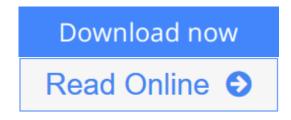


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Grade 5–8—In the final volume in the trilogy, Peer and his friend Hilde join Vikings raiders Gunnar Ingolfsson and his son Harald Silkenhair, Gunnar's young wife, and their crew aboard a longship bound for Vinland. Eventually the travelers reach land, returning to Gunnar's previously established settlement. When Peer discovers the evidence of a murder, relations with the ruthless Vikings begin to deteriorate. After a near-deadly confrontation with Harald, Peer flees and finds refuge with a civilization based on the Native American Mi'kmaq people. They help him to recover and treat him with kindness. When it's discovered that Harald has cold-bloodedly murdered two of their warriors, the tribe is bent on revenge. Peer must find a way to free Hilde from the Vikings and shield her from the violence to come. Langrish skillfully weaves Norse and Native American mythology among the fantasy and adventure elements. Mythical creatures and mystical elements abound, and magic is an everyday part of the characters' existence. Peer and Hilde are now teenagers, and their changing relationship—from friendship to romance—is believably depicted. Fans of the first two books will enjoy this one.—*Ginny Collier, Dekalb County Public Library, Decatur, GA* Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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The third and concluding episode in the Troll Trilogy, Langrish's outstanding Nordic fantasy, puts young Peer and Hilde aboard a ship with a haunted captain and his murderous son and after a hard voyage sets them all down in fabled Vinland. Langrish digs deeply into published folklore and ethnology (as reflected by her extensive source notes at the end) to stock the Old World and New World settings with creatures natural and supernatural, and she rounds out her saga with just deserts for all. Grades 5-8. --John Peters

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