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review

Katharina Reschke is already well-known for her screenwriting of children's TV series and films, and this engaging new story for 8-12 year-olds puts her firmly on the map as a successful author. *Roxy Sourdough – The Secret of the Fourth Floor* is full of colour and vibrancy. Characters and situations are imbued with cartoonstyle energy and the winning storyline captures the reader's imagination.

Roxy Sourdough is an 8¼-year-old would-be detective. She has a wild shock of red hair and is inseparable from her bright green diving mask. When she marches into a neighbour's flat in search of adventure she finds a mysterious map, and soon discovers that plans are afoot to steal a valuable painting from the local art museum. Roxy manages to solve the crime with the aid of a host of appealing characters: a lonely neighbour, a spoilt best friend, the tramp from the park who happens to have been a world-class biologist, and a tax collector who fulfils his spiderman ambitions at night.

Roxy is a tremendously likeable heroine and readers can only hope that there will be more instalments in her promising detective career soon.

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