

*The Secret of the
Hidden Scrolls*

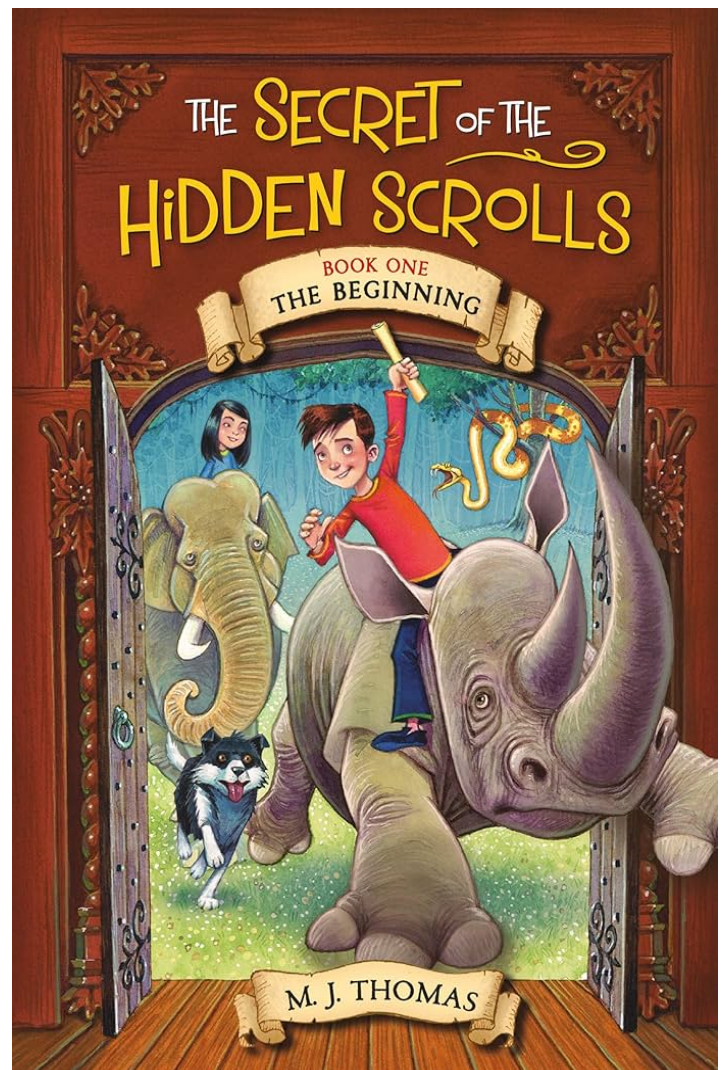
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Chapter 1. The Beginning

Write the correct answer to each question on the line.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. Where were Peter and Mary's parents going? _____
2. How long were their parents going to be gone? _____
3. What was Mary and Peter's dog's name that was staying with them? _____
4. Who were they staying with? _____
5. What were two things Peter and Mary noticed in the large room when they entered the house? _____ and _____
6. What are two characteristics of their great-uncle?
_____ and _____
7. What had their great-uncle given them as a gift the last Christmas they had seen him?

8. What could Peter and Mary's dog do that was special? _____
9. What is a person called that travels to different places, digs up ancient artifacts, and solves mysteries from the past? _____
10. How old is Mary? _____
11. How old is Peter? _____

Predict: What do you think was in the library, and why couldn't Peter go in yet?

Opinion: If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you visit? Why?

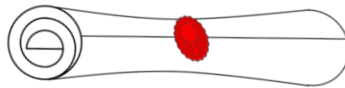
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Chapter 2. An Amazing Discovery

Write true or false next to each statement below.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

- _____ 1. Hank barked five times, so Peter and Mary knew it was five o'clock and time to eat dinner.
- _____ 2. Great-Uncle Solomon served the kids soup, and Peter thought it tasted like soggy cardboard and warm pond water.
- _____ 3. After dinner, Great-Uncle Solomon led Mary and Peter into the library to show them some of his discoveries.
- _____ 4. Their great-uncle told Peter and Mary about his greatest discovery, which was a clay pot that was found under the water in the dead sea.
- _____ 5. Great-Uncle Solomon had spent many years in Israel and the Middle East searching for artifacts that would prove the events in the Bible really happened.
- _____ 6. He had found secret scrolls that only he had the ability to open.



An
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An **onomatopoeia** is a word that represents a sound.
Look at these examples:

Swish! Swish! went the broom.

The horse would neigh when he was hungry.

Underline the onomatopoeias in the following sentences.

1. Ruff! Hank told Peter it was dinnertime.
2. Slurp, Mary's soup was gone.
3. In the dark the kids could hear the flashlight click on.

Boom!

Bang!

