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## ***The Volume of Possible Endings: a tale of Fontania*** **by Barbara Else**

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Barbara Else enchants readers with another magical mystery from the land of Fontania. Twelve-year-old Dorrity lives an uneventful, secure life with her three older brothers. She is the only child in the peaceful village of Owl Town which borders on the Beastly Dark.

Her life changes when she discovers an old book listing different outcomes for her future - especially as some of the endings are horrible. When she questions people about her past, everyone becomes evasive. Furious at being fobbed off, she decides to find answers for herself. She's a resourceful young woman who realises she must take risks to learn the truth about her heritage.

Dorrity's quest takes her on dangerous paths where she meets creepy characters and a strange boy. She is intrigued and exasperated by the odd boy, but can she trust him to help her? Her adventure is enlivened by a support cast of heroic guardians, absent-minded inventors, smelly anarchists, human/animal beings, and, of course, a nasty villain.

This enthralling tale can be read as a stand-alone novel or as part of the award-winning Fontania series. All three books in the series will appeal to pre-teens who enjoy well-written stories with a touch of magic, humour, and plenty of action.

**Reviewed by children's book author, Jean Bennett**

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