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"You're The Star! 40 Thrilling Endings!"

"Will You Become Trapped In Time" ?

You are hiking in Snake Canyon when you find yourself lost in the strange, dimly lit Cave of Time.

Gradually you can make out two passageways. One curves downward to the right; the other leads upward to the left. It occurs to you that the one leading down may go to the past and the one leading up may go to the future. Which way will you choose?

If you take the left branch, turn to page 20. If you take the right branch, turn to page 61. If you walk outside the cave, turn to page 21. Be careful! In the Cave of Time you might meet up with a hungry Tyrannosaurus Rex, or be lured aboard an alien spaceship!

What happens next in the story? It all depends on the choices you make. How does the story end? Only you can find out! And the best part is that you can keep reading and rereading until you've had not one but many incredibly daring experiences!

The Cave of Time Details

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Josiah says

This was the first book published in the Choose Your Own Adventure series, and I love it now as much as when I first had it read to me. An atmosphere of mystery and suspense is maintained throughout. It is a treat to go through this book again and again; the fact that it contains more decisions than most Choose Your Own Adventure books boosts its readability. *The Cave of Time* is an exciting, original story.

Guguk says

Ini bacanya mungkin ga se-menyenangkan Rahasia Rumah Terkutuk, tapi tetap seru!

Menjelajah gua dan harus milih berbagai pilihan yang kayaknya ga berbahaya, tapi bisa membawamu ke perut monster Loch Ness atau ke masa ketika matahari padam $\Sigma((? \textcircled{?} ?? \textcircled{?})?$

Raquel DanzaLibros says

De mis primeras lecturas de la infancia... La recuerdo con gran cariño porque lo leía antes de ir a dormir y soñaba con ese mundo al que mis decisiones me llevaban... Totalmente recomendable para todas las edades!

Gayle Gordon says

What fun! I used to love these books as a kid and I ran across it in a box of donations at work. Just had to read it. I went though every possible scenario. A book like this must be hard to write with all of the possible connections and choices. I'd love to see the planning diagram! I might see if I can track down more. I'm hooked all over again and I'm over 50. *Sheepish grin*

George says

You might think, "oh, a time traveling cave, how could this possibly end badly?" well brother, are you wrong! it can end badly in so, so many ways. Like with aliens! or dinosaurs! Time travel is tricky.

Alex says

When you find these books in your mom's attic, do not reread them. They're not as good as you remember.

Jennifer S. Alderson says

I'd read several of these as a child but never realized there were so many!
This wonderful series taught me early on there is no 'right' answer in life.
Highly recommended for pre-teens and young adults.

Astrid Lim says

Choose my own adventures is one of my most favorite series ever!!! The adventures, the mysteries, the thrills of choosing something wrong, the uncertainties and possibilities.. I love them all. Lorong Waktu is the first of the series, I've read the translation version and the old school vibe made this book more memorable - i feel sentimental when reading it :) I hope Gramedia will republish this series. I will definitely collect them again and will pass them down to my kid!!

Jason Koivu says

Struck with a touch of insomnia (I'm finally building my deck tomorrow and oddly it feels like Christmas!) I thought, what better time to read the classic first volume of the Choose Your Own Adventure series?

In *The Cave of Time* you are a kid, apparently with no name, on a hike. You come upon a cave you've never seen before. You venture inside and when you emerge shortly after it is a completely different time, and thus begins the adventure.

The pictures, by stalwart CYOA illustrator Paul Granger, made this one out as if it were going to be exciting. There's a medieval knight, the Great Wall of China, castles, a swamp monster, and in my travels I never came across one of these. I spent most of my time choosing either the left or the right tunnel, and somehow intuitively knowing all the while which one of those lead to the past and which to the future. Go figure. Anyway, here are the outcomes of the adventures I went on last night...