What sounds, or onomatopoeias, could represent these things in Great-Uncle Solomon's house?

the library door opening: _____ the lion: _____

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Chapter 3. The Lion's Roar

Circle or highlight the correct ending to each phrase below.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. Peter woke up in the middle of the night because he had heard...
 - a) a lion's roar coming from the hallway.
 - b) Hank barking in the hallway.
2. Mary got up right after Peter, and she noticed the library door...
 - a) was glowing with a bright light all around it.
 - b) was cracked open a little bit.
3. Peter and Mary were amazed when they entered the library and saw...
 - a) tall bookshelves filled with books from floor to ceiling.
 - b) ancient artifacts from all over the world.
4. Hank was barking at a specific book, and the book was...
 - a) large and red with a gold-painted lion on the cover.
 - b) small and black, with a gold-painted scroll on the cover.
5. When Mary removed the book...
 - a) the book began to glow, and bright pictures appeared on the wall.
 - b) the bookshelf rumbled and slid open to reveal a hidden room.
6. Mary and Peter found the scrolls Great-Uncle Solomon had been talking about because...
 - a) Peter found the pot holding them behind a large reading chair.
 - b) Hank ran into the pot that they were in and knocked them all over the floor.
7. Peter noticed that the scroll in his hand had a broken wax seal, then...
 - a) Great-Uncle Solomon came into the room and took the scroll from Peter.
 - b) the walls shook and everything went dark.

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Chapter 4. Let There Be Light

Answer the following questions using complete sentences.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. How did Peter and Mary get close to Hank while they were floating in the dark?

2. The first time they heard a big voice in the dark, what did the voice say?

3. When the big voice created sky, what happened to Peter and Mary?

4. Who was in the boat that the children saw, and why was he there?

5. What happened when Peter reached for the paddle to get in the boat?

6. Why did Peter swim away from the boat?

7. How did Peter end up in the boat?

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Chapter 5. A Mighty Friend

Fill in the blanks with the correct word or words.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. Peter thanked Michael for rescuing them, but Michael said that they could thank _____.
2. Michael told Mary and Peter that he was an _____ of _____ and that he was there to protect them from _____.
3. Michael gave the children rules; the first rule was that they had _____ days to solve the secret in the scroll.
4. The second rule was that they couldn't tell anyone where they were from or that they were from the _____.
5. Rule number three was that they couldn't try to change the _____.
6. Peter and Mary were worried because the scroll was written in _____, and they didn't know how to read it.
7. The next morning the children woke up and heard the big voice, then dry _____ appeared, and the boat landed on it.
8. As they walked across the sand, Peter and Mary looked for food since it had been _____ days since they had eaten anything.
9. When they asked Hank what time it was, Hank couldn't tell because there was no _____ for Hank to look at; the light was coming from _____.
10. They heard the big voice again, and _____ and _____ and fruits and vegetables grew, and Peter and Mary ate until they were full.

