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Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker.

Master and apprentice.

Chosen by fate. Destined for conflict.

When Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker are sent to the Galactic Games, they are meant to be keepers of the peace. Then they discover an illegal event that Anakin knows all too well: Podracing. Even though Obi-Wan forbids it, Anakin cannot resist the thrill of the race—and the chance to face off against his childhood rival, the loathsome Sebulba.

As a Jedi, Anakin is supposed to let go of his past. But his past will not let go of him.

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Ursula Johnson says

A Podracing Challenge for Anakin Revisited

This is another great entry in the Jedi Quest series. Jude Watson has crafted another exciting story filled with thrills, action and lessons to be learned. Both master and padawan learn that all is not what they assumed as three Jedi teams are called to aid security at a galactic games tournament. Anakin meets foes from his past and must confront his fears and anger. Author Jude Watson is gifted at telling a compelling story in addition to giving us insight into the developing relationship between Anakin and Obi-Wan. A very action packed story that has a realistic ending, not necessarily a happy one.

Brendan Butterworth says

Though a Jedi supposedly does not care for adventure and excitement, you simply can't keep young Anakin Skywalker away from Podracing. When Obi-Wan Kenobi and his gifted Padawan are dispatched to the Galactic Games on a peacekeeping mission, an illegal Podracing competition catches Anakin's eager eye. As a Jedi Padawan, Anakin is supposed to abandon his past life in service to the Force, but his racing days and old rivalries return at high speed. Anakin squares off against Hekula, son of Sebulba, who has inherited his father's worst traits.

I would recomend this book to all of my friends and all people that love star wars. I would give this book five stars because I love the pod racing and the action also star wars in general.

Alexis says

7: Fun kenobi and anakin story.

Shadowdenizen says

I didn't dislike this book.

But, for me it was certainly the weakest entry in the "Jedi Quest" series thus far. (Podracing just isn't my thing in the SW universe, I guess?)

Still inherently readable, and a few cool moments, but otherwise, not much to speak of here. On to the next volume!

Jurgen says

Great story with surprising ending.

Julie says

1. I dove into this series not really realizing I should have read the Jedi Apprentice series first (about Obi-Wan's Padawan years).
 2. I enjoy this series. The author spends a lot of time telling us how both Anakin and Obi-Wan are feeling about things, so you can really understand how their relationship is growing (or not) and you can already SEE how Anakin's preconceived notions interfere with his ability to fully submit to Jedi principles. But Obi-Wan often doesn't help things by clamming up.
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Angela says

Suitable for children aged 8+ and those who have seen the films. Obi wan and Anakin are sent to guard the galaxy version of the Olympic Games. There's corruption a foot, and an illegal Podrace. Anakin meets up with some old podracing rivals and there is a really good action sequence. This is a fast paced story, and has that unputdownable quality. A very good read.

Lisa says

I know this is a children's book but it's kind of a train wreck from the start. Watson's previous young readers books have mostly been pretty good but this one has almost no redeeming qualities. The plot of fixing the galactic games is too complicated. Coincidences are just too convenient. It's just not good.

Zuzana says

I didn't like podracing in the movie and I didn't like it in this book. It's just boring and pointless.

Maria says

Good read

A good series and this book was a good story. Not a typical scenario for Star Wars, but a fun time anyway.

T.J. Telfer says

Not terrible. It is pretty "cut and paste" in terms of plot and story. You probably won't hate it, but, unless you are 7 years old (maybe even then), you'll see every plot point coming.

Jerry says

A better-than-usual *Jedi Quest* volume featuring an old enemy of Anakin's. Fans of the series so far should read this as soon as possible.

Christian Smith says

Story: 7/10

"Not all missions end well...not all succeed."

Morgan says

The Star Wars version of the Olympics, podracing, illegal gambling, corrupt politicians, quite an interesting book. I'd forgotten Didi, Astri, and Bog were in this one. I don't know how, they're rather central to the plot. I guess I just focused more on their part in Last of the Jedi. As always, I don't agree with everything in Star Wars, but there was a lot of good in the things Anakin learned in not letting past grievances cloud his judgement. He didn't exactly make the right decisions, but the point is to learn from mistakes. I have to mention how I love Obi-Wan's total ignorance about famous athlete Maxo Vista. That would totally be me. And I'm finding that I agree with Ferus's skepticism towards Anakin. Of course, I know what happens to him later...

Eric Sullenberger says

Possible Spoiler Alert: I am going to attempt to review each of four *Jedi Quest* books that were turned into audiobooks together at the beginning of the review. I listened to them all in a row and there is little distinction between them in my mind and so I may, without intending to do so, give details away. I believe that the audio productions were all unabridged, but it is possible that they were abridged and there are parts of the story I am unfamiliar with. Following this paragraph is my review of the series, before I touch on my review of the individual book in the following paragraph. At the end there is a link to the other books in the series that I listened to and reviewed [they all have this and the following paragraph in common, before reviewing the book in the final paragraph].

My complaint about this, and most novels in the prequel/Rise of the Empire era, is that Anakin is too evil. I understand that in a young adult/children's novel that things need to be more black and white [although I do think that many children can handle more complexity that we give them credit for], but still over and over we see Anakin losing his temper or giving into fear and dabbling in the Dark Side. Also, almost constantly, Anakin and Obi-Wan are butting heads here. After recently re-watching the movies there maybe isn't as much camaraderie portrayed as I thought, but still there is a friendship of mutual respect, if not a father-son or even brother-brother relationship between the two. One of my favorite things about all of the prequels is Obi-Wan's sense of humor mixed with the seriousness with which he takes his duties- his lighthearted smile and quick wit are enjoyable. Frequently, he and Anakin trade jokes and tease or even harass each other. I

love this, but over and over again in these books and the others around it there is nothing but tension shown and we don't get the chance to see the close relationship developing. Beyond that I don't have a lot of complaints. Too many of Anakin's peers, and the Jedi in general, are human rather than alien and his age seems to be in flux a little bit- at times Anakin is too mature and at times he is too immature. These books came out after Episode II and so they are written as prequels to that rather than as sequels to the young Anakin of Episode I and Rouge Planet.

On to my review of this book: This book has some nice tie-ins to Episode I. As can be seen from the cover, Anakin does a podrace again and someone else (view spoiler) is using his old podracer. The tension and Anakin's altruism are great here and even though he butts-heads with Obi-Wan too much, the reason is Anakin's big heart, which is so similar to Qui-Gon's approach and Obi-Wan's old hesitance with that. Also, different than the first book in this series (view spoiler). I do wish that the book had been able to spend more time focusing on the Galactic Games [essentially our Olympics] than it did, but overall it was a good story and the second best of the audiobooks in this series.

Check out all my reviews of the audiobooks in this series:

Also shows, Junior Novelization of Attack of the Clones [not reviewed]

1. *The Way of the Apprentice*,
 2. *The Trail of the Jedi*,
 3. *The Dangerous Games*,
 4. *The Master of Disguise*, or
- read my review of the *Jedi Quest* series as a whole.
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