



SPY MASTER

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PLOT

In 1532 Jack Briars becomes an apprentice to King Henry VIII's Spy master, he is disappointed to be given duties of a clerk. The King's enemies are everywhere and very soon, Jack is facing more intrigue and danger, than he could have ever imagined. He wants to stay ALIVE and in favour, so he will need to learn the arts of stealth, disguise and deception- and FAST

THEMES:

Set in Tudor England-Mystery, adventure, and friendship all unfold in King Henry VIII's Court.

CHARACTERS

Jack Briars	Apprentice
Father Busbrig	Cruel abbot
Cat Thimblebee	Horse riding girl.
Robert Aycliffe	Trainee lawyer
Mrs Pennycod	Pie Maker
Mister Thynne	Clerk to kitchen- He is in charge of the accounts and buys spices
Mr Scrope	Chief scribe
Master Cromwell	Protected the King.
Oswyn Drage	Weasel- faced trouble maker

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Jan Burchett and Sara Vogler

Jan and Sara were already friends when one day they both wanted to write children's stories and decided it would be more fun to do it together. That was 18 years ago. Since then, they have written over 160 stories- including some about ghosts, football, ghosts playing football and naughty gargoyle. Jan lives in Essex with her family and Sara lives in London with hers. They both have black cats, who completely rule their lives.

VOCABULARY

Acquiring	To obtain something for one's self
Agile	Able to move quickly and freely.
Apoplexy	Extreme danger
Chafing	Rubbing against the skin, which becomes sore.
Clamour	Loud and confused noise
Dolt	A stupid person
Earnestly	With sincere and intense conviction
Eavesdropper	A person who listens to someone's conversation.
Foundling	Historic term for abandoned baby.
Gawping	To stare open mouthed.
Guffaw	A loud deep laugh.
Halberds	A weapon especially of the 15 th and 16 th centuries consisting typically of a battle-axe and pike mounted on a handle about six feet long.
Impudent	Not showing due respect for another person.
Jerkin	A sleeveless jacket.
Jowls	Lower part of cheeks, usually droopy.
Monks	A member of a religious community.
Nonchalantly	Calm, in a manner that you do not care.
Ominously	Something unpleasant might happen.
Penance	Punishment inflicted on oneself.
Portcullis	Grating of iron hung over a gate way.
Swineherd	Person who looks after pigs.
Wherry	Type of boat.
Vagabonds	Person who wanders from place to place.
Vanquishing	To defeat an enemy or opponents.