a chance! Jack and Annie don't know it, but they've arrived on the day of a historic earthquake!

How will Jack and Annie survive when the giant quake strikes? Will they be able to rescue the pandas? And how will they ever get back to the tree house so that they can fulfill their quest to save Penny as well?

Mary Pope Osborne conjures up another fast-paced adventure filled with danger, mystery, and magic in the bestselling Magic Tree House series.

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Sara Hollar says

We were so excited to read this because my 4 year old loves China (not sure where that came from). Sadly, it was not great. There were really no cultural lessons here. Everyone in the story spoke English. Jack & Annie went into one restaurant where they noticed different foods, and they immediately "EWW!" and laugh about it. Apparently this is the last book of a series where they needed to find items to complete a spell for a little penguin that somehow turned to stone. I'm not completely opposed to spells and sorcery, but I felt lost and knew my 4 year old was lost because we hadn't read the previous 3 books. The worst part of the story is that Jack & Annie break the rules to get into the panda center and they carry on this lie for the entire story. Every child is to be with an adult, so they pretend this older lady is their grandmother so they can get into the panda center. They lie and trick & deceive through the rest of the book. I was super uncomfortable with this. My son loves the MTH series, but I think we will stick with the earlier books. I definitely don't recommend this one.

Emma says

I love the pandas!

Laura McLoughlin says

As an adult it is fairly confusing reading these out of order. But I'm a firm believer in letting the 6 year old pick out her own books at the library. (Plus she has read some at school so she is more familiar with the characters/situations)

Daphne Kim says

My daughter rated this one 4 stars. She liked it because there are cute pandas and because it was a bit harder to figure out.

This is a fun series for us to read together, but I told her today that I need a one book break from Jack and Annie. Part of me will be glad when we're finished with the series. Perhaps if they weren't back to back I wouldn't feel the same way.

Karen says

My son and I did love this book. Maybe because it featured panda (and a penguin) and a brief visit to Camelot. Or maybe because it was such a warm and delightful read.

Anthony Clark says

eh. MORE PANDAS NEED TO BE IN THIS BOOK

Adelle and Nata Read says

Adelle - 5/5 "It was very interesting and funny and they saved Penny the penguin! 5/5 because all the magic tree house books are very interesting and funny."

Nata - 4/5. "It was like all the other magic tree house books because all of the books are basically the same thing—they go on an adventure, they come back, and then they see Merlin. But it's also very interesting."

Emma Marino says

I did not like the book so I abandoned it

kristen says

The common pattern of the books in The Magic Tree House Series makes for engaging adventures everytime. Kids will love the appeal of the adorable pandas and really sympathize with the earthquake tragedy. Another great book in the series!

Shelli says

A Perfect Time For Pandas was the fourth book in the latest adventure missions Jack and Annie have been sent on by Teddy and Kathleen, their magical friends from Camelot. Teddy accidentally turned Merlin the Magician's treasured pet penguin Penny into a statue. While he and Kathleen worked on reversing the spell, Jack and Annie were sent across different times and continents to find the ingredients needed for the reversal. In this book edition and Annie were sent to Southwest China on May 12th 2008, when major earthquakes devastated the region.

The *Magic Tree House* books are a MUST READ collection for all children. Unlike many other series for young readers, the Magic Tree House should be read in chronological order to best appreciate Jack and Annie's travels through time as they go on various missions; which are typically completed in four parts. Parents and educators will enjoy going along for the ride as much as their students! My daughter is a teenager now but she still gets excited when she sees a new tree house adventure has come out.

Aubree Bowling says

My 6 & 8 year olds loved it. I have now read them 3 of these and I decidedly prefer the historical time travel ones. but the Magic Tree House series is strong and opens up their imaginations really well.

Jiang mingxuan michelle says

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Krista says

This series is so heart warming. I read this aloud to my children, the room is completely quiet except for my reading. They absolutely loved this book. On this adventure, Jack and Annie, travel to modern day china. They are trying to find an object to save Penny the penguin. They have to bring the object back to Camelot when they find it.

During this adventure they are faced with an earthquake, which actually happened years ago in China. Jack and Annie, save some pandas, learning about how to care for pandas, what they eat, and save Penny as well. I love the team work that Jack and Annie have with each other. I love how they listen and are conscience of each others feelings, helping each other along.

I continue to love this series and we will continue reading these in our homeschool. Both as read alongs, as well as, alone.

This is one of the best children's series I have read!

Kavitha Sivakumar says

Love the series, read with my son.

Lindsay says

Read aloud to my 3 and 4 year old. A very quick and easy read with a good story line. We love Magic Tree House, but I prefer books that might have more interesting or challenging vocabulary. But we read these in between.
