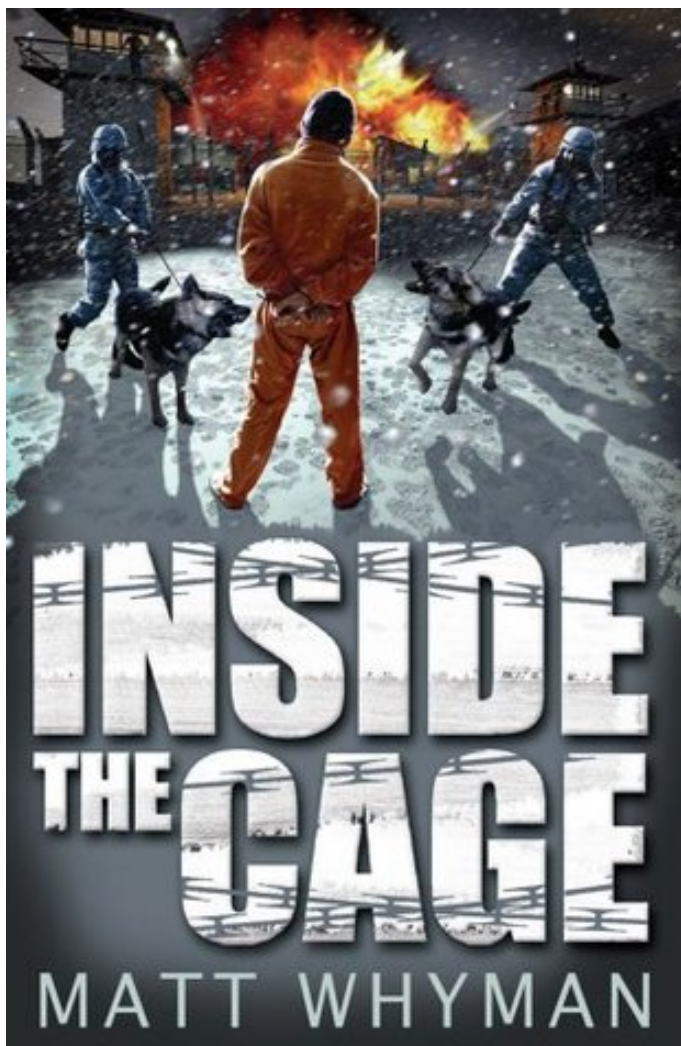


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**Matt Whyman**

**Inside the Cage (Carl Hobbes #1)**



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## Description

Under suspicion for a virtual break-in at Fort Knox, 17-year-old Carl Hobbes finds himself on a rendition flight for questioning by the US military. Taken to an isolated camp in the Arctic wilderness, the boy finds all assurances about his safety blow away when one notorious detainee stages an uprising.

## Insightful reviews

Savannah: Well done and I think most of the kids it's aimed at will like it's unabashed hacker who only meant to test the security of a computer system and who ended up involved in a whole 'nother order of trouble. It's violent, providing a thought-provoking picture of the victim who is trying to cooperate and still gets abused. I think the resolution is a little childish and any teen used to adult thrillers in movies or tv will probably find it simplistic, albeit clever. Still, a great book for readers too young to want an adult political thriller while still bringing up some serious issues about crime and culpability.

Ryan Sp: Icecore by Matt Whyman is an action packed thriller that does not have a dull moment in it. Icecore is about a seventeen year old computer hacker named Carl Hobbes that hacked into Fort Knox for fun. Even though he did it for fun, the US government did not think he did it for fun and are taking this very seriously. He was taken along with the worlds most famous criminals to Icecore, a secret detention center deep in the arctic circle. They told him he was only their for questioning but after a couple of days, he knew that it was not going to be easy to get himself out of this one.

If you are a student that would love to read a action packed spy type book. This is the book you are going to want to read next. This book is much like The Sleeper Code series because of the action, hacking and mystery. At times, this book gets hard to follow, toward the middle, when Carl is being questioned, it was a struggle for me to know who was talking.

"Consulting the transcript now, Arty Dougal finds a section midway down the page. "On January nineteenth, at 0203 GTM, Chimera writes: 'I've been looking into the Fort Knox job, and I've had a chance of heart. It's too crazy for words. You might as well be stepping into a mouse trap. Even sniffing at that setup is going to bring them slamming down on you. I'm sorry, pal. I shouldn't have suggested it." I glare at Arty. "And Chimera was right to be so cautious," I suggest. "So why didn't you take the advice?" Stagger is the only one to remain quite calm, which serves to remind me that I really should do likewise."

This passage from page 128 in Icecore may not seem confusing to you but when you are reading the book and so much is happening at the same time, it gets very hard to follow. This book has constant action which most readers love, but in this book, the author goes to fast and gives out information you need to know constantly. He should slow things down and give the reader some time to think.

