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This is it. My nightmares have finally come true.

Sam's deepest fears become real as his enemies grow more numerous and ever-more powerful.

Struggling to stay one step ahead, Sam must locate 11 more Dreamers and solve the next piece of the puzzle.

Can Sam and his allies unlock the secrets of an ancient journal to reveal their final destiny? Sam is far from home, with the fate of the entire world in his hands.

He must find the last 13. The race is on.

Eleven Details

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From Reader Review Eleven for online ebook

Emily Miller says

This one got a little stale, took a while to get through.

April Barber says

This was probably my favorite book of the series so far. The books are becoming more and more interesting as they progress. The characters become stronger, and you learn more and more about them. I like how you get to read about everyone, not missing any part of the story. I find it interesting that we get a new character, but we don't seem to lose any of the other characters. I really like Sam and Xavier and their interactions with each other.

There are still the issues with too many "so and so said" but this book seemed to have less, instead using different ways of expressing that.

I do like how the books have Sam and his friends traveling around the world.

Again, this book ends in a cliffhanger where you want to immediately pick up the next in the series. I can't wait to see where the next book takes us, and who we will meet.

Steven says

Great book very adventurous. Filled with action. can't wait to read the next in the series.

Sean Harding says

More happenings in book three, but they really bleed into each other, I guess it is one long book split into thirteen parts, but already it is becoming a bit repetitive at book three.

Jeremy says

I really enjoy reading this series but especially this book. This book was very engaging and I really enjoyed reading this book. In this book the main characters are always involved in the action. No matter which city or country they are in they are always fighting evil. This book always has a twist and you can never be sure what is going to happen next. Sam and Xavier (the main characters in this book) are always on another mission to find the missing pieces to the bhaka. I really enjoyed this book because you never know who the good guys are and who the bad guys are.

In this story there are lots of self-fulfilling prophecy's, these prophecy's are one of the reason why this book has a lot of fantastical elements. This story is about people dreaming the future and then taking part in missions to make these prophecy's come true. Each mission that Sam and his colleagues take part in is in order to find another piece of the bhaka, a gate made by da vinci that will lead to an ultimate treasure.

I wonder if Alex will come back and join the academy or choose to stay with his mum at the enterprise? I also wonder if Alex will get one of the piece's of the bhaka back from solaris? Is stella working for solaris?

BOOKSandCaffeine says

This series has a really interesting plot and ideas, I especially like how things fall into place like puzzle pieces.

While each book is rather short and always ends in a cliff hanger- making you NEED the next book, it's fast-paced and keeps you wanting more.

Naomi Campbell says

I am reading this series aloud to our preteen and teenage kiddos. So far I liked Book #2 the best, but now in book 3, we're really beginning to piece some of the story together, and yes, it leaves you hanging, so have book 4 handy!

TheCosyDragon says

This review has been crossposted from my blog at The Cosy Dragon . Please head there for more in-depth reviews by me, which appear on a timely schedule.

Sam is still racing to find the others in the Last Thirteen. Little does he know that he's already met some of them, and that some of them might already be in the hands of the enemy.

Sam comes face to face with Solaris again in this cliff-hanger. You know it's going to happen. I feel like none of these novels would be complete without a Solaris encounter.

It's an interesting concept that they can change the future by being aware of it. I've read a lot of books with interesting instances of time-travel/seeing the future, and what this can do to people, and this isn't particularly a new concept. It's treated well enough however.

I wonder also whether different people have the same dream, more often than just Sam, and his newly-rediscovered friend. I hope to see more of it in future books.

This novel fills out what they are actually looking for and adds an interesting touch of history. It's such a good thing they appear to have lots of money, because Sam has a serious case of jetting around the world! You'd think he's stick in one spot and get on with it.

I want to keep reading these! I'm not quite hooked, but this novel felt like it had more meat in it than the others, and I'd be really happy to see more of it happening.

Please excuse the image being out of place for my posts. It didn't like being taken on my phone, and then put in here. Hopefully these initial problems will be ironed out soon!

William says

Now this book got me thinking of RPG games. Once you get more stronger, so do the emeines. My mind just flew to China reading this.

Maria Carmo says

Book by book, the plot becomes more interesting and the Author reveals more... The characters acquire more definite traits and a subtle sense of humour lights up the darker parts. It is getting more fun to read these books...

