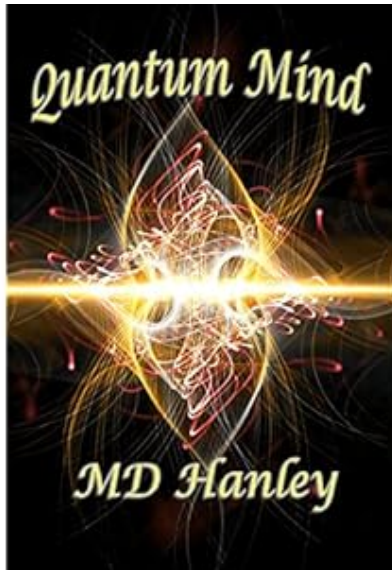




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Title: Quantum Mind
Author: MD Hanley
Genre: Young Adult - Sci-Fi



Review: Reviewed by Grant Leishman for Readers' Favorite

Quantum Mind by MD Hanley is a science-fiction thriller that will surprise and intrigue. Kat and Pat are twins who have discovered something amazing; the earth itself is alive, it is sentient. They meet Alder, a visitor from a distant planet, who was sent to Earth millennia ago, along with others to connect Earth to a quantum network of planets across the cosmos. The plan was for Earth and its dominant life form to work together to achieve harmony and peace in the world and to always work for the betterment of each other. Alder has mystical stones that he gives to Pat and Kat, unlocking hidden talents within the pair. Together they must try to reach the Earth's sentient core and invite it to join the other sentient planets in the Quantum Guild. Unfortunately not all of

Alder's colleagues sent to Earth have tried to fulfill their mission. Many have taken advantage of their superiority and longevity to achieve wealth and power here on Earth. They are determined to ensure that Alder fails in his mission to awaken the sentient powers of Earth and stop it from forming a connection with the guild. In a journey that will take them to many of the ancient stone monuments in Ireland and England, the twins will try to make contact with a thinking, feeling Earth.

Quantum Mind is science fiction with a difference. Author MD Hanley has come up with a scenario that is both novel and intriguing. The idea of Earth being sentient and capable of thoughts, feelings, and action is certainly not a concept I have come across in my many years of reading. It piqued my attention immediately and the author's laid-back storytelling style grabbed me and drew me into this fascinating adventure. I particularly appreciated the differences between Pat and Kat. Twins they may be but each has a uniquely different personality and perspective on life. The tension between the two helps greatly to heighten the overall tension within the narrative. I appreciated that the story was presented from differing perspectives which served to give depth and breadth. I prefer my science fiction to be low on tech and high on character development. This story certainly fulfills that criteria, with the focus being on the main characters, their backstories, and their situations. Although stated as "young adult" science fiction, I would argue that this story is equally targeted at all ages. First and foremost, it is a story about relationships, about right and wrong. The science-fiction aspect is a backdrop on which to hang a fantastic story about finding purpose and opening up to opportunities. I thoroughly enjoyed this read and can highly recommend it.