This was the first book I ever read that was by Matt Whyman. So far, I think he is an okay writer. There are things he needs to work on but there also also thinks that he is really good at like

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getting the author to understand the big picture, which is don't get yourself into something you can't get yourself out of. I feel that this is the big picture for many reasons. When Carl is getting questioned, they Brought up how another computer hacker looked into hacking Fort Knox and this computer hacker said, "I've been looking into the Fort Knox job, and I've had a change of heart. It's too crazy for words. You might as well be stepping into a mouse trap. Even sniffing at that setup is gonna bring them slamming down on you. I'm sorry, pal I shouldn't have suggested it." ( Pg. 128) Also, when he was on the plane flying for hours and hours flying farther into the middle of nowhere, he knew that it was not going to be easy to get himself out of this one.

One of the main things I liked about this book is that there was never a boring part. Besides that, there were a lot of things that I did not like. therefore I am rating this book a three. This is the lowest rating i have ever gave a book I read. this book just did not give me the excitement of other book I have read. Even though I did not like this book. I am going to continue the series and read Goldstrike, the next book in the series because it is supposed to be a lot better than Icecore.

Meoshi yui: This is a book that no matter where I am or how long ago it was, I will always speak highly of this book. I read it about a year ago and just yesterday, I caught my self recommending it to a fellow friend. THAT'S JUST HOW DEEP THIS BOOK IS! I love anything pertaining to hackers, but to hack Fort Knox for the heck of it... PLUS a smidge of romance. Drop the mike and walk away worthy. Don't let the kid with the lame name discourage you, he is a BOSS and he is worthy of everyone's time.

Claire: Seventeen 12 months previous Carl Hobbes is a skilled and clever guy. He reviews drama and machine sciences in school in England. After a painful breakup along with his female friend he retreats to hacker message forums the place he's challenged to aim to hack fortress Knox. whilst he succeeds in establishing citadel Knox the accidental end result is a giant heist at citadel Knox that Carl didn't think possible. The gold reveals its approach to terrorist cells and Carl is taken for interrogation to an unknown felony within the Arctic Circle. during this grim and hazardous environment Carl needs to name upon all his abilities to survive. attention-grabbing personality experiences and definitely a cautionary story for younger wanna be hackers.

Homewood Public Library: 17-year-old Carl Hobbes has simply pulled off the impossible: he is hacked into citadel Knox and opened the vault doorways from his domestic computer. Unfortunately, the govt. has tracked him down. They make him a deal: if he tells them how he did it, and swears to secrecy, he will get off the hook. Otherwise, he is a public trial and a very, very lengthy felony sentence. Carl is of the same opinion to inform the USA govt everything. For his debriefing, they fly him to an undisclosed, sub-zero facility often called the Guantanamo of the North. The freezing barren desert does not bode well, and Carl will get much more anxious while he is manhandled right into a cage along many of the world's worst terrorists. Carl attempts to maintain calm, figuring out that he is purely there until he may be debriefed. through the top of the weekend he will be again domestic and it'll all over. That is, if he lives that long. Despite the author's efforts, it is demanding to suppose a lot sympathy for Carl, regardless of his adolescence and relative innocence. the vast majority of the time he is both being arrogant, too naive, or downright whiney. it is only towards the center of the publication that the

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genuine tale starts off to come back out - explaining the disdain the guards suppose towards Carl and the explanation he is been flown to the Arctic Circle containment camp. At that point, either Carl and the plot begin to get extra interesting. And as soon as it will get going...it quite will get going. Gunfights, explosions, mercenary plots and double identities continue the adrenaline speeding until eventually the fiery, freezing finale! Ms. Heather, teenager Librarian  
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Karen Ball: British youngster Carl Hobbes is a working laptop or computer hacker who will get mammoth kicks out of cracking into safe systems. A web acquaintance urged he test Citadel Knox -- and Carl breaks in successfully. And Citadel Knox is robbed! The yank executive is very displeased with this. Notwithstanding he by no means left nice Britain, Carl will get nabbed for the crime and charged with conspiracy. Federal brokers arrive and take him to the Guantanamo Bay of the Arctic the place he's held prisoner with many of the world's such a lot infamous terrorists. Carl is tortured either bodily and mentally so one can get him to renounce the truth, and he is familiar with they do not think him -- that he used to be manager and had not anything to do with the robbery. All Carl desires to do is get away and transparent his name, yet that is going to be approximately impossible. The single more thing risky than the folk round him is the Arctic setting outside, the place the genuine threat is that you will cease shivering... while your physique has misplaced the struggle to maintain your blood hot and all you must do is lie down and fall asleep within the snow. Motion packed and really a wild ride! Seventh grade and up.

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