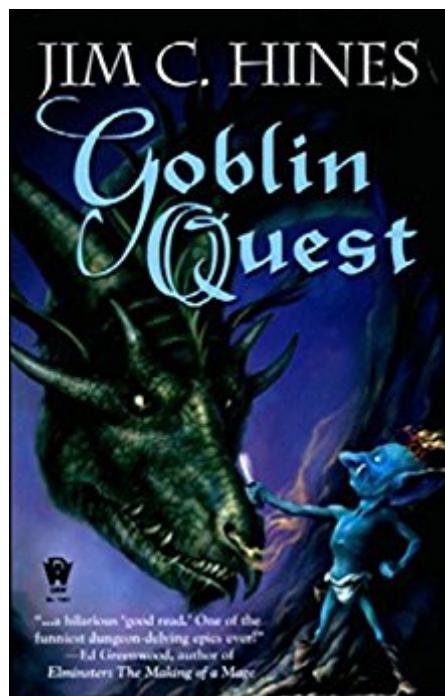


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Synopsis

Jig is a scrawny little nearsighted goblin-a runt even among his puny species. Captured by a party of adventurers searching for a magical artifact, and forced to guide them, Jig encounters every peril ever faced on a fantasy quest.

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Customer Reviews

The beginning of the tale is clumsy; the adventurers certainly start out as cardboard stereotypes. However, the tale improves enough along the way that I can't deduct much for that. It's also a humorous tale, about a silly enough subject (fantasy-tale goblins, only as the main characters instead of antagonists), that it doesn't detract as much as it otherwise would. I absolutely love Jig as a character. He's observant and shrewd in his own way, and spending time with the adventurers changes him. He starts to realize more fully both the failings and, occasionally, the unique strengths, of the goblins.

It's a fantastic gradual transformation. The lampooning of stereotyped fantasy settings is just so much fun: Adventurers were like fleas. If you didn't kill them right

away, soon the blasted things were leaping into everything. There are some fantastic bits of fantasy religion worldbuilding. I love the notion that a god who has more worshipers might be more powerful, but he also has to split his attention between so many people that a worshiper has trouble getting noticed. Whereas a less-popular god has more attention to give to individual followers. I enjoyed Goblin Quest enough that I stayed up late to read it. The quality of the writing ramped up very nicely, and I loved the humor of it. I immediately moved on to the next book in the series.

This was a very original story, and I enjoyed it immensely. I'm very glad I came across it. My full reviews can be found on: [jugglingdragonworm.blogspot.com](http://jugglingdragonworm.blogspot.com/2017/06/book-review-goblin-quest-by-jim-c-hines.html) This one can be found at the path: /2017/06/book-review-goblin-quest-by-jim-c-hines.html

Oh, my, this was such a fun, hilarious read! A fantasy adventure, complete with humans, elves, dwarves and dragons, all told from a goblin's point of view. Jig was a wonderful character, who, despite his self-deprecating view of himself and all goblins in general, turned out to be very brave, caring and smart. Without him along on their adventure, the others would not have survived for as long as they did, even though none of them really appreciated or thanked him for his help. I loved his amusing descriptions of goblin life and especially their culinary tastes...although, I must say, I'm glad I'm not a goblin! Barius, the human prince, was a total doofus and idiot and fully deserved every single thing that happened to him. Ryslind, his brother and wizard extraordinaire, was creepy and scary. Of the four adventurers, Darnak, the dwarf, was the most likeable, but even he had his weaknesses and fallibilities. Riana, the young elf woman, merited some sympathy from me, but there were times when I didn't like her very much at all. Smudge, the fire spider, and Jig's best friend, was cute and added an element of humour to the story. The quest was full of danger, magic, humour and fast-paced action, which is everything I like to see in a fantasy. And, I will definitely read the next installment in this series to find out what further adventures and mishaps poor Jig gets himself into.

The book is great, I have it for the kindle and ordered it for a friend who likes to have a book they can touch and feel. I would recomedn this book to any one with a little bit of nerd and a lot of fun in them. I am disappointed with the physical book however, if I had seen the condition it is in a book store I would not have purchased it. Sadly since this is for Christmas I don't have the luxury of returning it for a book in good condition. Luckily the story and the fun to be had with the book will help make up for the actual product. To any one wondering this is a great series, and has some tie

ins with the libromancer books. Great author for any one who just needs a good read to escape from reality for a bit.

I can't remember why I picked up this book in the first place. I have loved fantasy since I was a kid, but I've been a bit genred out for quite awhile. Too much of the same stories over and over and over again. Maybe it was because the cover was a little funny, I don't remember, but I picked it up and started thumbing through it. It's some funny s#*t. There were a lot of times I was laughing out loud, but it was a really good story too and I really liked the main character. Jig is the ultimate underdog. An underdog among a race of underdogs. It was fun having the traditional fantasy dungeon quest turned on its head, and it was nice seeing Jig win out with his brains and wit instead of his might with a sword or magic. All of the 'Jig' series are really good. Somehow they have gotten onto my "once-a-year" reading list and I'm almost looking forward to reading them again now.

I'm not quite sure what to make of this book. Or who the intended audience was supposed to be. It starts out like a YA fantasy novel aimed at pre-teen boys, including the requisite crudity for that audience. But once Jig meets up with the adventurers, the story rapidly turns into a (somewhat boring) satire on D&D-style fantasy novels from the 80s and 90s--in other words, aimed at my generation. It isn't until the last third or so of the book that Jig hits his stride and the story becomes something really worth reading. Based on the last third, this book should have been 4 stars, but I'm settling on 3.5 and rounding down because it took so long to get there.

If you enjoy light-hearted fantasy, this novel by Jim Hines is a must-buy. Told from Jig the Goblin's perspective, this felt like a D&D adventure as seen from the eyes of those whose dungeon has been invaded by a bunch of self-entitled adventurer prats. There are quite a few laugh-out-loud moments, and you will quickly find yourself rooting for Jig and hoping that he SOMEHOW manages to survive despite being a puny underdog. I don't think this reaches the quality of the best works of say, Terry Pratchett, but Hines has succeeded to write an excellent novel. I loved it enough to go out and buy the rest of the books in the series.

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