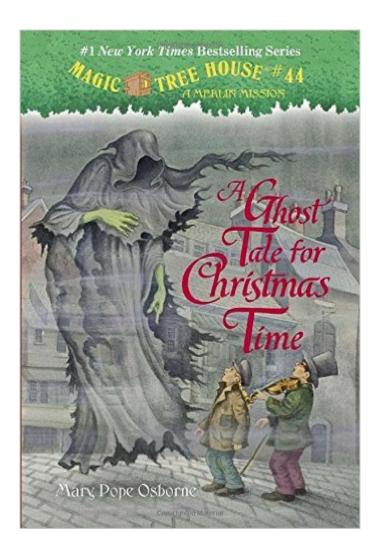
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# A Ghost Tale For Christmas Time (Magic Tree House (R) Merlin Mission)





## Synopsis

Jack and Annie are ready for their next adventure in the New York Times bestselling middle-grade seriesâ "the Magic Tree House!A spirited holiday mission! The magic tree house whisks Jack and Annie back in time to the foggy streets of Victorian London, where they must help Charles Dickens. But the famous author has everything he could possibly want. How are they supposed to help him? Itâ ™s not until Mr. Dickens rescues them from being thrown in jail that they discover his secret past and the sad memories that haunt him. Jack and Annie will need all their magicâ "and help from three ghostslâ "to save the great writer. Â Visit the Magic Tree House website! MagicTreeHouse.com

## **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 520L (What's this?) Series: Magic Tree House (R) Merlin Mission (Book 44) Paperback: 128 pages Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers; Reprint edition (September 25, 2012) Language: English ISBN-10: 0375856536 ISBN-13: 978-0375856532 Product Dimensions: 5.1 x 0.4 x 7.6 inches Shipping Weight: 3.5 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (91 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #13,182 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #17 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Historical Fiction > Europe #39 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Christmas #163 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Chapter Books & Readers > Chapter Books Age Range: 7 - 10 years Grade Level: 2 - 5

#### **Customer Reviews**

Another Magic Tree House title - #44 - by Mary Pope Osborne provides a satisfying holiday title in A GHOST TALE FOR CHRISTMAS TIME. Here Jack and Annie find their next task is to help famous writer Charles Dickens, and they are taken back in time to Victorian England London where they discover Dickens doesn't really need their help. Their discovery of his hidden sadness leads to adventure, magic and ghostly encounters in this latest fine addition to the popular series.

My nine year old daughter's review...'This book called me in the book store! "Come read me, come read me!". I thought that it described how the ghosts came out really well. I also thought that it was a really good way to teach a lesson to kids by telling them that they shouldn't be greedy or selfish and should help others more; they should be kind and hospitable. My favorite part was when Charles Dickens was chatting with his fans in the restaurant at the end.'I'll just add that she read it in one sitting, so I know she enjoyed it.

This book was an easy and interesting read for my seven year old son. He didn't expect it to be about Charles Dickens, he thought it would be about ghostsd because of the cover art. Still, he liked it.

I am an ESL teacher and my student loves these books. He gets to pick them on line and I order right in front of him. He gets so excited because they arrive within a couple of days. He is willing to read independently for practice and knows he will get immediate rewards when he finishes a book. This seller's timing is terrific!

This book series is worth ten stars. I read these to my kindergarten class and the kids love them. The stories are well written, educational, and keep the children enthralled. In addition, the books invoke the children's imaginations and usually lead them to create their own Jack and Annie adventures.

First I read boring books they were not very good. Then my sister told me about the Magic Tree House series from school. I started reading those book it was the best. There were adventures around every corner. I could not put the book down. This book is scary but IT includes Charles Dickins. This is intresting every page. There are some bulling in this book. I hope you love this book as much as I do and hope Mary Pope Osborn keeps writing the magic tree house series. I learn so much history from this book and all the book.

Mary Pope Osborne's books are written for young to mid elementary aged children. This series is a wonderful one, full of adventure and learning. As an educator I have used these books to teach science and history. The information presented and readiability level is very age appropriate.

My daughter loved this story. Annie was very innovative to use the three ghosts in A Christmas Carol to motivate Charles Dicken to continue to use his writing to inspire his countrymen towards a more caring and aspiring society. The story introduced the children to the poor society of England in which Charles Dicken lived. Very young children were forced to work to survive. The social zeitgeist towards the rich and poor was very apparent; Jack and Annie were treated with great respect when they were well clothed but the attitude and language used on them changed abruptly after they changed their clothing with the chimney cleaners.

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