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Lionpaw, Hollypaw, and Jaypaw—grandchildren of the Clan leader Firestar—are thriving as the newest ThunderClan apprentices. Yet with their new responsibilities come new experiences, new power . . . and secret dangers.

Lionpaw makes a friend—and a discovery—that must be kept hidden; Jaypaw learns a secret that could benefit ThunderClan only by bringing harm to others; and Hollypaw knows something that could avert a battle, if only she could convince the rest of her Clan. Prophecy looms, ominous forces threaten to tear them apart, and each young cat discovers darkness: in the past, in the Clans—and in themselves.

Dark River Details

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Aurora Dimitre says

so glad we're focusing a little bit more of lionpaw now.

KylaRodas says

The three apprentices find it hard to trust each other. Secrets are around every corner, and an evil enemy has returned.

Gerda Fiske says

This is one of the best 'Warriors' book I've read to date. It's so good! My favorite part was when Hollypaw, Jaypaw, Lionpaw, Breezepaw, and Heatherpaw were saving Sedgekit, Thistlekit, and Swallowkit from the tunnels. Then Fallen Leaves was there and showed Jaypaw the way, and it was like they were brothers!

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??????????4???????0?????????4??????????? says

I tore through this book in less than 12 hours... that's how obsessive they are. :P

Deborah Pickstone says

Despite how many I have read of these books I am still chary of calling the Erins 'favourite authors'. Anyway, in this series and this book - Jaypaw wants slapping, Lionpaw's an idiot and Hollypaw gets stuck in a ludicrous kidnap plot thanks to her nosiness. Still happily reading along and still happy that Greystripe is back :)

Scott says

The title says an awful lot in this 2nd part of the Power of Three saga. It becomes more clear that Brambleclaw and Squirrelflight's kits are the three referenced in this series. There are many subtleties alluded to throughout this book but many tales are intertwined as the powers of Hollypaw (sense of diplomacy) and Lionpaw (skills as a tactician) begin to emerge. Sadly, another encounter with TigerStar, this time through Lionpaw, seems to give the power-hungry ancestor a new hold on ThunderClan's destiny. However, we see that Brambleclaw appears to have at least a minor suspicion of his son's fighting strategy style and I can foresee a potential conflict building in the future. After all, the next title in the series is

"Outcast" which already has me wondering and predicting.

I think my favorite part of this chapter, however, was the growth of Jaypaw, especially as he learns to walk with his ancestors showing a bit more understanding, empathy, and maturity. The little kit is growing up and, while still not entirely comfortable with his set of life's circumstances, gives hope that he is indeed destined for great things. A little shout out to my friend, Micheline, for encouraging me to give Jaypaw's character another chance ... she was definitely right in keeping the faith!

As always, now I can't wait to get started on the next book in the series and find out exactly what "Outcast" refers to ...

Kate Matson says

Summary:

With more experience comes both power and danger: Lionpaw makes a friendship--and a discovery--that must be kept hidden; Jaypaw learns a secret that could benefit ThunderClan by damaging others; and Hollypaw knows something that could avert a battle, if she could convince the rest of her Clan.

The three are torn apart as each discovers darkness: in themselves, in the Clans, and in the past. And, as conflict begins over what it means to be a warrior, rising tensions threaten to overflow, washing away the peace that has existed for many moons.

Plot:

For some reason, so far the plot in The Power of Three series hasn't been as good as the rest. I know for a fact that it'll get better, but it's torture waiting. There's a main prophecy that I'm waiting to come into action, which I know it will in Outcast, the next book. I speed-read this book, which made it so much faster, therefore I was rarely bored.

Characters:

Jaypaw's attitude hasn't gotten much better, but at least he's a little nicer. In the first book, I didn't like Jaypaw at all, but now that I've seen more of his powers, I've come to respect him a little more.

Now onto Lionpaw. Lionpaw is great and all, but he's not an original character yet. He's basically the classic warrior that wants to become clan leader. I did, however, really like his relationship with Heatherpaw.

Hollypaw wasn't really featured that much in this book. She didn't play an important part in Dark River, she was basically just there to fill the 3 P.O.V. standards for this series.

Overall & Recommendations:

Despite my complaints above, this was a great book. Definitely not the best warrior book, but it was still really good. I had my problems with the characters, but not much more. The entire Warrior series is amazing, and I recommend to all.

Zanye says

This book was just...a major execution. Like, a French Revolution-style, King Louis' head execution. So, pretty much the same thing as the first POT book.

The characters just felt SO fake, like the author didn't eat any thought donuts that day. I also just didn't like the style of this particular Erin Hunter. There are six Erin Hunters, so my theory is that, because there is six main arcs, they have one author per arc. And this author just is not very good.

Hoping for better books in the POT arc soon, but my hopes aren't high...

Micheline says

Dark River is the 2nd book in the Power of Three (PO3) series of Warriors. It picks up precisely where PO3 #1, The Sight left off. As the title suggests, this book has a strong theme of looming darkness, or impending danger. An eminent battle threatens to put many clans in danger, and once again TigerStar's presence is felt from beyond the grave. In The Sight, TigerStar & HawkFrost both approached JayPaw in a dream, and attempted to lure him into darkness, but he trusted his instinct and refused. This time around, TigerStar & HawkFrost approach LionPaw, and offer to help him battle train at a perfect moment, and teach him valuable moves....and LionPaw seems willing to accept their help, only BrambleClaw seems to be weary, or suspect TigerStar's involvement....and he would know better than anyone.

All 3 of FireStar's descendants, or BrambleClaw and SquirrelFlight's kits have secrets in this book, and it's still hard to tell what their intentions are, or how they will eventually handle their ever growing powers. In 'The Sight', JayPaw's powers were the only ones I really noticed, and while his powers seem to be growing while growing more complicated, HollyPaw and LionPaw's powers seem to be coming into focus in this book. As usual, I cannot wait to see what happens next, another riveting addition to the Warriors series!

Leona Carstairs says

2nd book to the Warriors: Power of Three series. REALLY REALLY GOOD series. Not as good as the other 3, it was my least favorite of them all but still pretty good.

TheRavenpuffWhovian says

Last book of 2017!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Kayla says

I liked this book more than the last one. It had more of a plot to it. I like Jaypaw's character, it is interesting to read a Warriors book and have it go by smell and hearing rather than sight, being Jaypaw is blind. Also I have come to the conclusion that Squirrelflight is not the mother of Jaypaw, Hollypaw and Lionpaw. I believe Leafpool is their mother. If you have read this book you might see why I think this. :-)

Siobhan says

This book= awesome:D

Aoife says

A GREAT READ! This book is very eventful and very well written. It comes from three different view points with lot's of stuff happening to each of the cats of the prophecy. Then all the stories combine. It's great, the prologue is sad when you find out more about the character "fallen leaves". Jaypaw finds out more about the ancient cats and he finds out something very important about cinderpaw that cinderpaw herself doesn't even know.

Lionpaw, struggles with forbidden love and ambitious characters come to him in his dreams. But do they really want to just help him to become the best warrior and help his clan?

Hollypaw wants to stop her clan from fighting an unnecessary battle and gets mischievous. The ending combines everything and it was really exciting!

Christina says

A little slow to start for me, could be because it's been awhile since I've read a Warriors book but in the end it was better. I'm curious to see that the newest prophecy has in store for our warrior friends.
