

*Fide et Amore* **By Faith & Love** 

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# Welcome to the World of Britfield

*Britfield* is a global brand and media empire that is impacting and improving education and literacy while fostering creativity and critical thinking.

One of the most awarded books in fiction, the *Britfield & the Lost Crown* series is transforming literature and learning while bringing encouragement and entertainment to children and families worldwide. With the first of seven *Britfield* movies in pre-production, the Theatrical Play (July 2024), and the Global Book Tours (2025-27), it is estimated that *Britfield* will surpass the Tolkien and C. S. Lewis series in worldwide sales and impact. The first live-action *Britfield* movie is projected to become one of the highest grossing films in cinematic history.



Since the August 2019 release of *Britfield & the Lost Crown*, it has become a global phenomenon. Children and parents worldwide are enjoying the fast-paced, action-packed pages while learning about history, geography, and culture. Rarely has a book series created its own unique category, a cross between Charles Dickens and Ian Fleming, while removing common literary devices such as mythology, demigods, or superheroes.

Teenagers and adults connect with genuine characters and authentic situations in a world people can relate to. This type of writing breaks the fourth wall of fiction, reaching the hearts and minds of all demographics. Traveling the world, the *Britfield* series covers England (Book I), France (Book II), Italy (Book III), Eastern Europe (Book IV), Asia (Book V), South America (Book VI), and America (Book VII).

#### Additional Information Available: www.Britfield.com

#### **Bestselling Author C. R. Stewart Fills Educational Void**

**Nashville, TN, 22 August 2019**: "*Britfield & the Lost Crown* engages, stimulates, and inspires young readers to explore and discover their own creativity in a realistic world of adventure and intrigue. Studies show that creativity peaks in early elementary school, sharply declines through middle and high school, and then plummets in adulthood. However, creativity is one of the top three skills needed in leaders and professionals today. Our entire educational system is predicated on a questionable hierarchy that places conformity above creativity, and the consequences are that many brilliant, talented, and imaginative students never discover their true gifts and potential. "Instead of nurturing future leaders, our educational system is fostering mindless complacency, Stewart declares. *Britfield & the Lost Crown* begins an innovative educational movement that will inspire readers to engage both their creativity and critical-thinking with fast-paced, action-packed chapters filled with real places, authentic characters, and exciting but realistic events ..."

#### Harry and Hermione, Watch Out! Britfield's Tom and Sarah Are Coming

**East-West News Service, March 2023**: "The overhead lights shut off and red lights began flashing. An automatic metal door sealed the entrance. Air vents were locked, and a distinct hissing sound emerged as oxygen was pulled from the room. . . Sarah gasped, "We need to find that secret exit now!" The description of a hero's peril when all seems lost just seconds before imminent death or an even worse fate—becoming trapped in an imaginary realm where the human world is being invaded by dastardly villains. The suspense takes away your breath and leaves your mind racing and wondering—will the outcome be different this time? In this instance, however, all is not quite as it appears. Because in this case, the characters are not confronting a mythical beast or facing a dark sorcerer in the final battle to save an unfamiliar land. No, this fight occurs in a place much closer: Our own present-day world. . ."

#### When Tom and Sarah Saved the World

**The Quintessential Barrington, June 2023**: "The *Britfield* book series has launched a fastpaced global movement of high-quality, middle school-to-young adult content that is reigniting *a love of literature* in students, parents, and educators, while fostering a reader's creativity and critical thinking—top skills that are urgently needed now and for our world's future. In *Britfield* & the Lost Crown, the first release of the *Britfield* series, protagonist Tom and his 55 fellow castaway children live at an orphanage in Yorkshire, England, where they are held captive. At the Weatherly orphanage, children live by harsh, standardized rules and even the slightest deviation is punished. They are called out by their number, not their name. The rulers of this corrupt system drive the children to relentlessly perform duties in their outworn factory, making them rich, while there is little-to-no food or decent clothing for their charges..."

