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## Race The Wild #2: Great Reef Games



## Synopsis

Sage is used to being the fastest runner, the quickest climber, and the strongest swimmer around. And she's also used to taking charge. But when the second race course has the red team diving underwater to explore the Great Barrier Reef, it's trusting her teammates that matters most. It's sink or swim time.... Each chapter in this action-packed adventure series is bursting with totally true facts about wild and wonderful creatures, dangerous habitats, maps, and more!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This realistic fiction book is an adventure story that takes place in the ocean. There's a competition going on that reminds me of an underwater version of television's "The Amazing Race". The competitors are on small teams, and they are very interesting. I think I would want to be friends with them if they were in real life because they are good team players, creative, and willing to take risks. One of my favorite things about the book is the way the author gives fact pages between chapters. I learned lots of new things about black reef sharks, coral, green turtles and other parts of the Great Barrier Reef. Another one of my favorite parts is when some of the characters parasailing and saw a whale. It sounds like so much fun! That's

something I'd like to do someday. I rate this book at 4 stars, because based on the title I thought there would be games in it that I could play; instead it was actually a story with characters that play an underwater adventure game. That tricked me. Reviewed by Lucy H., age 8, Tampa Bay Mensa

I am a scuba instructor and am always looking for ocean adventure stories for my 8 and 10 year old sons - I thought this was a really fun read and I love all the ocean creature facts they mix in along the way. I plan on getting them the entire series.

In the second Race The Wild, the teams are sent to Australia and the Great Barrier Reef. Team Red, a made up of Sage, the leader; Mari, the smartie; Dev and Russell won the first leg of the Race the Wild, and were in high spirits. My grandson and I are both reading this series separately and then talking about it together. Sage realized that they won because Russell knew the answer to the last question, and they were in first place. However, it would take everything they had to win this stage. They were warned to be very careful of the reef or points would be deducted. The Reef came first, then the participants. They are given an adult to assist, clues and told to take photos. We are also privy to a little info about Sage's life. She had entered the race with her sister Caroline, and would never have considered continuing after Carlone's accident, except they needed the million dollars she would win as part of the Grand Prix. Like the first book in Race the Wild, the author, Kristin Earhart, has provided games and clues and maps to work out as part of the story. The Great Reef Barrier is a beautiful part of the world, and the sea life encountered is just as glorious. The purple team is hot on their tails, and it is difficult for Russell to forget the dirty tricks his former friends took part of in the first adventure. Once again, the illustrations are colorful and vibrant and depict all of the sights and scenes the teams take part in. In the second book we learn how seriously this team and the other teams are about winning the entire race. Like the Amazing Race contestants on television there are winners and losers, and everyone wants to be in the winning column. Now on to the third book. Recommended. prisrob 05-03-15 Rec Sage, Mari, mDev Russell

My 9 year old has always struggled with reading and has a hard time picking books that he can comfortably read. I am always buying him books to try and this one was a winner. I will be buying him more of this series because he's a nature lover loves learning about nature and animals.

This was a fun adventure, but it seemed to stall a little bit a few times. In this episode of Race the

Wild, Sage is struggling with some issues that I'm not sure if most children would understand. However, for those dealing with a ill or injured family member, this would be a great book to explore some of those emotions. Sage is distracted and a few times misses important things that could cost her team the lead. Having been the strong leader in the past, she is scared to open up and show weakness. In the same fashion as the previous Race the Wild, we do get to see and explore a fun new ecosystem. I'm really loving the animal facts and even I learned a few interesting things myself. Kids will love these facts which are presented as fast little "commercials" from the regular story. A fun ecosystem to explore and some great moments of discovery make this a really great story. I just worry that Sage's issues may not ring with everyone in the target audience.

Race the wild #2 is at the reef and the red team has to really work at it. Keep your eye out for clues and try to guess the creature pretty fast. Read Great Reef Games to find out how much drama there is!

My son is a fan of these books.

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