



In this middle-reader mystery, twelve-year-old Callie's parents send her to South Carolina alone for a spring-break visit with her grandfather. Joined by a rambunctious Jack Russell terrier and a friend with a secret of his own, she's set on revealing what the adults in her life are keeping from her. This STEM-focused coming-of-age story features a girl/boy dynamic with a bit of pirate mystery and ecological danger thrown in. The adventure includes a prominent secondary character with dyslexia and is set in OpenDyslexic typeface. This tale of adventure is perfect for high-low or reluctant readers and fans of *The Goonies*!

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"A great read for middle-grade kids. Lots of information about the beach creatures, especially the sea turtles. An engrossing mystery involving secrets and something buried on the beach!" —Debra Spearman, author **Matthew's Rise**

"You will relish every moment you spend with this brash, intelligent, and loyal heroine as she races to save the people she loves—and the mysterious Buccaneer's Spit—from impending doom."

—Libby Russler, teacher, Ashley Hall Girls' School

"Callie and Finn make it their mission to find out why Buccaneer's Spit is suddenly so popular, and working together, they foil the bad guys and solve the mystery—saving a sea turtle along the way!"

—Winnie Barnes, The Allen
-Stevenson School, upper-school librarian

*"J. E. Thompson has done it again! Set in the beauty of coastal South Carolina that Thompson calls home, **Buccaneer's Spit** is a page turner that sweeps the reader along in a tale full of mystery, danger, and adventure, all the while offering a great deal of information about coastal landscapes and waterways and the issues currently facing the health of our environment."*

—Laura Cantral, executive
director, Coastal Conservation League

*"It truly takes an army to protect and conserve South Carolina's sea turtles. It's our Sea Turtle Care Center™, the dedicated volunteers, the turtle patrol teams, the rescuers, and the indefatigable staff. Lastly, and perhaps most integral, it's the children. They visit the Sea Turtle Care Center, experience a connection to sea turtles, and are inspired to make a better world for them. These children, like Callie in **Buccaneer's Spit**, are the reason we can hope for a brighter future for sea turtles, for wildlife, and for the world."*

—Kevin Mills, president and CEO, South Carolina Aquarium

*"Sixth-grader Callie notes, 'When my plane landed in Charleston the beauty improved my mood right away.' I felt the same way as I made my way through this book! The story follows Callie as she leaves her Brooklyn home to spend the spring with her grandfather in South Carolina. What follows is a delightful mystery, as Callie explores the natural wonders of the Lowcountry and learns about the importance of environmental conservation while trying to thwart a treasure-stealing plot. **Buccaneer's Spit** has the potential to inspire the next generation of conservation leaders who can make lasting impacts on protecting and restoring lands and waters for birds and people."*

—Justin E. Stokes, exec. dir., Audubon South Carolina