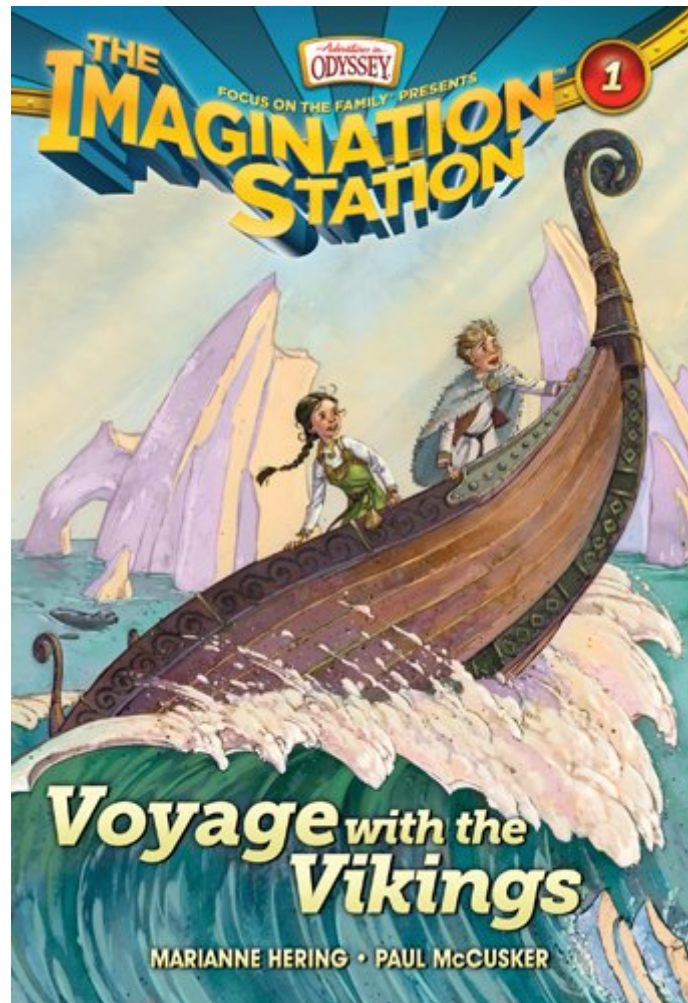




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Synopsis

While visiting Mr. Whittaker at Whit's Soda Shoppe, Beth and Patrick find a mysterious letter in the Imagination Station requesting a Viking sunstone. The letter is old and says that someone named Albert will be imprisoned if the sunstone isn't found. Mr. Whittaker sends cousins Patrick and Beth to Greenland circa 1000. On their quest for the sunstone, the cousins meet Vikings Erik the Red and Leif Eriksson and find the sunstone as they join Leif on his first voyage to North America. But the adventure is just beginning, for when they return to Mr. Whittaker's workshop with the sunstone, there is another note waiting for them, requesting a silver goblet. Join Patrick and Beth as they continue their travel to various lands and time in the Imagination Station book series.

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Customer Reviews

I bought this book for the 3rd-5th grade students in my special education resource classroom. This book was a perfect fit for my students. It kept their attention and they also learned a lot about the Vikings at the same time. These books are along the lines of The Magic Treehouse series of books,

however, they are easier to read (much better for my struggling readers). My students loved this book so much they have started reading ahead to see what comes next. That's a big deal for struggling readers! Be aware public school teachers!! There is a some (very little) talk of God and Christianity in this book. It is not preachy at all, though. If your school district or students' parents would object to even a tiny amount of religious content, you may want to rethink purchasing this book.

It all began on a Monday at Whit's End, an ice cream shop with countless themed rooms. It was like a children's museum of dreams complete with the Imagination Station and Mr. Wittaker, the classic icon of a brainy scientist. Mr. Wittaker needs Beth and Patrick to find a Viking Sunstone, and since the Imagination Station works for them and not him, he sends them back to the Viking days, where they meet none other than Erik the Red and his son Leif. It's not the most pleasant of experiences for Beth and Patrick being around Erik. He's a surly old man who is, frankly, a bully. They are terrified of him, but they really need the Sunstone. They wager Patrick's silver fur cape for Erik's sword in a game of chess and must get back to the Imagination Station and join Leif for his first journey to North America. Patrick shows compassion to Erik in a moment when he needs it the most, and Beth uses her wisdom and wit to make on-the-fly decisions in the face of Erik's wake. Things don't quite go according to plan, and Erik the Red seems even scarier than before. Beth and Patrick have to figure out the best course of action to get back home.

My children are just starting out their reading journey. I want them to have fun, but also learn. Here's a book that accomplishes both! History doesn't have to be a dry boring subject full of memorizing mind numbing dates. The people throughout history were actually quite interesting. This story tells of Erik the Red and Lief Erikson, the tenth century Viking explorers and settlers of Greenland. I appreciate the historical accuracy of this book, mixed in with the fictional plot of two modern day young adventurers. I'm grateful for this fun educational resource that I can read aloud to my kids or they can read by themselves.

This was our first Adventures in Odyssey Imagination Station book and we absolutely loved it! In this book we were introduced to Beth and Patrick who travel back in time via the Imagination Station to the time of the Vikings. This book is actually written for young readers and I look forward to Elijah possibly reading this book by himself next year. I read this book aloud.

We're officially homeschooling Grasshopper(5, almost 6) now, and I'm looking for gentle ways to add history lessons into his days. (We're mainly using History Stories for Children, as a Charlotte Mason recommendation, but I'd like to teach/learn about other people/places/time periods, too.) I've read one of the books in the Imagination Station series in the past, and I thought I remembered it having a little history lesson intertwined in the story. Since I had access to the first 3 books, and they count for the Summer Reading Program, I decided to test them out, and see if it looked like something Grasshopper could handle. I'm actually pretty thrilled that I think he will enjoy them now. They are full of action and there is a little mini lesson in history. Really, it just touches on the person/place, but I think it will make a wonderful introduction for a deeper study. As you would guess, in Voyage of the Vikings, we are transported through time to Greenland, and meet Erik the Red and Leif Eriksson. This is a very short read for young readers, so there isn't really anything touched on in depth, but again, it's a nice introduction to the world of Vikings. Overall, I'm excited to try these out with Grasshopper!

What a great series! My boys look forward to each new release! Nothing inappropriate but a great alternative to Magic Treehouse series AND they give great historical fiction storylines!

I have always love the imagination station radio show and this is a great book for young readers. Easy to read (even my 4 year old can get a lot of the words) and has all the good morals of the original radio show.

This series is perhaps one of the BEST series my boys have ever had. My 10 year old started these when they first came out and is currently WAITING for #16 to come out. My 3rd grader (8 and dyslexic) just finished reading this book and enjoyed it from beginning to end. We read it together and he would always say after every chapter end... "oooooh another cliff hanger, I can't wait to read the next chapter to you!" I love that it incorporates history right into the story, this gives me opportunities to discuss different topics with my boys!

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