## About the Author



Born in Newport Beach, California, **Chad Robert Stewart** is an award-winning, bestselling author, global strategist, and creativity educator. Chad founded the prestigious Britfield Institute, dedicated to creativity and literacy; and Devonfield, a media empire committed to the highest quality in education, publishing, and movie productions. A previous investment banker, Chad has worked at Bank of America, Morgan Stanley, and Merrill Lynch.

He received a Bachelor of Arts in British Literature and European History from Brown University; earned an M.B.A. from Boston College; and is pursuing a Master of Science in Advanced Management at Claremont Graduate University.

Now based in San Diego, he is a strong supporter of education and the Arts; past professor at Fermanian School of Business, PLNU; and past Board President of the San Diego Ballet.

#### A Few Suggested Discussion/Article Topics

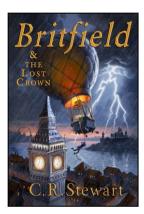
- The Britfield Dynasty: Education, Literature, Movies, and Media
- How 2020-2024 transformed Business and Education
- Educational Reformation: The Homeschool Revolution
- The Creativity Crisis: Are Schools Killing Creativity?
- Why is Creativity the Most Important Skill in the World?

#### A Few 2024-27 Highlights

- Britfield & the Lost Crown Movie (November 2026)
- British Book Distributor: Retail, Schools, Libraries (June 2024)
- Britfield Theatrical Play: Global Marketing (July 2024)
- Foreign Rights: India, Japan, South Korea, Brazil, France, Italy, Spain
- *Britfield & the Eastern Empire*, Book IV in market (January 2025)
- National Book Distribution: U.S./Canada (March 2025)
- Global Book Tours: Europe, Asia, South America (2025-27)
- *Britfield* Television Series: Development starts (May 2025)

## BRITFIELD & THE LOST CROWN





BRITFIELD & THE LOST CROWN is an award-winning, bestselling, fastpaced adventure novel that transports the reader from the smoldering crags of Yorkshire, through the heart of England, and finally to the magnificent shores of Dover. Creating an interactive world of mystery and adventure, culture, and education, *Britfield* is about friendship, family, loyalty, and courage. The first in a *seven-book* series, *Britfield* presents a real-world children can relate to and embrace. This fresh approach not only entertains readers but educates them, weaving accurate geography, literature, architecture, and history into the exciting story.

**"A Combination of C.S. Lewis & Dan Brown"** – The Epoch Times "A smart, adventurous young adult series for the modern reader!"

"An Epic Adventure! I absolutely loved *Britfield*!" "This needs to be made into a movie!"

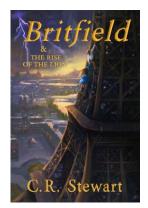
"Thrilling, entertaining, and hilarious all at the same time." "I highly recommend it to children and adults alike."

"In this series opener, Stewart offers nearly **nonstop action**, with escapades both perilous, amusing, and exhilarating hairsbreadth escapes. The conspiracy is bold and compelling while the plot folds in intriguing facts about British culture, history, and famous sites." – Kirkus Review

Escaping from Weatherly Orphanage, a place where learning is suppressed and children are treated like labor, best friends Tom and Sarah outsmart the nasty owners Mr. and Mrs. Grievous, and the seedy caretaker Mr. Speckle. Shortly before running away, Tom discovers that his parents might be alive, a revelation that haunts him. Relentlessly chased by the illustrious Detective Gowerstone, Tom and Sarah narrowly escape by commandeering a hot air balloon and flying over central England. Crashing at Oxford University, they receive the sympathy of Dr. Hainsworth, who decides to help them safely get to London.

Along the way, Tom discovers that he may be the true heir to the British throne, kidnapped as an infant and believed dead. When the children and Professor Hainsworth are forced to land the balloon at Windsor Castle, Hainsworth looks to his former student and head butler Philip for help, only to learn that he was a conspirator involved in the plot to kidnap Tom and protect the crown. With the help of Professor Hainsworth, Dr. Beagleswick and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Tom and Sarah race through St. Paul's Cathedral and the London Underground, pursued relentlessly by Detective Gowerstone on the way to a grand finale with a surprise ending.

