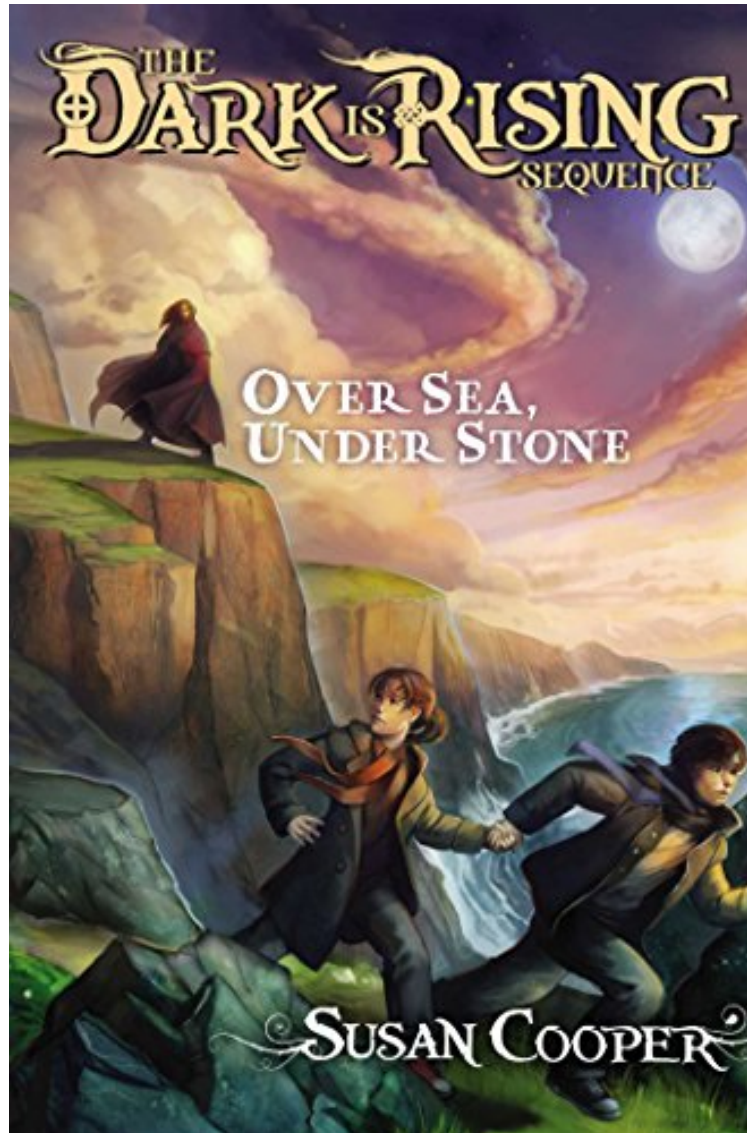


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Von Susan Cooper : Over Sea, Under Stone (The Dark Is Rising) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Over Sea, Under Stone (The Dark Is Rising):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An amazing novelVon Ein KundeSimon, Jane and Barney expected nothing more than a pleasant holiday when they arrived in Cornwall with their parents and their enigmatic Great-Uncle Merry. But then they find the map in the attic . . . All of a sudden, everybody seems very interested in them. The strange Mr and Miss Withers, their manservant Bill,