- 1) Went back to an Ice Age, met some cave people, migrated south and lived out my life with them.
 - 2) Fell down a crevasse, met an old man who complained about being a do-nothing philosopher. Boo-hoo.
 - 3) Left the cave and found the sun burning up the Earth, went back to the cave and ended up at a tropical island populated by friendly, grass-skirted natives, hung with them a while and then tried to get back to the cave, but got strangled to death by a boa constrictor.
 - 4) Jumped a train, found it was carrying Abe Lincoln, chilled with him while he wrote the Gettysburg address.
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aPriL does feral sometimes says

An amazingly fun and hilarious series! I recommend this series not only to the age group they are meant to be for, those from age 9-12 years old, but to everybody else, too! I find them laugh out loud funny to read

and I am in my mid-60's. The illustrations are wonderful, and the 40 or so endings that you can pick to end the story are so cutely done. I didn't mind flipping about the books in the series and finding out, depending on the choices I made every two pages or so, how I died this time or if I won or got lost or how I killed my friends or the bad guys!

Monica says

Uno de los libros primeros libros de la series con más soluciones (40 nada menos); aunque las historias no resultan muy largas, no están mal de longitud. Es una lectura estimulante, porque el recurso de viajar en el tiempo, pasado o futuro, siempre resulta atractiva. En ésta aventura nos encontraremos haciendo de marineros, o conociendo a reyes (incluso a Arturo), en la prehistória o en plena contrucción de la muralla china, por ejemplo. En el apartado de viaje al futuro, está más delimitado (y no porqué a Packard le faltase imaginación, precisamente, como se ve en otros libros de la serie basados en el espacio), en ése aspecto, quizá flojea. Añadir que muchas veces no regresas a tu tiempo, a algunos quizá les frustre o no. Supongo que el autor pensó que los que leíamos ése libro queríamos cambiar de época y escenario (¿quizá es más adecuado para adultos, entonces?..jeje).

Un buen libro, sin ser de los mejores, que es entretenido y con un tema siempre atractivo.

Swankivy says

This wasn't the first *Choose Your Own Adventure* book I read, but as soon as I discovered that this was a series, I wanted to go back to the beginning and read them in order (even though they are not in any way dependent on reading sequentially since they are independent adventures). In this book, you as the protagonist get to choose whether you go left or right in a mysterious cave, and one of the forks leads to the past and the other one leads to the future. Of course as a science fiction nerd I was more interested in the future, but I read all the endings. I would always tend to make my "actual" choices first and read it once through, then go back and choose things I would never choose so I could find out how it worked out. In this first one, though, most of the choices I had to make weren't meaningful. I preferred being given choices that introduced a moral dilemma or asked me whether I would fight or hide, but in this book we get a lot of "left or right?" and "up or down?" type choices where we have no hint about what could happen, which makes the process of choosing pointless. I didn't like that some of the super-simplistic, silly situations were trying to be awe-inspiring (even as a kid I thought they were hollow). Also, being a little pedant, I had a problem with the premise of a second-person book: They want me to imagine "I" am the protagonist, but they are assigning me an uncle I don't have and past experiences I never went through.

Tom says

This book blew my mind as a kid -- fantasy! science fiction! what-if! -- and was a major influence on my love of reading, interest in science, and all things cool. I still have my original edition from 1979 and recently picked up a few others at a used bookstore. Great juvenile literature.

J.Aleksandr Wootton says

Weren't *Choose Your Own Adventures* great?

But there weren't really books, were they. More like collections of non-linear vignettes.

Shelley says

Que original.

Creo que puedo pasarme horas leyendo libros de este estilo.

Estaba en una cueva, en la que había dos túneles, decidí ir al pasado y ví una especie de fin del mundo.

Volví, con esperanza de regresar a casa, pero terminé en un mar, hablando con una mujer que me dijo que me pasaría la vida entera ahí, que sería inmortal pero no sería nadie. Luego de un rato me dijo cómo volver, y por suerte ¡solo he llegado tarde para la cena!

Relectura:

Esta vez fui a la Era del Hielo, me crucé a un mamut y terminé en el año 3000 mirando películas viejas.
