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Hedeby, A.D. 965: The Vikings under the leadership of Jarl Erik repeatedly find themselves under attack by strange beings. Is it really trolls who are responsible for these attacks? The Time Detectives make an incredible discovery.

- Authentic historical setting
- Glossary with important terms typical of the time period
- Appendix with historical facts
- So far the series has sold more than one million copies

ABOUT THE SERIES

An exciting crime story takes readers on a trip into the distant past. The stories in this series are based on an intriguing event in history or an authentic historical criminal case. The main characters are Julian and his two friends Kim and Leon, as well as the cat Kija, who has been traveling to the past with them since their very first time travel adventure in ancient Egypt. Kija has accompanied the three friends from one adventure to the next ever since, even helping with their investigations. All three of the kids have a great interest in history, which is why they return to the old monastic library of Siebenthann again and again. This library is not only a great resource for their search for new information about their favorite subject (history), it also contains a mysterious room called the Tempus. In it, time lives. There are thousands of doors with years inscribed on them, and when Julian, Kim and Leon pass through one of them, they travel to that place and time. Once arrived in the past, the three friends find themselves dressed in the style of the era and can understand the language spoken around them. Their time travels last only a few seconds in "real time", even if the historical adventure lasts much longer. Their absence isn't noticed in the present.

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Each book includes an afterword discussing which aspects of the story are authentic, whether the case has actually been solved or summarizing the current status of scholarly research. There is also a glossary at the end of each book with important terms pertaining to the time period.

CONTENT

The Time Detectives travel to the Viking town of Hedeby in A.D. 965. Upon their arrival, they meet Leif who gives them work and shelter. Leif's brother is Jarl Erik, who has come into possession of Odin's Sword, which is said to have magical powers. Jarl Erik's followers expect to gain great power through this sword; but Arnora the prophetess warns them of the weapon's evil powers. The time detectives learn that Leif's other brothers, Raven and Gunbjörn, have been attacked by trolls. When Erik sets sail to do some trading, the Time Detectives accompany him. They travel the same route Raven and Gunbjörn traveled, and like them, they are attacked. The children escape and make it back to Hedeby, convinced that the attackers were not trolls, but humans in disguise. They set out to find out who they are, but it won't be easy ...

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