Maria Carmo,

Lisbon, 18 June 2015.

OwenT. says

January 30

The Last Thirteen book #3

By James Phelen

This book is about 13 people that are trying to save the world with their dreams. Sam, Xavier, Gabrielle and Eva, So far they have found 3 of the last thirteen. Xavier the boy they found is part of the last thirteen. They are being chased by Solaris that will try anything to kill them. They get into a zoo and try to find the missing parts of the prophecy to save the world.

The main idea trying to get to the readers is to keep moving forward. I know this is the theme because when Xavier goes on without his dad he focused on trying to find the missing part of the prophecy. All of them also had to go with the flow and not look back. While Sam and Xavier were out looking for clues the others were doing other important things. Like when Sam was saying we have to go back, Xavier refused and said "move forward".

Kelly (Diva Booknerd) says

<http://www.divabooknerd.com/2014/03/e...>

The Last Thirteen is a fun, adventure series that's ideal for preteen readers. It follows the story of Sam, a boy

plucked from his science class and thrown into a world of reluctant superheroes, secret training facilities and a race of children known as The Dreamers. In the same vain in which the Twilight series brought mature young adult readers back to books, The Last Thirteen is perfect to reintroduce reading to middle grade, preteen boys. Although Ava's character seems to be more invested in Sam beyond their friendship, the series to date is age appropriate for target audience, no inappropriate language, mature themes or romance, which is sure to appeal to boys.

In each book, Sam interprets his true dream, which ultimately leads him to the next player in the Last Thirteen, a group of kids that are destined to help save the world. Each teen dreams the next piece of the puzzle that Sam must then reach before Solaris, the mysterious villain. The storyline and characters are simple, where most young adult readers may find the series a tad uneventful, but it's a quick little read that's perfect for lovers of Middle Grade and children's fiction.

Shaheen says

We continue our adventures with Sam and the rest of the Dreamers in *Eleven*, the third book in *The Last Thirteen* series. Sam is a Dreamer - he has true dreams and is prophesied to save the world from unimaginable horror with twelve other true dreamers, who are all 15-16 year old kids. The last book ended with a cliffhanger where Sam is surrounded by German Guardians who have turned traitor.

The German Guardians are dispatched quickly and easily, with Sam performing some physics-defying stunts on his scooter (seriously, the rules of physics are optional for this guy!), and we're soon off adventuring to exotic locations with Sam and his friend Xavier, who is one of the Last Thirteen. Xavier's had a dream which takes the duo to Berlin, where they easily fool adults into thinking that they hold PhDs, with Xavier posing as his own father, and steal a vital clue into the mysteries of the Last Thirteen.

I liked that the world has finally expanded, and a lot of the mysteries surrounding the Professor, the Enterprise and Xavier's father have been cleared up. It's also pretty cool to learn the two prevailing theories about what makes a Dreamer: nature vs. nurture. The importance of Da Vinci is interesting: I'm finding myself drawn in even as I sigh in exasperation at the *Da Vinci Code for middle-graders* vibe.

Plot elements are falling out rather conveniently in this story, which is perhaps understandable given that it's aimed at younger readers, but they still concern me. A little complexity wouldn't be unwelcome. The prevalence of dart guns also gives me pause (all the shooting that none of that messy blood and dying) because in a real race to save the world, people will be hurt. The real-world implications of the actions Sam and his friends take are never considered - where are the international condemnation and political power-plays?

I still find Alex's role in the story interesting, although it's not shaping up to go in the direction I'd predicted in the last book. I'm looking forward to see what impact he has in future books, and watching his relationship with his mother develop. Of all the kids in this series, only he and Xavier have positive relationships with their parents. Xavier has always struck me as important to the plot, and the development that he is Dreamer came as no surprise. His life has been more difficult than it seems at first glance, and I'd like to see that developed so that he doesn't just come across as an insanely rich and connected teenager with a tragic past.

On the other hand, Eva has quickly been reduced to an annoying character. She's mooning over Sam and getting irrationally angry at Gabriella, who is beautiful and famous and charismatic, just because Gabriella

has a crush on Sam too. Sam, who really hasn't looked at either of them with interest and is certainly not thinking about them while on his mission. I don't know why the boys get to have all the adventures and the girls sit around worrying about them and unnecessarily getting into trouble by making silly decisions, but I'm not enjoying it.

