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Children's Book: THE SECRET OF THE SACRED SCARAB

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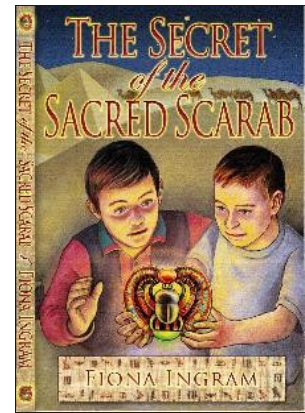
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Genre: Fiction, adventure, 172 pages (includes map and graphics).

Age group: 10-14

Description: A thrilling adventure for two young boys, whose fun trip to Egypt turns into a dangerously exciting quest to uncover an ancient and mysterious secret.

Book Synopsis: A 5000-year-old mystery comes to life when a scruffy peddler gives Adam and Justin Sinclair an old Egyptian scarab on their very first day in Egypt. Only when the evil Dr. Faisal Khalid shows a particular interest in the cousins and their scarab, do the boys realise they are in terrible danger. Dr. Khalid wants the relic at all costs. Justin and Adam embark upon the adventure of a lifetime, taking them down the Nile and across the harsh desert in their search for the legendary tomb of the Scarab King, an ancient Egyptian ruler. They are plunged into a whirlpool of hazardous and mysterious events when Dr. Khalid kidnaps them. They survive terrifying dangers in a hostile environment (such as a giant cobra, as well as sinking sand), pursued by enemies in their quest to solve the secret of the sacred scarab. They must translate the hieroglyphic clues on the underside of the scarab, as well as rescue the missing archaeologist James Kinnaird, and their friend, the Egyptologist Ebrahim Faza, before time runs out. They must also learn more about the ancient Seven Stones of Power and the mysterious Shemsu-Hor. With just their wits, courage, and each other, the boys manage to survive ... only to find that the end of one journey is the beginning of another!



Local readers can purchase *The Secret of the Sacred Scarab* on www.secretofthesacredscarab.com where Book Purchase sites are listed. Young explorers will enjoy an interactive journey through Egypt, following Justin and Adam's exciting adventure. Readers can browse the first chapter of the book on the website. Those who survive the journey and manage to translate the Curse of Thoth will be able to read the first chapter in Adam and Justin's next adventure—*The Search for the Stone of Excalibur*—as they hunt for the Scroll of the Ancients. Win a book for your school or local library by entering our competition. Posters and bookmarks are also available as free downloads.

About the Author: Fiona Ingram (B.A., Hons. (Natal), M.A., (Wits)) was born and educated in South Africa, and has worked as a full-time journalist and magazine editor. Her interest in ancient history, mystery, and legends, and her enjoyment of travel has resulted in *The Secret of the Sacred Scarab*, the first in her exciting children's adventure series—*Chronicles of the Stone*.

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