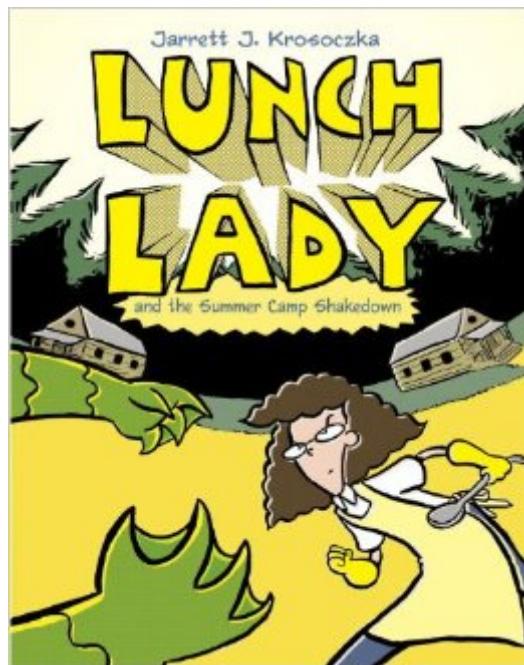


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# Lunch Lady And The Summer Camp Shakedown: Lunch Lady #4



## **Synopsis**

Lunch Lady and the Breakfast Bunch kids are looking forward to a relaxing summer vacation with no funny business. What evils could befall them at summer camp? Of course, there is the legendary swamp monster. Stories say he haunts the camp at night. But that's just a legend. Or is it? Once again, Dee, Hector, and Terrence must help Lunch Lady prevail against a secret enemy!

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## **Customer Reviews**

Reading isn't just about school and I have 4 great nieces and nephews that I really hoped would love reading. Two of them don't; the Lunch Lady was part of my plan to entice them to read and...it worked! The fact that it looks like comic strips was an immediate win; the story was fun and interesting. I kept the books at my house and they didn't finish the one they were reading in the first visit. The true test of whether the books were worth it was the kids reaction when they returned for the second visit; they picked up the book they were reading and finished them! No school work; no book report...just fun! I'll be adding more of these books for future visits and also start sneaking in some regular books too. Thanks Lunch Lady...You Rock!

Our 8 yo daughter is a reluctant reader despite many attempts to get her interested in other books. She asked for this book at her school book fair yesterday and read half the book on her own last night-laughing out loud. She was even reading it on her way down the stairs to breakfast and I had to ask her to put it down to eat!! Her enthusiasm has prompted me now to order other books in the series.

I gave this book, Lunch Lady and the Summer Camp Shakedown, to my eight year old grand-daughter and she loves it. Though there are abundant illustrations, she likes the story and is proud to be able to read it herself.

This was a first book of summer surprise when school was out and not only did he read the whole book and LOVE it but then did a web search to find if there were any others in the series! He was so excited to find out there were four others so off we went to the library where he got the other four and devoured them as well! He can not wait for the new one in September to arrive! (Yes I promised to pre-order it!) As far as I'm concerned, any book that can capture the heart of a 3rd grade boy like this is a great book indeed!

My 6 year old son loves this series. He can read most of it on his own and really enjoys all of the connections made between the books within the series, especially how each one ends with a reference to the next book in the series. He is always asking when the next Lunch Lady book will be released!

I like the concept. The series levels at 2nd grade. I like the high interest comic style. Not nearly as humorous as the Babymouse and Squish series by Holms. The humor is just not there. These are a popular read at the school library but I found little interest in my class library. I bought a handful in this series and I'm not too impressed. Has an interest level up to 5th grade though and great for struggling older struggling readers who are affected often by only have reading material options at younger levels which can effect self esteem. Read it with your child then donate to a classroom or your school library. You'll be giving a gift that keeps giving after your child is done reading it. Give it a try and if it doesn't interest your child, try Babymouse or Squish series. Your child may enjoy this series.

Ever since they were young, Dee, Hector and Terrence have dreamed of going to summer camp.

Now that they are old enough to enjoy an adventure in the woods, they are beginning to have doubts. Two weeks without video games, computers, or access to any electronics --- along with bullies on the bus who tell stories about camp wars and a blood-thirsty swamp monster --- make them wonder if sleepover camp is such a good idea after all. Once they arrive there and get off the bus, they feel more confident. They are greeted by the camp's new director and several friendly counselors, as well as two surprising yet familiar faces --- Lunch Lady and Betty --- who are working as cooks at the camp. Later that night, around the open campfire, their fears return after one of the counselors warns them about the terrible swamp monster that "lives at the bottom of the pond...with legs the size of tree trunks and fangs as sharp as knives." The director assures the campers that the swamp monster is just a myth, but rumors run rampant after one of the new and popular counselors is attacked. Following the attack, the kids' camp experience goes from lame to lamer. The new director places waterfront activities off-limits, the camp dance is called off, and cabin wars are cancelled. With most of the fun activities out of the picture, boredom sets in quickly. Late one night, for some excitement, Dee, Hector and Terrence sneak out of their cabins and meet up for a midnight snack. Their ice cream raid gets interrupted by an unwelcome visitor who frightens them and destroys the mess hall. But nobody messes with the Lunch Lady's kitchen! Lunch Lady is more than grilled cheese and ice cream sandwiches, and vows to get to the bottom of the swamp monster. While the kids follow a lead on a suspicious character, Lunch Lady suits up and takes off in another direction to expose the person trying to frighten campers and destroy summer camp. **LUNCH LADY AND THE SUMMER CAMP SHAKEDOWN** is a fast-paced, high-energy graphic novel. Written and illustrated by award-winning author and illustrator Jarrett J. Krosoczka, the story and illustrations make the reading experience a delight. While the story is light-hearted, the novel touches on some serious and timely issues, including lying, bullying and jealousy. Krosoczka weaves these topics into the storyline in a sure-handed, but not preachy, way. Just like summer camp, the latest Lunch Lady book is a teeny bit scary but lots of fun --- and a memorable experience that middle-grade readers, especially reluctant ones, will enjoy.

Just got my copy of Lunch Lady and the Summer camp shakedown and immediately tore through it. Comic books are meant to transport you to this other world where the regular rules don't apply and Jarrett Krosoczka is quickly becoming a master of the genre. In the fourth installment of the series, Lunch lady and her regular band of students trade in the schoolhouse for the summer camp. There is a hilarious moment when all of the summer camp counselors are introduced and it is explained how they are all into each other. Now I used to work at a summer camp and let me tell you

Krosoczka hit it right on the head. I mean I feel like I personally know some of the counselors in this book. The ending is great as well with a slight head nod to classic Scooby Doo stories. I highly recommend this book to people of all ages, from the 10 year old on his or her way to summer camp for the first time to the old time counselor with a sore back from too many piggy back rides.Oh and the bully is hilarious and probably in need of a spinoff.

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