What is your favorite fruit or vegetable to eat? _____

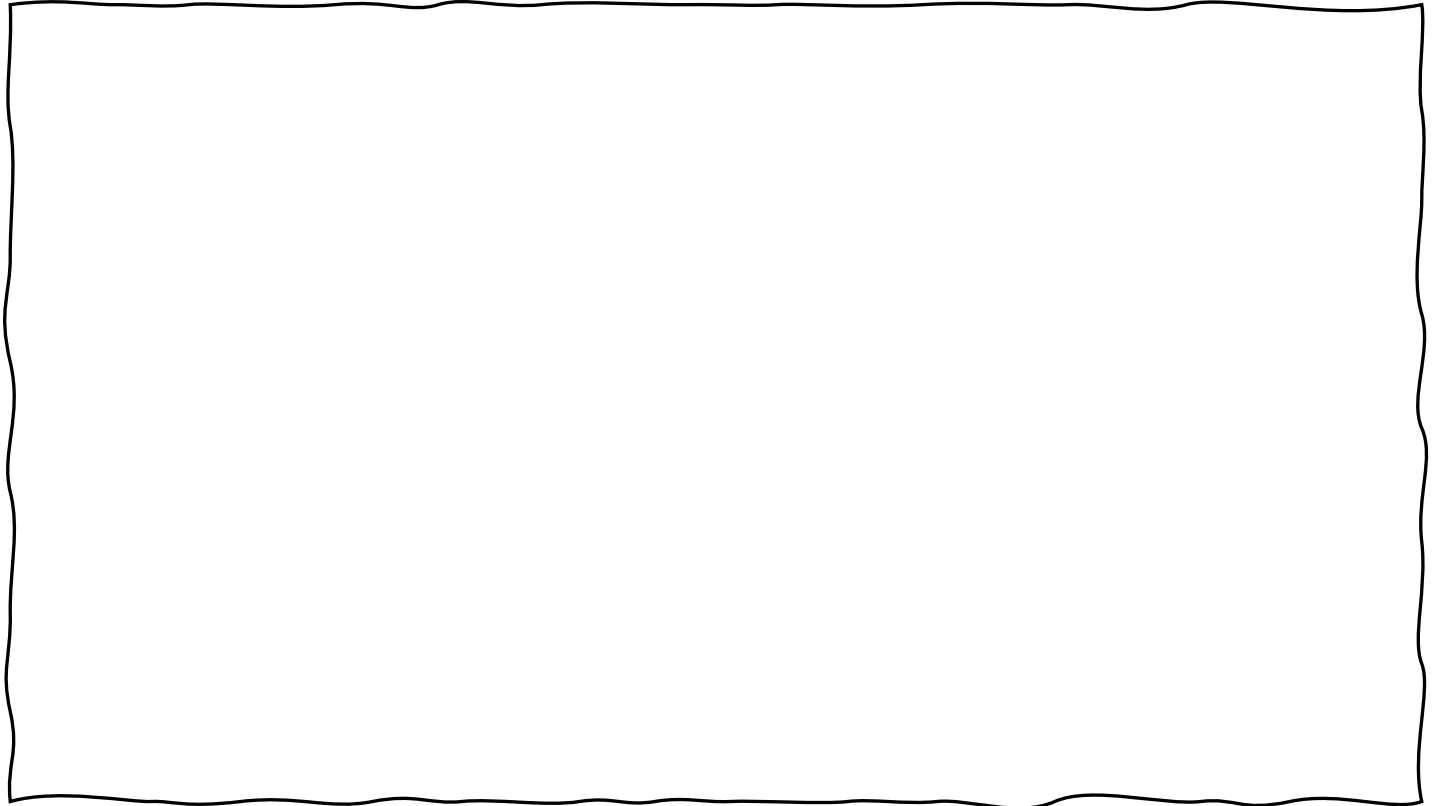
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Chapter 6. One Starry Night

Mary and Peter spent the day playing under the sun and enjoying fresh fruits and vegetables.

Then, as the very first sun set, they sat on the sand and watched the stars come out.

Draw a scene from Mary and Peter's day. Include several details, and color it if you want.



Michael had told Peter and Mary that the first word of the scroll would be *declared* as the sky turned dark that night, and Mary remembered a Bible verse she had learned.

Using your favorite color(s), trace the verse Mary remembered below.

THE HEAVENS DECLARE
THE GLORY OF GOD; THE
SKIES PROCLAIM THE
WORK OF HIS HANDS.
PSALM 19:1

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Chapter 7. Swimming with Dolphins

Circle the best answer to each question below.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. What did Peter eat for breakfast?
 - A. an apple
 - B. a banana
 - C. fish from the ocean
 - D. scrambled eggs
2. As they heard the big voice that morning, what was one thing that *didn't* appear?
 - A. humans
 - B. birds
 - C. sea creatures
 - D. fish
3. Who had spent the morning looking for Satan?
 - A. Mary
 - B. Peter
 - C. Michael
 - D. Hank
4. How would Mary and Peter recognize Satan?
 - A. by his horns
 - B. by his red suit
 - C. by the lies he told
 - D. by his nametag
5. Why did Peter want to get into the water?
 - A. It was hot.
 - B. He needed a bath.
 - C. A turtle needed his help.
 - D. He wanted to swim with the dolphins.
6. What did Mary and Peter see in the water that scared them?
 - A. shark fins
 - B. an octopus
 - C. a huge whale
 - D. Satan

Opinion: Mary and Peter are very different from each other.
Which one are you more like? What characteristics do you have in common?

Predict: Do you think Peter will be able to find Mary again? Explain your answer.

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Chapter 8. Running with Rhinos

A **synonym** is a word that has the same or a similar meaning as another word.

Draw a line from the words on the left to a synonym on the right.

scrambled ▪

▪ vanished

disappeared ▪

▪ hung

dangled ▪

▪ climbed

Write true or false next to each statement below.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

- _____ 1. Peter woke up in the boat when Hank licked his face, then he started rowing and looking for Mary again.
- _____ 2. Peter saw the dolphin that had carried Mary away, and the dolphin led Peter to a different beach than he and Mary had been on.
- _____ 3. Hank was barking at something down the beach, and it was Mary's jacket sitting on a large rock.
- _____ 4. Peter followed footprints into an enormous garden, then he heard the sounds of many creatures in the garden, and he was a little scared.
- _____ 5. There was a well in the middle of the garden with a bucket attached, and Peter and Hank drank from the bucket.
- _____ 6. Peter stuffed some bananas into his pockets for later.
- _____ 7. A rhino ran towards Peter, so he ran up a tree and told Hank to go find Mary.
- _____ 8. A monkey in the tree took a banana out of Peter's pocket and threw it at the rhino.
- _____ 9. Peter grabbed branches and sticks and threw them at the rhino, then the rhino ran off in the other direction.
- _____ 10. The monkey grabbed the scroll out of Peter's pocket then jumped to another tree and was gone.