## BRITFIELD & THE RISE OF THE LION, Book II (July 2021)



Shortly before Tom and Sarah escape from Weatherly Orphanage in northern England, Tom discovers that his parents might still be alive and was left with a single clue: *Britfield*. They are thwarted once again when the ferry transporting them across the English Channel sinks. Now in France over six months later, Tom and Sarah are trapped on an *island fortress* and face an entirely new enemy: a nefarious and clandestine group with unlimited resources. Searching for the truth, Tom and Sarah must navigate the streets of Paris, Cathédrale Notre-Dame, the Eiffel Tower, and the Louvre, chased by an assassin determined to remove any threat to the

British throne. Aided by old friends and new allies, the adventure is filled with twists and turns, unexpected betrayals, and life-changing revelations.

**"A Masterpiece!"** "The *Britfield* series is a historical marvel."

> "Non-Stop Suspense!" "The storyline is amazing."

"Absolutely loved it—breathtaking!!!"

## BRITFIELD & THE RETURN OF THE PRINCE, Book III (September 2022)



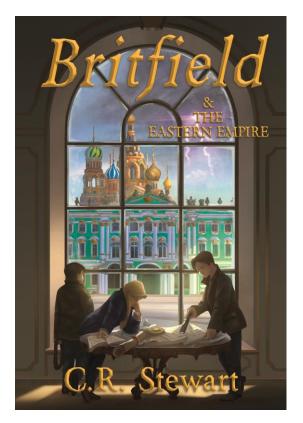
One year later, the Committee struck back with a vengeance, crippling the Resistance now scattered throughout Europe. When Devonbury Academy in Switzerland is attacked, Tom and Sarah's only hope is to make it to northern Italy by relying on their own experience and covert training. Overpowered and outnumbered, Tom and Sarah are ruthlessly hunted throughout Italy by the Black Nobility. Henry and Oliver discover a devastating truth, Detective Gowerstone is confronted by a secret from his past, and Inspector Fontaine is pushed to her limits. Relationships are challenged, and new friendships forged, culminating in a finale of sacrifice, romance, revenge, and loss.

"C.R. Stewart has Done It Again—Another Masterpiece!" "Britfield & the Return of the Prince is a favorite in our house!"

"It's Up there with *Lord of the Rings*!" "Great historical fiction novel for kids and adults!"

"Love this Series from C.R. Stewart." "You're with the characters throughout the story."

## **Continue the Adventure**



Devonfield Publishing is excited to announce the global launch of **Britfield & the Eastern Empire**, Book IV (January 2025). The anticipated sequel to *Britfield & the Lost Crown*, *Britfield & the Rise of the Lion*, and *Britfield & the Return of the Prince* is projected to become an international bestseller. Located throughout Eastern Europe and Russia, the 460-page fast-paced novel is a keystone in the seven-book series and offers a complex and layered narrative, moving through 11 countries with dynamic subplots and your favorite characters.

**Book IV Overview:** After barely escaping Venice, Italy, Tom, Sarah, and Hunter have been trapped in Austria for six months as the country has become a fortress. The military and police are relentlessly searching every city, town, and village to find and capture them. Meanwhile, Oliver, Kate, and Henry have relocated to Poland where they are desperately trying to help the others escape. As time passes, Kate and Sarah have learned about three stolen Britfield artifacts once held by the Habsburgs and Romanovs. One is hidden in Vienna, another is located in Prague, and the third might be in St. Petersburg, Russia. If utilized together, they could unlock a worldwide treasure map of unimaginable riches. However, the clock is ticking as the Committee prepares to destroy the Resistance and crash the global financial system. Starting in Vienna, the exciting story travels to Prague, Berlin, Krakow, Warsaw, the Baltic Sea, other parts of Eastern Europe, and Russia. The unparalleled adventure is filled with sacrifices, revelations, betrayals, romance, and an extraordinary ending!

## Britfield Series Worldwide Impact

"My eight-year-old daughter is reading *Britfield* and cannot put it down. It's truly one of the best books I've ever read. It reminds me of why reading is so great. Thank you for such a wonderful book."

