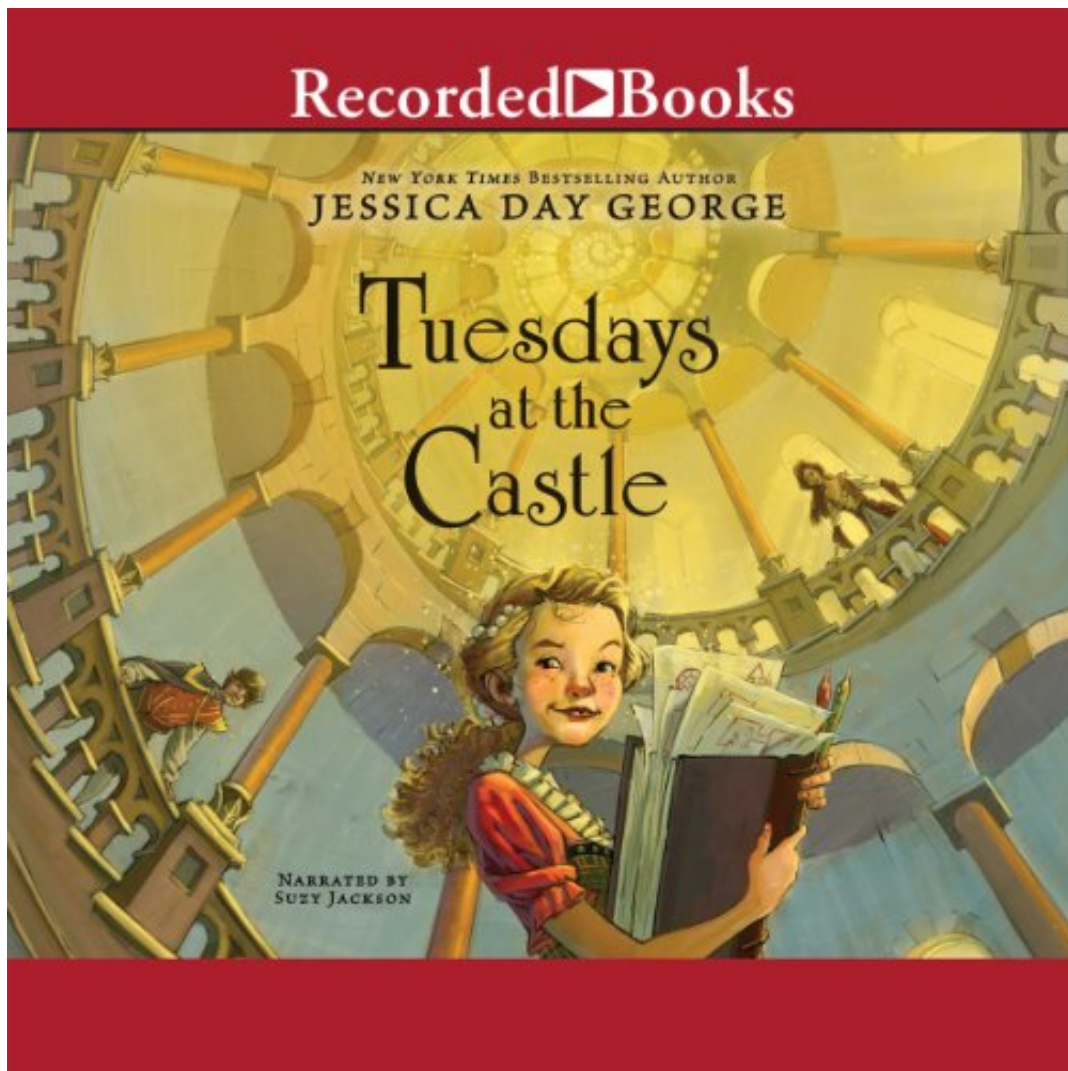


Tuesdays at the Castle

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Synopsis

Tuesdays at Castle Glower are Princess Celie's favorite days. That's because on Tuesdays the castle adds a new room, a turret, or sometimes even an entire wing. No one ever knows what the castle will do next, and no one - other than Celie, that is - takes the time to map out the new additions. But when King and Queen Glower are ambushed and their fate is unknown, it's up to Celie, with her secret knowledge of the castle's never-ending twists and turns, to protect their home and save their kingdom. This delightful book from a fan - and bookseller - favorite kicks off a brand-new series sure to become a modern classic.

