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King Henry Price is fourteen, he loves everything he's not supposed to and hates everything he's supposed to. One day after his usual hour of detention he comes home to find an enigmatic woman named Ceinwyn Dale sitting in his kitchen, telling his parents lies about a special reform school. What she tells King Henry is different, she tells him he's a mancer, a Geomancer to be exact, that he's special, one in million maybe. She sure ain't a fairy giant and King Henry sure as hell ain't Harry Potter, but why not? Got to be better than the life he's already got.

King Henry Price is twenty-two, a recent graduate of the Asylum as an Artificer. With the special ability to create lasting items of the Mancy, he's spurned the Artificer's Guild and struck out on his own to found an Artificer workshop looking to do things his way. One night, a vampire baroness claiming she's named Anne Boleyn walks into his shop, telling King Henry he's going to help her, and she's not taking 'no' for an answer. King Henry is pretty sure the whole name thing is just a joke, but only pretty sure...

The Foul Mouth and the Fanged Lady Details

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From Reader Review The Foul Mouth and the Fanged Lady for online ebook

Diana Glewwe says

Fun book

Fun book. A interesting new twist on the idea of vampires. I kind of wish i had gotten this on audio, since it is written as audio tapes being recooded. I will definitely be getting the next book in the series.

Chrysanthos says

I laughed my ass of with this one!

Not perfect, but then again very few things are.

Definitely recommended for those who don't mind a little colorful language!

Jacqueline Jackson says

Fantastic Story!

An interesting take on magic. King Henry is a character you can't help but like and root for. Filled with real life grit, action and humor. Read this story. I just bought the whole series.

Burcu says

When I first started reading this book, I was expecting some light-hearted fun, and lots of cussing. It turned out to be a lot of fun with pretty deep stuff like mental illness, addiction, abandonment issues, etc. mixed in, and lots of cussing. I liked it. You get this kid in a difficult situation, trying to make the best of it in a way that makes him feel good about himself as well, and you see him talking as an adult, too. These jumps back and forth in the story could be annoying, but it worked perfectly for me. Both reading the story as it developed, and getting a perspective on why he does what he does was great. Also, all the mechanism of the magic and the world-building works for me, I haven't noticed any inconsistencies.

But now I'm going to be honest here. I'm a very mild-mannered person, always trying to avoid confrontation, seeking peace and reconciliation at all times. I never once in my life cussed somebody out to their face. And this book, actually the whole series is so much more fun to read, I get the best kind of escapism by imagining I was more like King Henry, going through life like a cannonball, breaking things and people all the way.

tl;dr: This book is a lot of fun but with some dark undertones, which are handled well imho. Lots of swearing tho, stay away if easily offended.

A Book Vacation says

1.5 stars

Not for me. I was intrigued by the premise, and I really enjoyed the back and forth nature, where the narrator tells readers about his life at 14 and then switches to his current life, but the language and humor isn't my style. King Henry Price has had a difficult life, and I understand the angst and hatred he carries, but his obsession with sex, the middle finger, and words for certain body parts put me off of the story as a whole. I think it's well written, and the characterization is done very well and probably more true to life than I care to admit, but King Henry isn't someone I'd surround myself with in real life, so listening to him cuss and be lude and crude throughout was more than I could handle.

William Howe says

Oh yeah, that's the ticket.

This is urban fantasy for men.

Picture Harry Dresden as a foul mouthed, ornery, SHORT, wizard with very specific powers...and those powers aren't really always that useful. A teenager who likes to get into a fight almost as much as he likes sex. Don't get me wrong, there are no graphic sex acts in this book - plenty of cursing, but no sex.

There is also a new system of magic and a new type of 'vampire'. Even the weres are different, although they don't make an appearance.

Best of all...there is no crushing ongoing war against the forces of darkness. Vampires may play little political games but they leave Mancers out of it and mostly it is simply benign guidance with infighting. The real foe is revealed very late in the book.

I laughed several times. He quoted Monty Python's 'Holy Grail' during a fight!!

Minor proofreading flaws - 'rode' not 'road'; that sort of thing. I actually give it more than 4 stars, but not quite 5.

I am going to buy the next in the series right now. Best compliment I know.

Natasha Macdonald says

Strange arrangement

Not sure I would be able to describe this book. If you can get past the swearing half way through it turns out an ok book. The anima I'm getting my head round. I think there is promise here will read the sequel and decide if worthwhile. Hoping so as elements of the book were great.

Brett says

Stick with it. This series starts off rough, but every book in the series gets exponentially better.

Chris says

This is the story of Prince Henry and how he was chosen to go to school at the asylum. Prince Henry is a loner but he is a person that has determination and a mind of his own. Even though his mouth gets him in trouble he always makes the best out of a bad situation. This book had me laughing just for this reason. The book is filled with colorful language that makes you laugh. If you don't like foul language and read the book don't say I didn't warn you.

PapaTrain says

Language Henry, language.

Laff out loud fun, some turn and twisting I did not expect (always a plus) a slightly different take on magic also made me happy.

Persnickety says

Unusual in a nice way.