*"Britfield* is fast paced & suspenseful from start to finish. It feels in many ways like a **James Bond**, but with a bigger cast and a greater purpose."

"My name is Gideon. I live in eastern Germany. There is a great need for **wholesome stories** in the world, and I am a big fan of the *Britfield* books. It has suspense, action, mystery, and history."

"Thank you for your excellent books. I'm 72 years old and find them delightful!" —Mary (Canada)

"Our whole family loves your *Britfield* books! **They've been truly encouraging** to my son, who recently passed away from a 5-year fight with brain cancer." —Maria

"My daughter Amanda (11) has been glued to the new book and has finished it in a week as she couldn't put it down. She loves reading. Thank you from her for writing just **the best books** she says she has read to date." —Kindest regards, Ashley (England)

"Hello! My name is Rhianna and I go to Helix High School. I am a very **big fan** of your *Britfield* series. My mom and I love *Britfield* and cannot wait to get Book 4!"

"Our 10-year-old granddaughter, Gwyn Morgan, is a big fan of the *Britfield* books. Gwyn turns 11 on May 4. On Saturday, May 7, we will take her on a hot air balloon flight (**inspired by the escape in the first** *Britfield* book)." —Carol & Angus McColl (Dallas, TX)

"Hello! My name is Lily, and I'm 14 years old. I just finished *Britfield & Return of the Prince*! I loved every bit of it! *It's* one of my **favorite books** of all time and is now up there with the *Lord of the Rings*!

"Your books are so enjoyable and full of adventure. Thank you for **bringing back morals and values** desperately needed in today's world. Thank you for your time." —Sincerely, Jocelyn

"We have an 8th grade student, who is a very reluctant reader. Countless teachers and librarians have tried to get a book in his hands for years. Yesterday, his mother saw me and shouted, "**You're the teacher that finally got my son to read!** All because of the *Britfield* book." She told me this is the first book he has read and enjoyed in his entire life!" —Leah, Librarian, St. Luke's School

"Hi, I'm the manager of Southend Bookshop in **England**. A customer asked us whether we can get the *Britfield* books for her. **I love the story and it's a great book.**"

"Dear Mr. Stewart, I have finished reading Book III. **Another masterpiece**. I thoroughly enjoyed every page. I love how the friendships turned into relationships. The traditional couples really care about one another. They are **brave and selfless** in doing what must be done to help each other."

## The Britfield National School Tours

"Author C.R. Stewart inspires this generation of children. His interactive presentation to students explains the importance of creative thinking, storytelling, and innovation with an emphasis on solving what he describes as the Creativity Crisis."



"Through the National Britfield School Tours, Mr. Stewart traveled 9,000 miles, through 23 states, and presented at over 200 schools to more than 40,000 students—**impacting and changing lives**. Research shows that automation and AI will replace an alarming number of jobs in corporate America within the next 10 years. Because of this, the vast majority of hiring executives will look for skills such as innovation, creativity, and brainstorming in candidates for industry positions; these skills cannot be replaced by technology or artificial intelligence. Mr. Stewart considers it vital to the future of this nation to cultivate and encourage creativity in children, students, and teachers, and the Britfield School Tours achieves this."

"Presently, Mr. Stewart's Virtual Author Visits are engaging readers worldwide as they interact online with an award-winning author. These exciting presentations include taking ideas and turning them into something of value, the essential elements of writing an engaging story, the importance of creativity, and the future of Britfield— the series and the movies. Visit Britfield.com to review articles and watch video interviews of Mr. Stewart talking about the importance of creativity and innovation in the education of young people today."

In **February 2023**, Devonfield Publishing launched a massive global reading program. Already in thousands of schools, teachers and librarians are teaching *Britfield & the Lost Crown* and *Britfield & the Rise of the Lion* in their classrooms, stimulating engaging discussions about real locations and current events. Using the 83-page Study Guide and *Britfield* website, students learn about geography, history, architecture, and culture.



