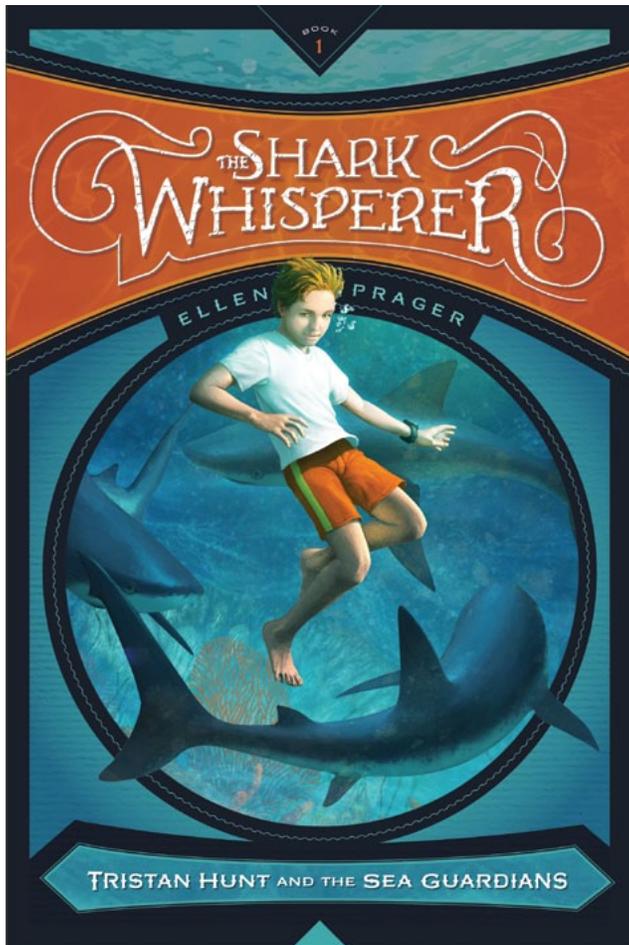


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After his most klutzy move ever, falling into a pool of sharks, things for Tristan Hunt begin to look up. Tristan is invited to an ocean-themed summer camp in the Florida Keys, where he discovers that he and the other young teens have very special and rare talents when it comes to the ocean. After the camp receives a distress call from ocean animals, Tristan and his new friends get pulled into a daring rescue in the Bahamas. With the help of sharks, dolphins, a quick-escape artist octopus, and some seabird bombers, the campers must use their young talents in an attempt to outwit an evil shark-finning, reef-blasting billionaire.

- ▶ Author is a nationally recognized marine scientist, public speaker, and published author of nine previous titles
- ▶ Author has appeared on national media such as *The Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, CNN, CBS, NPR, and The Discovery Channel

## Series Info

Tristan Hunt can talk to sharks!

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## Marketing Information

### Audience

- ▶ Children Ages 8 to 12
- ▶ Readers of Fantasy and Adventure, Rick Riordan's series, and *Animorphs*
- ▶ Librarians, Teachers, Parents, and Home School Market
- ▶ National Marine Educators
- ▶ Readers interested in Marine Biology and Oceanography
- ▶ Aquariums, Zoos, Wild Animal Parks, Nature Centers, and Museums
- ▶ Activity Groups, Book Clubs, Educational and Gifted Programs

### Industry Events

- ▶ IRA 2014
- ▶ PLA 2014
- ▶ Children's Book Week
- ▶ ALA 2014
- ▶ Heartland Fall Forum 2014
- ▶ Twin Cities Book Festival 2014

### Marketing Strategy

- ▶ **Release Date** April 2014 (published to coincide with Earth Day and World Ocean Day)
- ▶ **Author Events/Tours** across the Gulf and East Coast, Florida, Texas, and California, particularly with schools, bookstores, museums, marine parks & aquariums, zoos, and nature centers
- ▶ **Collaboration and Speaking Engagements** with science and marine organizations
- ▶ **Digital Marketing Presence** with interactive series website and a graphic novel excerpt of *The Shark Whisperer*

### Curriculum Standards Alignment

- ▶ **Meets Common Core Standards for English Language Arts** that support figurative language, vocabulary, fact vs. fiction, and language progressive skills
- ▶ **Correlates with Common Core and Next Generation Standards for Science** regarding natural phenomena, plants, animals, the physical environment, and environmental impacts
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