Sort review

“Shannon Hale's books reignite my love of reading--that joy of having the time of my life with a great story.” —Stephenie Meyer, author of *Twilight*“This is not a fluffy, predictable fairy tale Instead Hale weaves an intricate, multilayered story about families, relationships, education, and the place we call home.” —School Library Journal, starred review“*The book is a fresh approach to the traditional princess story with unexpected plot twists and great emotional resonance.*” —2006 Newbery Committee“*Palace of Stone . . . proves once again that with quick wit and brave words, one person really can change the world.*” —School Library Journal on *Princess Academy: Palace of Stone*“*Powerful and deeply engaging.*” —Kirkus Reviews on *Princess Academy: Palace of Stone*“*This is not a fluffy, predictable fairy tale....Instead Hale weaves an intricate, multilayered story about families, relationships, education, and the place we call home.*” —SLJ, starred review for *PRINCESS ACADEMY: Palace of Stone . . . proves once again that with quick wit and brave words, one person really can change the world.*” —SLJ on *Palace of Stone*About the AuthorShannon Hale is the New York Times bestselling author of over thirty books, including fantasy novels *The Goose Girl* and *Book of a Thousand Days*, science fiction novel *Dangerous*, Newbery Honor winner *Princess Academy*, graphic novel memoirs *Real Friends* and *Best Friends* (with LeUyen Pham), and romantic comedy *Austenland* (now a major motion picture starring Keri Russell). She lives in Utah with her husband and frequent collaborator Dean Hale, their four remarkable children, and two ridiculous cats named Misty Knight and Mike Hat.

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What people say about this book

Sara Post Lee, "Absolutely WONDERFUL!. This YA book appeals to fantasy/magic fans of all ages. It's warm and loving, with some adventure and excitement for spice. The ending is lovely. Highly recommended!"

Amanda, "Great Mystery For Kids. I read this with my daughter (9, 3rd grade). She liked the beginning, but had a hard time with some of the introduction chapters that were rather boring. Once the story picked up it got very interesting. So interesting she couldn't put the book down until she read the last three chapters. I found it to be well written. There were some words that I found hard to pronounce so kids could struggle with them. There were new vocabulary words that my daughter didn't know so that was good. We are both glad with how the story turned out. We also liked Cecelia, Rolf, and Lilah a lot. The good characters were also well written and easy to like. Lots of funny moments sprinkled in too."

The Anderson Family, "Celie has the best castle ever imagined!! Tuesday's at the Castle Glower are the best! Those are the days the castle likes to stretch its wings and add rooms, stairways, or hallways if it felt like it. It's such a fun read that I've read this book to my grandchildren several times over the past few years and it's still one of my favorites!! I had rented the book online from my local library, but really wanted to own the book, so I purchased this online e-book, and the other books in this entertaining and enjoyable series, so I could read them whenever I wanted to. I plan on buying a hard copy in the future because I love books and this one, along with the rest of the series, would be a perfect addition to my collection. Princess Celie is the main character of this book. The story is told generally through her eyes and experiences. She loves her castle, and it loves and protects her from an evil Prince and her father's wicked Emissary, it helps her sneak through the castle by adding, shifting, and altering rooms and stairways. It's the best castle ever!!! I'm enthralled with the story and how clever Celie is and I hope you will enjoy these books as much as I and my grandkids do!"

