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Alison, Heather, Keisha, and Megan find a golden key that turns out to unlock the attic in a neighbor's old Victorian house. Once inside, Keisha spots a trunk filled with wonderful costumes--ball gowns, a ballet tutu, and many, many more.

It's not long before the best friends find beautiful dresses that seem meant for them. And when they stand together in front of the old-fashioned mirror, they suddenly find themselves on an adventure in the past!

At first they don't know what's happened, or how to help the young girl whose Christmas party seems ruined. Why does she look so familiar? And how will they ever get back home? The answers they discover are the beginnings of the Magic Attic Club!

The Secret of the Attic Details

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Alicia Williams says

The adventures of the Magic Attic Club start here when Ellie Goodwin moves back to her family home. Ellie invites the four neighborhood girls over to explore her attic, knowing they'll discover the secrets held by its tall gilt-edged mirror. The girls' first adventure is back to that same house when Ellie is a young girl recovering from an ice-skating accident in 1930. My favorite part was the implication that the girls' mothers had all played in the attic together and knew its secrets.

Kaila says

I was obsessed with American Girl dolls (the historical ones) when I was little. This was a competitor with the exact same idea - dolls with tie in novels, where you could read the book then buy the outfit. Having already bought the redheaded American Girl doll, I couldn't justify buying the redhead from this world too. I regretted that decision immediately. The redhead here, Megan, was the bookworm. I chose Alison, the blonde, who was the sporty tomboy. Which has just...never been me.

Anyway, this book is the introduction to the whole world and doll line. I loved the idea when I was 12 but middle reader books have improved IMMENSELY since then and this was almost unreadable. On the other hand, it was like 70 pages long with size 14 font and only took me about 30 minutes to read. It was nice to be reminded of my adolescence but no one would like this book without the tie in merchandise, which no longer exists except on Ebay.

Nicole Modugno says

My sister and I were obsessed with these books when we were younger and even labeled ourselves as the characters. I was Heather, my sister was alison, and our friend was keisha. My dad talked bout building us our own club house but it never happened.

Blue Rose says

It may be a slightly dated story, but it's still a great introduction to science fantasy for kids, mostly girls.

Rebekah says

Wow did I read a lot of these. I guess I really liked how they went on adventures and the fact that each one of them had a certain color they also wore. lol. Heather was my favorite I think, shes the one I own anyway. I really liked Allison's adventures too.

Morgen says

Remember those books you read as a child and said, "I wish that would happen to me!". This is it.

Funny thing is, it actually did happen for me, in a way. My imagination was so sparked and fed by this series that my own adventures took new life. Even now, wearing costumes, dressing up, and acting still makes me feel transported to some magical other-place.

Karen says

When I was in elementary school, I LOVED these books (the Magic Attic Club)! Even then they were quick reads, but they were able to transport you to a different time and place. While these books were light and fun, they were also somewhat education- they taught of different cultures in the past while comparing it to the "modern" world.

Geeker126 says

Such a blast from the past. I loved these books when I was growing up, and re-reading through them now for memories is still enjoyable. These are great books to share with the kids. The concept is along the lines of the Magic Treehouse books.

Allie says

Another novel I read as kid that I stumbled upon on Goodreads! I don't remember these being particularly good, just that they were sort of American Girl read-alikes.

Wealhtheow says

These books accompanied knock-offs of the popular American Girl Dolls. American Girl Doll books are nothing special, but at least they provide a basic grounding in history--MAC books are just derivative, paint-by-the-numbers insipid fantasy. The girls are all princesses and ballerinas...I think one is an ice skater. Ugh.

Kimberly Larreta says

This book was about 4 girls who were going to go sledding in the hills. While they were walking they found a key that belonged to a new neighbor. When they went to give the key back the neighbor(Ellie) invited them to her attic. While the girls were in the attic they found a box full of nice clothes and shoes and other

costumes. They had a cool adventure. I would recommend this book to ppl who like books about secret adventures.

Sarah Hannah says

Rereading this series is going to be the most fun ever.

Carol Hardesty says

Since this is the first book in the series, it's more of an introduction than an adventure. All the characters are set, the rules are laid down, etc. Even though the series itself is nonlinear, I would definitely recommend reading "The Secret of the Attic" first, just because it's the very beginning.

Marnie says

This is a really good series for girls. It has 4 girls who are all different from each other who become friends through the Magic Attic, where they dress up in different outfits & when they look in the mirror they travel to another place & time. It has really good pictures (it kind of reminds me of the American Girl series) & deals with issues important in real life to girls this age, & they always learn a lesson on their trips through the Magic Attic.

Riley says

I just got done reading a good book called "The Secret of the Attic," it was good. "The Secret of the Attic" was written by Sheri Cooper Sinykin. it takes place in Kansas close to Christmas time so there is a lot of snow on the ground and houses and it is really cold outside too. One day four girls named Alison, Heather, Keisha, and Megan were playing outside in the snow when they find a golden key outside buried in the snow. The key the girls found ended up to be the key to the attic of a neighbor's old house. In the attic the girls found a trunk full of many different beautiful outfits. Eventually the girls find the dresses that fit them so they try them on. After the girls put on the dresses they stand together in front of a mirror and find all of them stuck in the past. They meet some new people and make some new friends but how will they get back home? The story brings the reader in when they find the key buried in the snow. The book gets interesting when they find themselves stuck in the past giving the book the excitement it needs. The book is like life today because some people get lost or stuck and if you and your friends stick together you can get through anything. My opinion of the book is it's really fun if you understand it and some points are cool as well. Also the book is an adventure or a quest and that is amazing in some ways. The grade i give the book is a 7/10 because it is not awesome but it is a nice, fun book to read. You should really read it!
