

The Impossible Secret of Lillian Velvet

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Age: 8 + **Genre:** Fiction - Fantasy



This is the book for you if you like ...

- Fun and magical quests with cryptic clues.
- Detailed fantasy world building.
- Rooting for lovable but unlikely heroines.
- Exploring the theme of self-worth.
- Modern whimsical stories with an *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* vibe.
- *Nevermoor* by Jessica Townsend.
- *The Train to Impossible Places* by P.G Bell.



Summary: Lillian Velvet lives a quiet lonely life until on her tenth birthday her mean grandmother gives her a pickle jar full of golden coins. Incredibly, the coins whisk Lillian away into different places and times, and she meets: the members of a lively family each in mortal danger; a boy with a skateboard; a girl who can Whisper and a small boy who desperately needs saving. As a web of dark magic closes all around them, can Lillian find a way to help her new friends? And, more importantly, what will happen if she fails?
An exciting, warm and humorous tale in the Kingdom and Empires world featuring many beloved characters from previous books in the Bronte Mettlestone series.

Extract: *'And what is this world?' I asked.*

'It's called the Kingdoms and Empires. It's like our world, only more old-fashioned. Plus they have magic. The main thing to remember is that Shadow Mages are good and Spellbinders can bind Shadow Magic. Genies are sort of wise, I guess, and exist outside everything.'

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