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Chapter 9. A Slithery Snake

Circle or highlight the correct ending to each phrase below.

You may look back in the book if you need to.

1. As Peter hung above the rhino's horn, the rhino was scared away by a loud rumble...
 - a) caused by a herd of elephants following Hank.
 - b) caused by an earthquake that shook all the fruit – and Peter – out of the tree.
2. After the rumbling stopped, the rhino returned and...
 - a) charged Peter and Mary all the way to the water's edge.
 - b) played chase with Hank.
3. With the help of Hank, Mary had found Peter, but Mary was disappointed because...
 - a) Peter was more interested in playing with monkeys than solving the scroll.
 - b) Peter had lost the scroll to a monkey, and he didn't know where the monkey was.
4. A snake came slithering down a tree in the middle of the garden, and it...
 - a) left and got the scroll from the monkey for Mary and Peter.
 - b) gave Mary and Patrick a ripe, red apple to eat.
5. Mary and Peter knew the snake was telling them lies because the snake said that...
 - a) the world had always existed, and that God didn't make any of the creatures.
 - b) the bananas were poisonous, and anyone that ate the bananas would be poisoned.
6. The snake was not happy with Peter and Mary, so it...
 - a) slithered back up the tree and was out of sight.
 - b) wrapped itself tightly around Peter, Mary, and Hank.

Predict: The snake didn't want anyone to stop his plan.

What do you think his plan is? Do you think Mary and Peter will stop it from happening?

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Chapter 10. The Karate Lesson

Peter, Mary, and Hank were trapped in the snake's grip!

Number the events from 1 to 7 in the order they happened in chapter 10.

- _____ Mary used her karate skills to kick the snake in the head. Peter grabbed the scroll when it flew out of the snake's mouth.
- _____ Mary screamed for help, and Michael appeared. He struck the snake with his flaming sword, and the snake, or Satan, released the children.
- _____ Michael complimented Mary on her kick and said he didn't come to their aid sooner because he was waiting for them to ask for help.
- _____ The snake darted towards Michael, but Michael used his shield. The snake struck the shield, fell to the ground, then slithered away.
- _____ Michael led them to the edge of the garden to hide behind some trees because he wanted to show them something amazing.
- _____ Peter threw the scroll and told Hank to fetch it. Hank held the scroll as the snake re-wrapped itself around Hank, Peter, and Mary.
- _____ The snake held Peter, Mary, and Hank tight in his grip until he could grab the scroll, then he released them.

Predict: What do you think Michael is going to show them?

A **homophone** is a word that sounds like another word but has a different meaning and a different spelling. Fill in the blanks below with the correct homophone.

- no, know
1. The snake didn't _____ what karate was.
 2. There was _____ way they were giving the snake the scroll.

- threw, through
1. Peter _____ the scroll far away.
 2. Michael led them _____ the great garden.

- new, knew
1. Michael _____ they needed help, but he waited until they asked.
 2. Peter and Mary saw _____ things being created every day.

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Chapter 11. Everything Is Very Good

Peter and Mary were in the great garden with all kinds of friendly animals, fresh fruits and vegetables, and God! How would you spend a day in the garden? Write a short paragraph describing what you would do during a day in the garden.

God made so many amazing things for us when he created the earth. Put the days of creation in order below. If you are not sure, look at Genesis chapter 1.



Day ____
God created the
sun, moon, and
stars.

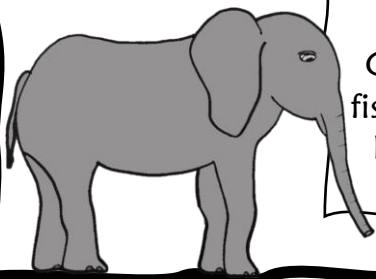
Day ____
God created the
land animals and
humans.



Day ____
God made dry
ground appear
and created
vegetation.

Day ____
God rested.

Day ____
God created light
and called light
“day” and dark
“night”.



Day ____
God created the
fish of the sea and
birds of the air.

Day ____
God split the
waters above from
the waters below
and created the sky.



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Chapter 12. The Rest of the Story

You finished the book! Great Job!

Let's go over the details of the book in this mini book report.

Title: _____

Main _____

Author: _____

Characters: _____

Illustrators: _____

Setting:

Time or time period:

Place:

Summarize the main idea of the book.

Rate this book:



Would you recommend this book? YES NO

Explain. _____

Draw or write about your favorite part of the book.