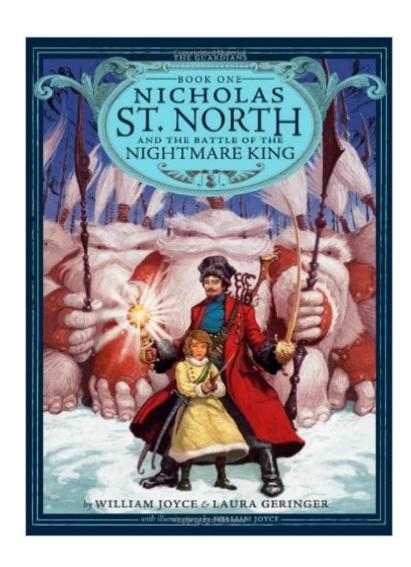
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Nicholas St. North And The Battle Of The Nightmare King (The Guardians)





Synopsis

Don't miss The Rise of the Guardians, soon to be a major motion picture in theaters November 2012.Before SANTA was SANTA, he was North, Nicholas St. Northâ "a daredevil swordsman whose prowess with double scimitars was legendary. Like any swashbuckling young warrior, North seeks treasure and adventure, leading him to the fiercely guarded village of Santoff Claussen, said to be home to the greatest treasure in all the East, and to an even greater wizard, Ombric Shalazar. But when North arrives, legends of riches have given way to terrors of epic proportions! North must decide whether to seek his fortuneâ |or save the village.When our rebellious hero gets sucked into the chaos (literally), the fight becomes very personal. The Nightmare King and his evil Fearlings are ruling the night, owning the shadows, and sending waves of fear through all of Santoff Clausen. For North, this is a battle worth fighting...and, heâ ™s not alone. There are five other Guardians out there. He only has to find them in time.

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******"Helping a legend like William Joyce bring his vision to life is a dream come true ... The Guardians of Childhood will delight the imaginations of children and their parents for generations to come." --Jon Anderson, Publisher*This fantasy novel for younger readers is a wonderful escapade

into C. S. Lewis's credible magical world, that revived in my memory "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe". This admirable continuation of the story initiated in "The Man in the Moon" invites William Joyce to join the Legendary troubadours Hans Christian Andersen, Peter Pan's Barrie, and Harry Potter's Rowling, the most friendly story tellers children and their parents have ever got. The Guardians of Childhood series tells the formative stories of childhood legends including Santa Claus, the Tooth Fairy, and the Easter Bunny. Talented author and artist William Joyce reveals the story behind childhood icons as Santa in Nicholas St. North, following 'The Man in the Moon', in his new series Guardians of Childhood. Set out to invade the dreams of magical Earth's children, an evil nightmare Lord Pitch, escapes his ancient bonds. Old wizard Ombric stands in his way. His former apprentice Nicholas St. North, their mechanical djinni and the girl Katherine, join in building the dramatic events, along side with a gang of Himalayan lamas, fighting trees, domesticated bears, and armed Yetis, in a milieu of Russian folklore. The story is narrated in good English, marked by virtues and fancy, in an delightful setting. The first chapter book, presented to 'young rascal' Jack Joyce and his sister Mary is co-authored by their dad, William Joyce and Laura Geringer, and beautifully illustrated by Joyce: "North knew exactly what his first experiment would be.

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