

Cynthia's Attic: Curse of the Bayou

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In *Cynthia's Attic: Curse of the Bayou*, author Mary Cunningham documents another one of Cynthia and Gus' adventures. Whisked back to the city of New Orleans in 1914 using the magical powers of the trunk in the attic, they find themselves caught in the middle of a swamp. They have gone there in hopes of accomplishing their mission of finding out the true story of the mysterious disappearance of Cynthia's great-grandfather Beau Connor while he was sailing down the Mississippi River. They must summon their determination and courage and face everything pirates, gangs, parrots, alligators, etc. if they hope to unlock the mystery and save Cynthia's great-grandfather.

Mary Cunningham's *Cynthia's Attic: Curse of the Bayou* is a bundle of adventure, humor, personality, fantasy, history, and originality. The two main characters, Cynthia and Gus, are the ultimate dynamic duo, familiar to the audience through their appearance in previous books in the series, and here they embark on a mission once again. They are each very authentic and true to their own selves, making the adventure all the more candid and straightforward. The past that they enter is enhanced by an array of imaginative creatures and mythical secrets. The plot is fast-paced and exhilarating from the very start, where the characters already find themselves in their foreign environment. It meanders through different settings, different dangers, and different confrontations. This book is simply designed to be an entertaining and easy-to-read adventure story for young adults from ages 9 to 12.