**October 2023, Britfield Global School Tours:** The Global Tours are a combination of virtual and in-person presentations that promote the *Britfield* book series and movie (2025) while inspiring children, cultivating creativity, and fostering storytelling. Starting in Britain (Spring 2024), the Tour will travel to Europe and Eastern Europe (Fall 2024), then Asia (Spring 2025), and South America (Fall 2025). The European Tour will include England, Scotland, Ireland, Spain, France, Germany, and Italy. The Eastern Europe Tour will continue to Poland, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, and Romania. Beginning in March 2025, the Asia Tour will start in Australia, then the Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan, and South Korea. In September 2025, the tour finishes in South America, visiting Brazil, Peru, Chile, and Argentina.

## **Britfield Is This Generation's Book Series**

### Partial 2019-2022 School Tour Feedback

"Mr. Stewart is inspiring another generation of readers. We were so inspired!" —**The Highlands School** 

"It was a real blessing having you! I can't tell you how amazing it is to see the kids so excited about reading. This morning, one student was reading *Britfield* aloud to a group of 5 others." —**Cesar Chavez Elementary** 

> "C. R. Stewart has no idea, but he has rock star status around here!" —**Dorris-Eaton**

"My students are raving about your presentation. I think it's important for children to see that the possibilities for their futures are endless." —**The Phoenix Ranch School** 

"Your presentation is off the charts excellent, and we're wanting more! I love watching how the kids respond to you! They're so excited about having the books in their hands." —Ovilla School

> "Our students loved the presentation—parents reported how inspired their children were to share all the details." —Encinitas Country Day

> "We could have stayed on with you for the rest of the morning. You were brilliant and my kids learned so much from listening to you!" —Quantum Academy

"You shared a powerful message and inspired our students. The students that have read your book LOVE it!" —Flora Vista Elementary School

"Everyone loved the presentation. The kids were so excited about *Britfield and the Lost Crown*. One teacher is interested in teaching the book and adding it to the curriculum." —Alpha Omega Academy

> "Your presentation was fantastic!! Thank you so much. I have loved seeing your books floating around the school!" —**Hunsberger Elementary School**

## Britfield & the Lost Crown Theatrical Play

**Rancho Santa Fe, CA 2/16/2023**. Devonfield Publishing is excited to announce the awardwinning, best-selling *Britfield & the Lost Crown* novel is now a Theatrical Play, adapted and tailored for elementary and middle schools across the nation and worldwide. Since its successful October 2022 premiere, the 90-minute 2-act play has been refined into a streamlined theatrical package available to over 100,000 schools. Creating an interactive world of mystery and adventure, *Britfield* is about family, friendship, and courage..



#### "Britfield Is Reviving Classical Theater in America."

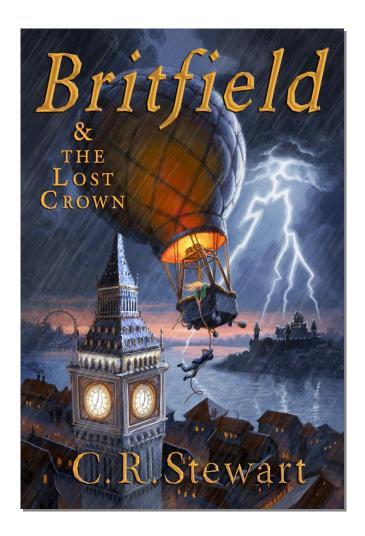
#### "One of the Most Exciting Plays in Decades!"

#### "Thrilling, Entertaining, and Hilarious All at Once!"

Entering the *World of Britfield*, the audience is transported to present-day England: Starting in the smoldering crags of Yorkshire, the exciting story travels through the heart of England, to Oxford University, Windsor Castle, London, and to the shores of Dover. Utilizing sound effects and digital pictures, the theatrical production feels like a real-life adventure. With creative set designs, including a hot air balloon and multiple locations, the fast-paced and educational story provides an amazing experience for students and families, offering over 30 acting roles and a turnkey process to produce.

