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*Welcome to the very odd, very colorful Whippet Hotel...
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FLOORS

By Patrick Carman

Advance praise for *Floors*

“Carman has not only created a beguiling building, but populated it with a sympathetic company of oddfellows, plus a few nefarious creatures...Readers will come to feel totally invested in the hotel, just as they will come to love Leo, the maintenance man’s 10-year-old son, in whose hands the fate of the rickety old joint rests...The author is a fine storyteller; he rides the mystery right up to the edge and invests his characters with quirks that aren’t merely cute, but essential to the person’s identity.”

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New York Times bestselling author Patrick Carman invites readers to check-in to New York’s fun, magical Whippet Hotel in *Floors*, his newest adventure for middle-grade readers. Merganzer Whippet, the hotel’s architect and owner has gone missing and someone is out to sabotage the hotel. It’s up to Leo Fillmore, the janitor’s son, to follow the clues, solve the puzzles and save the day. Readers will be swept away by the delightful world that Carman has created and enjoy following along as Leo discovers the secrets between the floors of the Whippet Hotel.

There’s no other place on Earth quite like the Whippet Hotel. Each and every floor has its own wacky design—and its own wacky secrets. The guests are either mad or mysterious. And the ducks are everywhere. Leo Fillmore should know everything there is to know about the Whippet Hotel—he is the janitor’s son, after all. But a whole lot more mystery gets thrown his way when four cryptic boxes are left for him...boxes that lead him to hidden floors, strange puzzles, and an unexpected friend or two.

Join Leo as he takes the ride of his life, without ever having to step outside. As the hotel starts falling apart and the mystery thickens, there’s only one thing Leo can know for sure—the future of the Whippet Hotel depends on him.

Patrick Carman is the bestselling author of the Land of Elyon series, as well as the Elliot’s Park series, the Skeleton Creek series, and the Trackers series. He got his start as a storyteller weaving bedtime tales for his two daughters. He lives in Walla Walla, Washington, with his family. Visit Patrick Carman online at www.patrickcarman.com. For more information on Patrick Carman and his various projects, and to download materials, please visit: <http://mediaroom.scholastic.com/patrickcarman>.

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