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## HOPE AND ADVENTURE ABOUND IN NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL NOVEL

*Be: The Journey of Rol* is the recently published first book in what promises to be an exciting series of young adult fiction by author Ric Colegrove.

The story follows the main character Rol on a journey of self-discovery after his mentor mysteriously disappears, leaving Rol alone and seeking a way home to reunite with his family. The young protagonist is joined by two witty sidekicks as they face comedies and challenges in their fantastical world.

The characters in the book *Be* rely on virtues, such as persistence and courage, instead of magic, to help them overcome obstacles during their quest. Even though the adventure takes place in a fictional world, Colegrove says that there are themes that teenagers everywhere can relate to, such as what it means to be a leader and using creativity to succeed during difficult situations.

*Be: The Journey of Rol* is available in print and as an ebook, and will soon be accompanied by a study guide that can be used by educators to further explore the creativity of language and reflect on the lessons in the book. Colegrove hopes this will encourage children and parents to have conversations about what it means to make decisions rooted in morals, while also maintaining a sense of wonder and excitement.

“My intention is to provide an option for children—an opportunity to read something good for them that still has a high level of adventure and humor,” said Colegrove.

“[The goal is to] enrich the lives of children through entertainment, laughter, and the demonstration of good choices.”

Ric Colegrove has a strong background in creative communication through engaging writing and visuals with a career in advertising and marketing spanning more than 20 years. He has enjoyed being immersed in the various stages of his children’s lives through community involvement, coaching, school and church boards, and scout leadership roles.

*Be: The Journey of Rol* is available at [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com).

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