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## Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Grade 4-6—The sequel to *How to Train Your Dragon* (Little, Brown, 2004) continues the adventures of the son of Stoick the Vast and future leader of the Hairy Hooligan Viking tribe. Although the skinny, freckled Hiccup has more brains than the rest of the Hairy Hooligans put together, he has a hard time garnering respect from anyone, least of all his arch-rival, Snotlout. It doesn't help that Hiccup's dragon, Toothless, is predisposed to hypochondria and cowardice. During a pirate-training session, they meet up with charming "Alvin the Poor-But-Honest-Farmer," who is keen to help them discover the legendary treasure of Grimbeard the Ghastly. After a series of hair-raising, humorous escapades on the high seas, a deadly island, and an undersea cavern, Hiccup learns some surprising things about his previously undervalued abilities. The usual motifs of deceptive appearances, last-minute escapes, and the merits of inner worth are addressed with humor that is accessible to both reluctant and avid readers. Cheeky drawings in the style of grade-school doodles add to the general appeal of the tale.—*Farida S. Dowler, Mercer Island Library, WA*  
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This is a maniacally crazy story liberally spattered with appropriately riotous illustrations, lists and maps  
Books For Keeps It's a wonderfully vibrant story, illustrated with the author's hilarious drawings, and told with a delightfully gobby sense of humour  
Books Quarterly (Waterstones) Cowell is a new star in children's fiction  
The Times Great jokes and superb characters will appeal to boys and girls alike  
With Kids Very funny indeed  
Maidenhead Advertiser Witty writing and funny drawings and notes ensure that this clever Viking story keeps its readers laughing  
Junior Education CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE WEEK: 'This book is great fun and has a Blackadderish sense of humour ... full of the sort of jokes that will make schoolboys snigger.'  
Nicolette Jones, The Sunday Times A wonderfully wittily written and illustrated story.  
Waterstones Quarterly Magazine A wonderful adventure  
The School Librarian How to Train Your Dragon is a delightful narrative caper... It offers a challenging read to 11-year-olds, and rewards reading aloud, especially for those who relish an element of theatre at story time.  
Lindsey Fraser, Sunday Herald, Glasgow [Cressida Cowell] puts a contemporary spin on the old brains over brawn moral and brings the story to a climax with a thrilling dragon duel. Lots for lots of different readers to enjoy.  
Books for Keeps ... raucous and slapstick... liberally illustrated with [Cressida Cowell's] riotous drawings, notes and maps.  
The Financial Times Bulging with good jokes, funny drawings and dramatic scenes, it is absolutely wonderful.  
Independent on Sunday An excellent sequel to *How to Train Your Dragon*, this highly amusing adventure story with a dash of toilet humour is perfect reading for boys and girls alike aged 8-12.  
Publishing News Full of madcap action, to-the-death battles and hysterical Viking tomfoolery  
Cowell is a new star in children's fiction  
The Times extraordinary, funny and cool  
Tom Dillon, Mill Lane Primary School good holiday reading for any young adventurer  
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The Times 'If you haven't discovered Hiccup yet, you're missing out on one of the greatest inventions of modern children's literature.'  
Julia Eccleshare, Guardian children's editor

## About the Author

Cressida Cowell is the good-friend and confidante of Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III, Viking warrior and hero of *The Heroic Misadventures*. When she is not visiting with Hiccup to document his latest memoir, she lives in the UK. She is also the author of *The Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown*, *What Shall We Do With the Boo Hoo Baby?* and numerous other picture books.

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