Heidi Grange, "Loved it!. Celie loves Castle Glower, the magical castle in which she lives with her family. Despite the castle's tendency to confuse everyone and create new rooms and move existing rooms seemingly at its own whim, Celie loves the place. In fact, she knows the castle better than anyone else and her self-created atlas proves it. When her parents disappear, apparently assassinated, her knowledge and connection to the castle become key in helping her brother, Rolf, the Crown Prince, keep his tenuous hold on the kingdom. But when things look blackest can Celie use her knowledge of the castle to save her family? I loved the castle as a setting, I giggled as I read about the castle's way of treating those not worthy of trusting. I also loved Celie's spunkiness and determination to save her home and family. Her brother Rolf is my second favorite character, his sense of humor while dealing with a great deal of pressure from the royal council impressed me. Plotwise, there were a few things that I wondered about, such as

why some people acted the way they did, but this didn't bother me much. Mostly I just enjoyed the story for what it was, a fun, exciting story about a living castle and its inhabitants. There was plenty of excitement and humor and I highly recommend this one."

Wulfstan, "Another winning YA Fantasy. Rather than stay with her tried and true Dragon Adventure series (Dragonskin Slippers, etc), Jessica Day George introduces us to a new fantasy setting with new heroes, a new princess, and what may be the largest character yet- the Castle itself. Fascinating idea, slightly reminiscent of Gormengast or Castle Perilous, The Castle here is alive and aware- and can grow new rooms and hallways over night. What's more, Castle Glower loves and cares for its royals- as long as they love and care for it. And that's exactly what Princess Celie does. But then the King and Queen have to leave, and a hostile take-over is threatened? What will the 11yo princess and her royal siblings do? How much really, can a Castle help? I also liked the realistic and non-violent touches, there isn't a lot of swordplay or bloodletting here, just three very smart kids and their castle vs some baddies. Wonderful book for those 8-80. A real page turner."

Travlinthru, "Looks like the start to a fun series. Cute story about a magically sentient castle and three Royal siblings who try to save the castle and hold their country together when their parents, the King and Queen, are ambushed and can't be found. It's probably a children's book and I'm (ahem!) quite a bit older than a child, but I loved it. I saw where some reviewers complained about plot holes and some of the characters "talking funny". Give the book a break! Those characters were from different kingdoms and were not speaking their native language. I found nothing confusing or irritating about the book and am looking forward to the next one."

PhoenixFire, "Perfect for young readers. Was a fun read, think my 7 & 9 year old will enjoy it"

Margery L. Goldstein, "What a wonderful book!. I would give this book ten stars if I could. This confident, pitch-perfect narrative does what it sets out to do, creating a magical castle inhabited by real people who face a real crisis, and then bringing the crisis to a successful conclusion. I hope this is a standalone novel, because I believe there is nothing left to be said about Castle Glower. "Tuesdays at the Castle" joins "The Search for Delicious" and "Half Magic" in the category of classy classics for pre-teens. Celie is a fine heroine, smart and caring and brave. She is a good character for girls to identify with, and I think boys will manage to get over any "Yuck, a princess book" qualms and enjoy her story too. When I started to read "Tuesdays at the Castle," I worried that it would be too similar to another recent girl-in-a-changing-castle book, "Flora Segunda" by Wilce. Luckily, the books start with a similar idea but go in completely different directions. (Watch out for those old stuffed animals, though!) The Flora books are for a somewhat older group of readers, but are also excellent."

MC, "happy with this purchase. Very happy with this. Bought it for my 8year old granddaughter

who couldn't put it down. I had to buy the rest of the series as he was enthralled!"

HEW021, "Fun book. A fun book. I really enjoyed reading this book. A close family, never mind that they are royal, is threatened and work together to save their home and family. Oh, and did I mention the castle is alive, and is constantly changing, chooses the next king, supporting the royal family, and has rather amusing ways of expressing its displeasure? I would recommend this book to anyone who wants to laugh. Young readers (9+) to adults should enjoy this fun romp through an enchanted castle trying to outwit a bunch of traitors and assassins. Jessica Day George's book always have a good, quick pace that flows easily. A hard book to put down."

Stephanie, "Cute story line. I think this is great to intro kids into novels - great mix between the lion the witch and the wardrobe, and Harry Potter? Either way, it is great"

Sol, "Un castillo fantástico. Un cuento de princesas y villanos en un castillo mágico que es un protagonista más de la historia. Para leer de un tirón, engancha de la primera a la última palabra. Al parecer es el primero de la serie pero en sí es una historia completa."

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