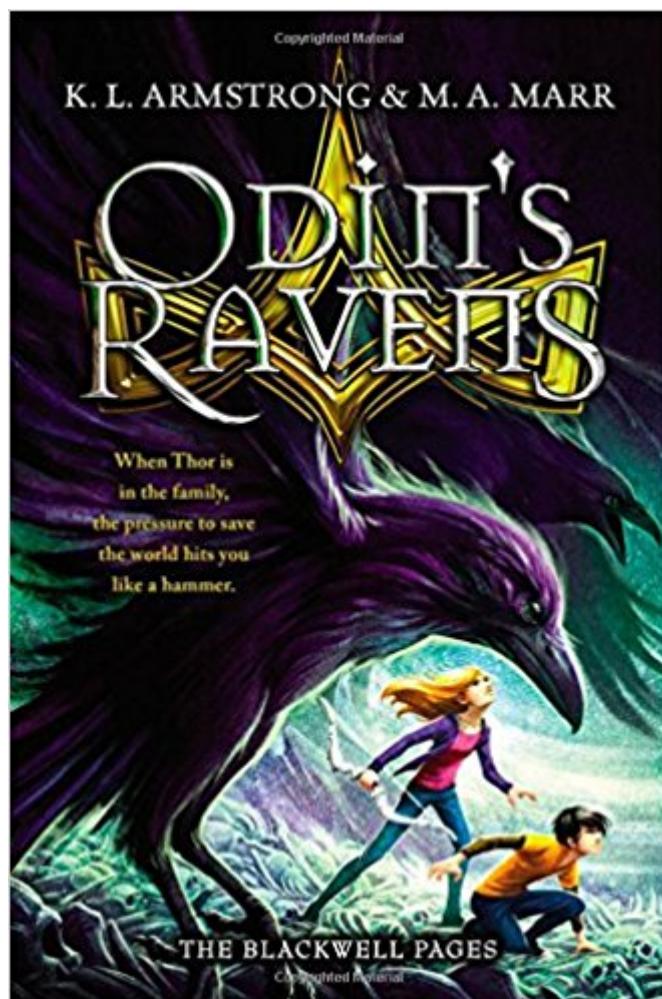


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# Odin's Ravens (The Blackwell Pages)



## **Synopsis**

Seven kids, Thor's hammer, and a whole lot of Valkyries are the only things standing against the end of the world. When thirteen-year-old Matt Thorsen and Fen and Laurie Brekke, modern-day descendants of Thor and Loki, discovered they were fated to take the places of the Norse Gods in a battle against the apocalypse, they thought they knew how things would play out. Gather the other descendants, defeat a giant serpent, and save the world. No problem, right? Wrong. The descendants' journey grinds to a halt when their friend Baldwin is poisoned and Matt, Fen, and Laurie must travel to the Underworld in hopes of saving him. From there, they'll have to reunite the challengers, find Thor's hammer, and save humanity - that is, if they can survive a journey filled with enough monstrous beasts and godly enemies to make Matt and his friends legends in their own right.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 9 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## **Customer Reviews**

Gr 4-7 "In Loki's Wolves (Little, Brown, 2013), 13-year-olds Matt, Laurie, and Fen all learn that they are the descendants of Norse gods. Upon making this discovery, they set out on a journey to locate the rest of the descendants in an effort to pool their strengths and defeat a giant serpent

hell-bent on bringing about the apocalypse. They hit a roadblock, however, when a fellow descendant is killed and sent to the Underworld. This installment in the series begins where the first book left off, with the three teens trapped in the Underworld on a mission to reclaim their friend Baldwin. The chapters alternate among the three main characters. The story is a perfect fit for reluctant readers as the action begins on page one and never lets up. This is not a standalone title, however. Reading Loki's Wolves first is a must. Recommend "The Blackwell Pages" to kids looking for a companion series to Rick Riordan's "Percy Jackson" books (Hyperion). "Jennifer Furuyama, Pendleton Public Library, OR --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This sequel to Lokiâ™s Wolves (2013) delivers plenty of action as well as reflective moments for its five main characters, teens descended from the Norse gods Thor, Loki, Baldur, and Odin. Former middle-school classmates Matt, Laurie, and Fen rescue their friend Baldwin from the underworld, defeat a cave bear, and fight many zombie-like draugrs, while their ally Owen faces his own challenges, rejoining his pals when he can. All the young descendants of the gods struggle to come to terms with their roles in the coming epic battle foretold in Norse mythology. The second volume in the fast-paced Blackwell Pages series, this flows well, developing the main characters and offering moments of humor even as it delivers exciting scenes of quest, combat, and adventure. Narrative shifts from one teen hero to another add further dimension to the story as the characters confront personal insecurities, suspicions of each other, and their terrifying enemies. Keep this series in mind for Percy Jackson fans in search of fresh reading material. **HIGH-DEMAND BACKSTORY:** The Blackwell Pages looks poised to join Armstrong and Marrâ™s previous series on the bestseller lists, and the extra push from a multi-platform marketing campaign should help. Grades 4-7.  
--Carolyn Phelan --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

The struggles and determination of the characters are written extremely well. Having the stories told by each character adds that perspective into the story. As for the thirteen year old hero's, this struggle and real life, what do you decide to do with the situation that you are given. Can not wait to read the final book in the series.

This was for my 13yr old son and he LOVED the series.

it came in great shape but i was expecting a hard copy this was a paperback

Book in excellent condition.

The author made the book interesting and kept the plot together nicely. They also kept the book clean of profanity.

Great authors, great writing, great story. Can't wait to read the next one. My 12 year old daughter and I read them. I read all the adult books by Kelley Armstrong.

A perfect blend of Norse mythology and modern times. It helps you learn about Norse gods and Vikings while being a genuinely amazing book full of twists and surprises.

I love the writing style and that the story is based on the Norse Gods. I will read all the books in this series.

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