

["Leaper: The Misadventures of a Not-Necessarily Super Hero" reviewed by Katie on July 22, 2014](#)

Name: Katie

Grade: 11

Title: Leaper: The Misadventures of a Not-Necessarily Super Hero

Author: Geoffrey Wood

Genre: fantasy

Write a review of the book, including plot points, if you wish: Suppose you've just been divorced, are working at a barrista at a coffee shop, are struggling with some major issues in your life, and just discovered you have a superpower.... except it only causes you trouble. This is the situation that James--the main character of "Leaper"--has gotten into. "Leaper" is a very entertaining read that will having you laughing at times, crying at times, and reflecting on your own life all the way through. When James discovers he has the ability to "leap through space" (essentially teleportation), he doesn't really know what to think of it, and hilarity ensues. One of the funniest moments in this book is when James dials 911 when he suspects an illegal investigation is going on in his apartment. The dialog here is hysterical and will definitely have you laughing. There's also some sad moments that will make you cry, but most of them are spoilers, so let's just say have a tissue box ready once James checks into the hotel. "Leaper" is a Christian novel, but it's not overly preachy. When the story does get preachy, it's always pertaining to the plot. I still think people who don't normally read Christian fiction would enjoy the story. There were a few scenes I didn't understand (seeing as how the author is Catholic and I'm Protestant), but I was still able to understand the message about using your gifts and talents for the greater good. However, there is a little more objectionable content than most Christian novels. There are some uses of bad words that not everybody thinks are bad words. There's also a couple of mildly inappropriate misunderstandings, one between James and his ex-wife, and another between James and a potential girlfriend. There's also one scene where it looks like something is going to happen, but it doesn't. Overall, this is a tame read.

Similar authors or titles?: If you enjoyed this book, you'll also enjoy "Secret agent Dingledorf" and "The Incredible Adventures of Wally McDoogle" both series by Bill Myers.

Would you recommend this book?: "Leaper" is a hilarious read that will make you "leap" with excitement, pun intended. I'm going to recommend it to anyone who likes emotional comedy, unusual reads, Christian literature, superhero stories, or any combination of those. I can't recommend it more than enough. I'm going to say it's okay for ages 13 and up and a rating of 9 misunderstandings with a police officer in the Shoppy Mart (you'll have to read the book to get it) out of 10.

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