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Came across this browsing through listings. The description and reviews got my interest, but probably wouldn't have picked it up if it wasn't KU.

It took me a bit to get into the story. Wasn't sure the MC was someone I wanted to spend time with for very long. But the author does a wonderful job of making you care about KHP just as he is. Nicely done.

Oh.... (Teaser. Not a spoiler.) Can't believe he pulled off Ann Boleyn AND Joan D'Arc. Giggled and laughed 'cause the smack talking was too much fun.

Amanda Young says

This book is a cross between Rachel Caine's Weather Warden series and Jim Butcher's Dresden Files. Witty, vulgar, inventive, and well-written. I loved every second of this book because King Henry Price is a lovable, foul-mouthed kid/man that finds he has special powers which are Raley's version of midichlorians called anima. It takes the best concepts of fantasy and brings it to an urban setting flawlessly: vampires, all forms of mancy (pyro, necro, etc). It was jarring at first to jump between present KH and young KH, but after a few

chapters or sessions since they're meant to be recorded tapes I barely noticed the switch between the past events and present. Raley does a fabulous job of keeping KH in character with his language and personality without sacrificing the quality of writing or individualism of his voice. KH is a character I can grow with and learn from, especially some choice swear words and an appreciation for people of all shapes and sizes. Must must must read!

Diana (Offbeat Vagabond) says

Review posted here:

<http://offbeatvagabond.blogspot.com/2012/04/indie-book-review-foul-mouth-and-fanged.html>

The Foul Mouth and the Fanged Lady is about a fourteen year old kid named King Henry Price. Oh, I know. And just like the original King Henry, this King Henry has quite the rep. He curses so much he puts sailors to shame, acts like a dog in heat when it comes to girls and steals anything he can fit in his backpack. King Henry and his family get a visit from a woman named Ceinwyn Dale. She tells his parents about a special school that can help King Henry. His parents jump on this lie and want King Henry to take the opportunity. The school is special, but it is for kids with very special powers. Mancers. There are all types of mancers and King Henry might just be a Geomancer, who are rare and very powerful. And he might be the most powerful one.

After years of training, he is grown up and thought he was done with the Asylum for the most part. Until he gets a visit from a vampire who says she is the Anne Boleyn and needs King Henry's help to find an artifact. King Henry thinks she is nuts and doesn't want to give his help up easily. He knows he is being played with, but is it by Annie B. or Ceinwyn. King Henry doesn't like being a pawn.

Man, what a story this was. Raley says this is Harry Potter meets Pulp Fiction. That pretty much nails it. This isn't a story for young adults though. It is pretty raunchy and bloody and a whole lot of fun.

King Henry isn't the typical hero. He has an attitude, says whatever is on his mind, disrespectful, selfish, but you still root for him. He has a heart, it is just buried under a bunch of other crap. You have his mentor Ceinwyn who you aren't sure you should trust. She is an Aeromancer, she can control the air. But there are times when you see that she cares for King Henry and she knows how to put up with his tantrums. Annie B. was a sex-crazed nutcase and she was scary. But I love the push-and-pull between her and King Henry. They definitely had chemistry even when King Henry was trying to save himself and his manhood.

I love this story so much. This is definitely something very new and fresh. I love the idea of Mancers, so many different kinds that can control all sorts of elements. It does remind me a bit of the X-Men. The Mancers use different elements to pool their power, or what they call anima. This is very powerful and most can't handle it, except for King Henry which is why he is so popular. Raley did such a great job with this concept. I also love that Raley added his spin to vampires. They aren't humans who were turned or born that way. Instead, vampires are actual blood creatures. They use humans as a host and can shape themselves into weapons. I love that! God, that is brilliant!

I love how this became a little like Indiana Jones just with ancient vampires. King Henry has to find a weapon that uses so much anima that it creates earthquakes. It is impossible for an object to hold so much power and it all the more reason why King Henry needs to find it. Someone with that kind of power can destroy the world.

This book truly took me by surprise. It was so unique and hilarious. I laughed so hard, I had tears. I love the idea of King Henry recollecting all he knows through videotapes for the Asylum. This would make a very fun TV series. I would love that. It is action packed and surprisingly heartfelt at times. Of course, it doesn't last long because King Henry has the tendency to ruin it. If you are looking for a different supernatural story that is full of laughs and action, look no further, it is right here. Richard Raley, thank you for your creativeness. Check this out today, it is only \$0.99!

Stanley Marshall says

Good

Enjoyed the heck out of this one, great job of making me keep going and dragging me into his world lots of action and adventure to it.

Montzalee Wittmann says

The Foul Mouth and the Fanged Lady (King Henry Tapes #1) by Richard Raley is a book about a foul mouth, terrible 14 year old that is sent to school for supernatural kids. The book bounces back and forth from telling the story about his 14 year old self going to school and the grown up self that has graduated and has a business of his own. A vampire comes by and tries to force him to work for her. They eventually decide to work together. This is a great two stories in one book kinda read and I loved it! Lots of humor, craziness, he works at making things for supernatural at his shop but really is an antique store for the regular public. A fun plot and funnier characters.