## Britfield & the Lost Crown Becomes a Major Motion Picture

**Rancho Santa Fe, CA 9/4/2024**. Best-selling, award-winning adventure novel *Britfield & the Lost Crown* will become a feature-length, live action movie (the first of seven films). Already in pre-production, principal photography will begin in Britain and Eastern Europe in the spring of 2025. Global release is scheduled for November 2026.



The first of seven live-action *Britfield* movies will redefine the industry, causing a major paradigm shift. Several directors with a history of successful action-adventure family movies are being considered, along with top British actors for the main and supporting roles of Detective Gowerstone, Professor Hainsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Grievous. The lead characters of 12-year-old Sarah Wallace and Tom will be played by two gifted young actors, not yet cast.

The *Britfield & the Lost Crown* series is unique for the literary and film industry as it does not rely on heightened fantasy, demigods, or superheroes. Taking place in current time and using authentic locations, the real-life story creates a new category of family adventure and entertainment. Based on industry research, *Britfield* is projected to become one of the most successful films in cinema, rivaling the original *Star Wars* (1977), *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* (2005), *Night at the Museum* (2006), and *Harry Potter* (2001-2011).

#### **Devonfield: Company Summaries**

With decades of experience, Devonfield, LLC, and Devonfield Publishing, LLC, are involved in all the strategy, marketing, and coordinating of the *Britfield* series, movies, and merchandise.



Founded in 2013, **Devonfield, LLC** is an innovative company dedicated to the highest quality in publishing, education, film, and media. We are redefining how the world engages, educates, and influences the global audience. Creativity and storytelling are at the heart of what we do. Devonfield Publishing works with gifted writers on compelling narratives. Devonfield Education fosters an advanced curriculum, representing the pinnacle in creativity and learning. Devonfield Productions creates heroic and timeless films and programming.

- Publishing: Fiction and young adult book series
- Education: Curriculum, programs, and advisory services
- Film & Media: Live-action motion pictures and television
- Advisory: Media, marketing, publishing, and strategy

With over 100 years of combined experience, Devonfield has assembled a remarkable team, advisory board, and strategic partners. **Devonfield Publishing** has brought together many talented writers, editors, and agents, offering an *international distribution network* to deliver our products and productions to retailers, theaters, and cable channels worldwide. **Devonfield Education** is dedicated to fostering students' imagination and learning. Creativity and leadership are at the core of our programs, based on the belief that all children are creative and gifted if given the proper opportunities and support. **Devonfield Productions** specializes in producing, distributing, and marketing the highest quality films and programming.

## Redefining the World



Founded in 2019, **Devonfield Publishing** has brought together seasoned experts who understand finely crafted narratives and great storytelling. Our goal is to entertain and educate our readers while providing them with life-changing experiences. We are always searching for compelling stories that offer strong character-driven plots and uncompromising values. When we publish a book, it is distributed through all the traditional and emerging channels, including independent bookstores, major retailers, schools, and many other global outlets.

Managing all aspects of publication, we explore film and television adaptation opportunities. Whether working with award-winning authors or talented newcomers, our mission is to publish some of the world's finest writers.

### Freedom through Knowledge

#### **The Britfield Institute**

The Britfield Institute is coordinating with schools and educational institutions through the **Britfield Global School Tours**. These are wonderful opportunities to engage students, promote creativity, and integrate the *Britfield* series into the reading curriculum and literacy programs.



**The Britfield Institute** is a not-for-profit that is committed to improving literacy while bringing creativity into the classroom. Impacting all demographics, we provide students, teachers, educators, and schools the opportunity to read and write with passion as we inspire critical thinking, collaboration, and communication. Working with organizations across the country and abroad, we initiate interactive workshops and programs that promote creativity, literacy, leadership, innovation, and entrepreneurship.

We collaborate with academics, business leaders, educators, and influencers who are committed to supporting education and the arts. The Britfield Institute also conducts roundtables and panels that encourage learning with people worldwide who are committed to improving our future.

