

The Magic Thief: Lost

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Connwaer is a young magician's apprentice who lost his connection to magic. In a desperate attempt to reestablish the connection, Conn proceeds in setting off various pyrotechnic explosions. The violent explosions end with controversial feelings; Conn is exiled from town for destroying a building and blatantly disobeying his master's word. On the other hand, a mysterious message is revealed. In the meantime, ruthless shadowmen have been attacking town and Conn's quick mind has linked the message and the presence of the shadowmen together. Connwaer takes it upon himself to figure out the secret of the message, the presence of the shadowmen, and hopefully on the way, fully recreating that protective bond of magic.

The Magic Thief: Lost is a fantasy adventure tale aimed towards advanced elementary school and junior high students. All aspects of this book are well-rounded and contribute wonderfully to the whole of the story. Each character has a relatable personality; their relationships are friendly and remindful of real life.

This book is a relatively simple read, but enjoyable at all times. Despite the abundant number of magical storylines out now, the plotline of *Lost* contains twists that make it original. All the details fall in place, forming a solid background that supported the rest of the story. I definitely wish I could've read the prequel before. *The Magic Thief* series is one I would suggest to my peers at the library.