

"I'm very pleased to announce that the April 2017 issue of our online book review magazine "MBR Bookwatch" features a review of "Ella".

Here is the review:

Ella: A Stepmum's Tale
J. L. Higgs

Synopsis: Celebrity TV Reporter Sylvia Stark is determined to find a real investigative news story instead of the fluff she usually covers. She discovers just what she's searching for in the most unlikely person: Cinderella's evil stepmother, Charlotte Johansson Baker. Sylvia decides it's time this infamous old crone tells her side of the story, since everyone knows all about Cinderella.

Since the story broke twenty years earlier, Cinderella has become society's image of female perfection. She is the lowly, downtrodden young maiden who suffers the injustice of others with grace, never getting angry - always beautiful and yet also dignified. She embodies the ideal values of goodness and ultimate virtue, as well as finding true love.

However, what if all that's just a bunch of bull? After talking to the cursed stepmother, Sylvia's world is turned upside-down. Then, she and her cameraman are kidnapped and rescued by - who else? - Humpty Dumpty. Sylvia is now more determined than ever to find out the truth of what's really going on in the magical land where fairy tales began.

Critique: Blending elements of fairytale storybooks and the modern-day world, Ella: A Stepmum's Tale is written with vivacious charm and a witty sense of humour. Is the "wicked stepmother" really all that wicked? And if not, then what other nursery rhyme parables should be taken with a grain of salt, or even a whole salt shaker? Ella: A Stepmum's Tale is uniquely charming and highly recommended. It should be noted for personal reading lists that Ella: A Stepmum's tale is also available in a Kindle edition (\$3.99).

Mary Cowper
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'[Earth's Guardians: A Life Redrawn](#)' is an amusing sci-fi with a new plot twist around every corner that unfolds a mystery embodied powerfully in the lives of two teenagers -Hannah and Taylor.

An amusing school holiday exercise turns into relentless enigma for Hannah and Taylor after their classmate Karly goes missing mysteriously in the game of treasure hunter. Series of thrilling and creepy events line up one after another, after the disappearance of Karly, that lead to surprising choices Hannah and Taylor have to make.

Superbly crafted with well thought out diction and immaculate style of narration author J. L. Higgs kept everything fresh and fluid as the plot continued to unfold with a lot of different characters with diverse personality. '[Earth's Guardians: A Life Redrawn](#)' showcases strong, independent lead characters with believable friendship whose camaraderie proved to be a necessary reprieve from the building up of stark terror and tension at times.

Author J. L Higgs novel is definitely the sort of a book which can captivate its readers for hours at stretch with all the correct elements that will entertain, frighten and engross fans of the genre. A solid piece of eloquent, thrilling science fiction, '[Earth's Guardians: A Life Redrawn](#)' is **highly recommended**.

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Legendary fairy tale takes an abrupt dimension when celebrity TV reporter Sylvia Stark decides to cover the fascinating, epitomic fable of Cinderella through Ella's stepmother Charlotte Johansson Baker. Inconceivable and brutal, this one sided account from evil stepmum is all set to destroy Cinderella's society image of female perfection leading Sylvia and her cameraman to battle the adversities as unpredictability unfolds revealing unexplored secrets of the fairy land tales.

'Ella: A Stepnum's Tale' is a multilayered modern day parable that is sure to elicit giggles through its snappy dialogue and cast of diverse, well developed characters. Author J. L. Higgs demonstrates the power of evocative prose and immaculate style of narration through her immersive imagination. This heartfelt brilliant piece of fantasy is delightful in style and original in concept that suggests author J. L. Higgs is a gifted writer with consistency, who is well aware of her capabilities of distilling her thoughts into a remarkable read that is sure to make an excellent choice for a relaxing vacation. A powerful, captivating page turner 'Ella: A Stepnum's Tale' will make readers wince, smile and sympathize for author's characters. **Highly recommended**

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