#### **Creativity** • **Innovation** • **Leadership**

**The Britfield Institute** is dedicated to encouraging our youth. Creativity, literacy, and leadership are at the core of our programs. Partnering with schools across the nation, Britfield wants to put creativity back into the classroom. Most children are highly gifted if they are given the proper opportunities and support. From their imaginations comes a wealth of original ideas and innovations. Based on our research, we have found that most children flourish when given the chance to invent, write, paint, create, build, dance, or learn music. These talents open worlds of creativity that foster ingenuity and visionary leadership.

- Creativity is **1 of 3** Top Skills in 2022 (WEF)
- Creativity is the **most important** skill in the world (Forbes 2021)
- Creativity is the **most desired** skill (LinkedIn 2021)
- Creativity is the **leadership quality** of the future (IBM Survey)
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) cannot replace Creativity (Fast Company)

**Britfield** wants to bring the valuable skills of creativity and entrepreneurship back into schools and classrooms. We have established engaging, interactive programs that help inspire, foster, and encourage students to transform their ideas into real innovations and products: a book, a service, or a business. Our programs consist of three phases. **Phase one** introduces interactive presentations to foster children's curiosity and creativity. The **second phase** helps students cultivate their ideas through classes and workshops. In **phase three**, we choose unique and innovative ideas from students, mentoring them and providing financial support to develop their ideas.

"Nos tibi viam inveniam aut faciam" **We Will Find a Way or Make One** 

## Further Awards and Reviews

"Such a thrilling book filled with so much awesome history about England, crazy mysteries, and truly amazing characters. It had me hooked every second of reading it!! I can't wait for the sequel." - Hannah, Age 13, Kids' Book Buzz - 5 Stars!

"A perfect mixture of fast-paced excitement, heart-stopping surprises, fascinating history, and endearing characters with historical references scattered along the way. Tom and Sarah's devotion to each other provides an excellent backdrop to the many mishaps and dangers in which they find themselves. I could see this book being used in a classroom setting both as a literature piece and as a geographical and historical resource. Stewart's clever narrative draws you in and doesn't let you go till the end! - Dawn Weaver, Readers' Favorite Book Reviews - 5 Stars!

"Along with its relentless action and suspense, Stewart's novel provides readers with a wealth of information about British culture (with frequent references to literary classics) and the history of the Monarchy and the Anglican Church. Highly recommended, Britfield and the Lost Crown will appeal to both young readers and their parents." - Parents' Choice Awards - Gold Medal Award

"C.R. Stewart's *Britfield & The Lost Crown* is a thrilling tale with loads of adventure and unexpected twists that will captivate youth audiences. Recommended for home and school libraries, this book earns the Literary Classics Seal of Approval." - Children's Literary Classics - Gold Medal Award

"For readers wishing for a quick description, the *Britfield* series is a combination of C.S. Lewis and Dan Brown. Through the constant barrage of obstacles and struggles, Stewart infuses his heroic characters with courage, honor, and fortitude, and enables them to exemplify the necessary virtues that establish the foundation of friendship. In a world where these qualities are overlooked, if not belittled, the *Britfield* series brings these virtues to the forefront of the young reader's mind. Stewart writes from an interesting angle, which is why I think the Lewis-Brown reference is rather succinct. He gives us a story in which truth and honor are constantly hounded by the arms of power. It is impossible to conceive that Stewart purposely released his *Britfield* series to coincide with the world's current crises, but it appears perfectly timed." - Dustin Bass, The Epoch Times

"The story was everything the cover promised. I felt like I was in a kid's version of Mission Impossible. I was on the edge of my seat with narrow escapes, daring plans and unexpected adversaries. After finishing the story, I liked looking back and remembering how far Tom and Sarah had come, the shocking truths they had learned and the new friends they made. *Britfield & The Lost Crown*, by C.R. Stewart is an amazing adventure that holds all kinds of surprises, and well worth reading." - Autumn, Age 14, Reader Views Kids

"Capable and charismatic young characters escape the confines of an inhumane orphanage on a quest to uncover the truth about the protagonist's parents. This is a far-flung adventure story that will readily interest the target audience. Stewart writes in clear, descriptive prose and integrates alluring and novel details that at times harkens back to an earlier era, an effect that offers an element of timelessness to the storytelling." - The Booklife Prize