the dark-looking Mr Hastings. And above all of this, why is their Great-Uncle protecting them? What "danger" are they in? They are willing to try to help Great-Uncle Merry find the grail - but are they willing to sacrifice themselves . . .? This book is a wonderful introduction to a thrilling series. People are often quite hard on the book - especially if they've also read the second in the series, *The Dark is Rising*. But what people have to understand is that they are two completely different stories. This book is not essentially about the battle between the Light and the Dark, it is just about three children who must get the Grail. We must assume that Susan Cooper had no idea this was going to develop into a sequence, and therefore saw no need to add the elements of Magic which are seen in later books. This book whisks me away to Cornwall, and I found myself sharing the feelings of Simon, Jane and Barney all the way through. Ms. Cooper, you have done yourself proud with this series. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. THE SEARCH FOR THE PENDRAGON Von Plume45 This fascinating page-turner kicks off Cooper's excellent 5-part Fantasy series called *THE DARK IS RISING*. Although residing in the USA, the author reveals her fondness for Coastal Britain, as she whisks her protagonists on incredible journeys of self-discovery, historical treasure hunts and even Time Travel itself. In this signature book, the three Drew children are vacationing in Cornwall, when they accidentally discover an ancient map. Now this manuscript in Latin and a mysterious, runic, language is fiercely sought after by two sides in a timeless battle, waged over the centuries. The fraying document sets in motion a bizarre series of events, which test both the children's moral courage, physical stamina, spunk and smarts. Fortunately their Great Uncle Merry--learned and leonine--is on hand to interpret their find and guide them on Their unexpected Quest: To locate the sacred, powerful Grail (Chalice) prized in Camelot--long coveted by adherents of both the Light (like Uncle Merry) and the Dark (such as half the people they meet)! The kids, left free to snoop about the landscape and conjecture the location of several intermediary clues, gradually learn not to trust anyone. Clues which have been awaiting them (or some clever scholar) since Celtic times! Alas, their beloved uncle is not always present to offer them the cloak of his protection--scholarly and otherwise. For the Dark is gathering its forces around them, sensing that the children are gaining ground on the Grail. These human agents of evil and chaos are grimly determined to possess it for their own ruthless purposes and Nothing will stand in their way--least of all 3 school kids on summer holiday. It's the immortal power struggle between Good and Evil, with the kids as unsuspecting pawns of greater forces than they can imagine. Which side will gain the upper hand and for how long? Expect gripping suspense and surprise hints of future battles in this fabulous book for Fantasy lovers of all ages. You will meet some of these characters in her other books; they may even make you want to visit and explore the rugged Cornish or Welsh coastlines for yourself. This book is a treat you owe yourself! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. This series is...Wow!! Von Ein Kunde This book is so exciting, after you read it you will be looking back over your shoulder expecting a tall guy in black coming after you because you know too much about him. Hastings, as he's called appears in most of the other books in some form or another. The book begins in Cornwall, England, where three children find a strange parchment, and with the help of their Great-uncle Merry, try to find the treasure that it leads to without getting caught by the Dark. The treasure it leads to is a grail, one of the four things of power that the Light needs to stop the Dark before it takes over the world. This book has many high points in which you'll think that the Dark will win, like when Simon gets chased by Hastings on foot. Or when Barney gets kidnapped by the Withers (some others from the Dark) and is put under a spell by Hastings, and almost gives him the location of the grail. If you read the other books after this one then you will smile at the familiarity that you see. Read this book, everyone! You'll love it!!!

Kurzbeschreibung On holiday in Cornwall, the three Drew children discover an ancient map in the attic of the house that they are staying in. They know immediately that it is special. It is even more than that -- the key to finding a grail, a source of power to fight the forces of evil known as the Dark. And in searching for it themselves, the Drews put their very lives in peril. This is the first volume of Susan Cooper's brilliant and absorbing fantasy sequence known as *The Dark Is Rising*. From School Library Journal Gr 5-7-The charming beginning to Susan Cooper's series of five books, which comprise *The Dark Is Rising*, belie a series of sinister adventures. The Drew children Simon, Jane, and Barney find an old map in a hidden room while summering at the Grey House in Cornwall. Along with their Great-Uncle Merry, they become embroiled in a web of intrigue that surrounds an Arthurian legend. True to the original story (Harcourt, 1965), this audio version adds a dynamic vocal element from narrator, Alex Jennings. In the beginning the story seems a bit slow and tedious as the plot and setting are given their due, and the voices may be difficult to distinguish. After the first side of tape 1, they become more well defined. Jennings gives each child a distinct voice, yet keeps each connected to one another. Barney has the youthful vulnerability of the youngest sibling, Jane, the sensible and soft-spoken middle child, and Simon speaks with the assurance and bravado of the "older" brother. The rising tension created between the fight of good and evil gives strength and vitality to each character's voice. Listeners understand Mr. Hasting's loathing and fear of Great-Uncle Merry when hearing the deep tone and resonance of every utterance. Jennings' ability is outstanding as he slips in and out of the numerous voices with the rapid dialogue as it approaches the climax. His training and experience as a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company and the Royal

National Theatre give this story a vitality. This is an outstanding reading of a classic tale that all young listeners and adults will thoroughly enjoy. Tina Hudak, St. Bernard's School, Riverdale, MD Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc. Pressestimmen "Beautifully told...superbly written." -- "New York Times" on The Dark Is Rising Sequence