Overall, the world James Phelan has created is shaping up well, and although I can think there is room for improvement, I'm enjoying them too. This fast paced series about the power of dreams, ancient artefacts and a race against the clock will entertain younger readers. Pick up these books for your children, nieces and nephews, and other young relatives!

A copy of this book was provided by the publisher for review.
You can read more of my reviews at [Speculating on SpecFic](#).

Conan Tigard says

The Last Thirteen: 11 is another fun addition to the exciting series about teens that have true dreams about the future, and then are able to make changes to what they saw as a dream unfold into real life. At the beginning of this book, we only know who two of the last thirteen are: Sam and Gabriella. Who will be the next of the true dreamers to be found? Well, it was hinted in the last book and it comes to fruition in this book. Xavier Dark is the third of the last thirteen to be discovered. Xavier is a classmate of Sam from his school and he is also the son of Dr. Dark, Sam psychiatrist. Sam and Xavier were not exactly friends in school, but they are quickly becoming best buds as they fly around the world.

I was happy to find that Xavier was the latest last of the thirteen to be found. I was actually hoping this would be true while I was reading The Last Thirteen: 12. Most of this story takes place in Germany as Sam, Xavier, and Xavier's father, Dr. Dark, search for the missing gear. Enterprise is desperately seeking Sam and pulling out all the stops to nab him. Since Alex has joined Enterprise, the reader no longer knows if he can be trusted or if he really wants to help out Sam in his quest. Eva has been left behind at the Academy and ends up having a true dream about a campfire she sees out in the snow covered-mountainous forest. She makes a bad decision and decides to investigate the campfire on a snow mobile by herself. She should know better than going out into a harsh environment alone. It can get you killed. Solaris is hot on the trail of Sam too, and he has a mole inside Enterprise helping him track down the ever-elusive Sam and Xavier. Will Sam and Xavier be able to evade Enterprise and Solaris while searching for the missing gear?

Young readers are sure to be entertained by The Last Thirteen series. The books are packed with action, adventure, and a bit of mystery. I have read some reviews of this series and I see reviewers talking about the lack of character development and some other other things. Then I think to myself that, yes, this may be true to a certain extent. But, this is a book intended for eleven year olds and up and they don't require really getting to know the deep, driving feeling of a character. This is an action adventure series and what the young readers require is action, and plenty of it. If they wanted a boring, explore your feeling type of book, they wouldn't be buying this series to read.

I love action adventure books that read quickly and fill the reader's head with exciting chase scenes, daring escapes, and mind-boggling adventure that gets the old ticker pounding. All of these things are in this book. And sure, there may be some misunderstood feeling going on with some of the girls. Eva appears to be slightly jealous of Sam possible infatuation with Gabriella, but Sam isn't really paying attention to either of

them right now. He is busy trying to save the world by tracking down the last thirteen. Who has time for romance? No Sam!

Overall, The Last Thirteen: 11 is a great story that kept me flipping page late into the night and waking up early to get some good reading in before my day started. I really enjoy all of the characters in this series and cannot wait to see what happens next in The Last Thirteen: 10. If it is as exciting as the first three book have been, then I'm guaranteed to have a good time. I cannot wait!

I rated this book an 8 out of 10.

Brit McCarthy says

Third book into the series and I'm still intrigued where this is going. We got a little more detail in this one about the Professor, Jack and the Dreamers which was good - I actually like explanations for things like this! I want to understand why things are the way they are but in these books things have happened so quickly there hasn't been time for it. Sam locates another of the Last 13 - who has been there almost all along. I thought this may be a little too easy until I considered the "nature vs. nurture" argument that is discussed in the book and figured that in the circumstances, it does make sense.

Alex is starting to get on my nerves, and Eva seems to be in a bit of a mood because she's being told to stay put. Eva, there is a reason you don't go out climbing mountains by yourself in the middle of the night! *Sigh*. I hate stupid characters and as we now have the books from both of their perspectives now as well as Sam's I hope it improves!

The only other thing is I don't think any of the characters are emotionally mature enough for what they're doing, which definitely shows. I only hope their guidance under the Professor, Lora and Dr. Dark keeps them on the right track.
