



**A homemade time machine.
A lost royal ruby. A prophecy that
could change history forever.**

ABOUT THE BOOK

Thirteen-year-old Libby knows her grandmother, physicist Professor Evelyn Zamenhof, is a little unusual. But when Libby gets a mysterious letter, she finds out Evelyn is in serious trouble. It turns out Evelyn invented a time machine - the Chronorocket 1.1, built from a thermos - and now she's been kidnapped.

The kidnappers want something specific: Edward the Black Prince's lost ruby, a gem believed to hold the key to Britain's political power. To save her grandmother, Libby and her art historian mother, Milly, will have to travel back in time to medieval France and steal it.

With only a cryptic prophecy to guide them, Libby and Milly skip through time: dodging battlefields, solving riddles, and escaping angry mobs hunting for witches. But as they race against the clock, their mother-daughter bond is tested. Libby wants to prove she's tougher than her overprotective mom thinks. But can they save Evelyn without getting on each other's nerves?

A fantastical time-travel adventure of epic proportions. Fans of Percy Jackson and The Secret Lake will love Libby and her eccentric time-traveling family.

WHAT MAKES THIS SPECIAL

- ★ Real history woven into the adventure: the Hundred Years' War, the Battle of Agincourt, and one of the world's most famous gemstones
- ★ A smart, brave heroine who speaks multiple languages and solves puzzles
- ★ A heartwarming story about mothers and daughters learning to trust each other
- ★ Perfect for fans of time-travel stories and middle-grade adventure

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The Time Skippers and the Lost Ruby is her third book, following a children's book and a collection of short stories. The idea for this adventure came from a series of roleplaying games Maya developed to teach history to gifted children. The game focused on the Hundred Years' War and included battles, riddles, and mysteries - elements that found their way into Libby's time-traveling adventure.

Maya brings the same curiosity and precision to her fiction that she applies to her research - weaving real history, smart puzzles, and heartfelt family dynamics into a story that keeps young readers turning pages.

WHY READERS WILL LOVE THIS

- Young readers who love action, history, and smart heroines
- Fans of time-travel adventures and puzzle-solving
- Families looking for stories with strong mother-daughter relationships
- Teachers and librarians seeking books that inspire interest in history and science

READERS REVIEWS

★★★★★ *Kindle Customer*

“An absolute gem of an adventure! Fast-paced, vivid, and brilliantly executed—kids will fall in love with reading, and adults won’t resist it either.”

★★★★★ *J. Emblen*

“An exciting, well-paced time travel adventure perfect for curious young minds. A great mix of history, mystery, friendship, and just the right amount of danger.”

★★★★★ *Tamar Feldman*

“An absolute gem—funny, fast-paced, and full of heart. The time-travel twist makes it impossible to put down.”

★★★★★ *A*

“A beautiful plot, well-developed characters, and remarkable writing pace make this book a great pastime full of adventure and good values.”

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