"A joy to read to the very last page, *Britfield* is a high-spirited saga, enthusiastically recommended for personal and public library young adult fiction collections." - Midwest Book Review

"As a middle school English teacher of 28 years and a multiple bestselling author for middle grade books, I can honestly say *Britfield & the Lost Crown* has all the right stuff. Intriguing characters, foreshadowing, and suspense will draw readers in deep and have them gasping for breath for the next chapter and the next." - Wayne Thomas Batson, bestselling author of *The Door Within Trilogy* 

"Britfield & the Lost Crown is a truly wild ride for young readers—a blistering romp through London with two plucky orphans named Sarah and Tom who are being chased by nasty orphanage proprietors, a Scotland Yard detective, half the British police force and even members of the royal household. If you want your kids to learn some fascinating English history through an exciting adventure, this is the book for you. C.R. Stewart has done his homework (and it helps that he has a BA in British Literature and European History from Brown), fashioning a Dan Brown-esque adventure for middle-grade readers that includes a clever twist reminiscent of the works of Charles Dickens. In short, *Britfield* is tons of fun. Without giving away the ending, I was pleased to discover that the adventure will continue." - Gina Detwiler, co-author, The Prince Warriors series Author of the Forlorn series

"Narrator Ian Russell carries listeners along for a thrilling, fast-paced adventure about two kids, Tom and Sarah, who run away from a bleak Yorkshire orphanage. Pursued by a determined police detective, they face even more danger when Tom discovers a clue about his ancestry that may link him to the royal family and a plot to eliminate his bloodline—including him. With varied accents and voices, Russell transports listeners to England and brings each character to life. As hot-air balloon crashes, several narrow escapes, and a white-knuckle chase through London ensue, Russell ramps up the pace of his narration, making the danger all the more palpable." - Audiofile Magazine

## Suggested Interview Questions

- 1. What is the central theme of *Britfield & the Lost Crown* and the series?
- 2. Studies show that creativity among children has drastically declined since the 1990s. Did this decline have any bearing on your decision to write the *Britfield & the Lost Crown* series? If so, how do your books address this problem?
- 3. These books are written for the middle-grade/young-adult readers. Why focus on this age-range and not an older reader?
- 4. What inspired you to write realistic fiction for children rather than fantasy?
- 5. *Britfield* is filled with references to and accurate descriptions of geography, history, art, and architecture. How is this significant?
- 6. You spent several years traveling, researching, and writing your books. Why was this amount of time necessary?
- 7. Tell us about your time living in England and how it inspired you to pen *Britfield & the Lost Crown*. Also, what about your time in France, Italy, and Eastern Europe?
- 8. The book series deals with a fictional family dynasty that has a possible claim to the British throne, specifically the *Britfield* dynasty. Is this family dynasty based on any historical family? What inspired the idea of a modern-day threat to the British throne?
- 9. Toward the end of the *Britfield*, Book I, Tom says to the Archbishop of Canterbury: "We may be young, but after what we've gone through, we're also wise. We know what's important." How did Tom and Sarah grow in wisdom through their experiences? What important life lessons did they learn?
- 10. What sets your books apart from other bestsellers on the market? Or, stated another way, what do your books offer young readers that other popular books don't?
- 11. What's the most surprising thing you learned as you were writing *Britfield*?
- 12. *Britfield & the Lost Crown* is the first book in a series of seven. When will *Britfield & the Eastern Empire*, Book IV be available?
- 13. Can the books in the series stand alone, or do they need to be read in order?
- 14. Can you tell us about the Britfield Global School Tours?
- 15. How is the first of seven *Britfield* movies coming along? What can you share with us?
- 16. Will there be *Britfield* cable programs or series?
- 17. What can you tell us about Britfield products, such as board games?

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Additional press releases and commentaries by C.R. Stewart are available. Topics include the future of education, the importance of creativity, global paradigm shift in films and media, and the threat of artificial intelligence. Mr. Stewart is also available for media interviews.

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