

POWERFUL: A Novel

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***Dedicated to:** The Best most awesome Alpha Teacher ever,
The one who signed me up to write a novel the one that pulled
the writer right out of me this book is for you THANK
YOU.....*

Miss Blair

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my family for pushing me to write the final words when I
thought I couldn't make it. Thanks you guys.:-P**

Chapter One

“Mom I need some help.”

“Not now Sophie,” the tone in her mother’s voice said it all, her mom was not in the mood to be pestered by her daughter or her daughter’s dog Buttercup, the playful Golden Retriever puppy.

”But mom it’s the night before Halloween and I still don’t have a costume.”

“Well, get one,” her mom said absentmindedly.

Great! This happened last year I have to go spend all my allowance I saved on a Halloween Costume, again! Why does this always happen to me!? She snatched up her wallet and stormed out of her room and outside. But the cold fall breeze made her forget how steamed she was. “Oh man I forgot my house keys and wallet! What time is it? Oh I did grab my wallet! But still forgot my keys! Buttercup come here girl!”

Buttercup came bounding around the corner. Then Buttercup came to a screeching halt. Together they walked to the store. When they arrived she tied Buttercup to a pole and went inside the store. She came out in ten minutes with her costume. Then she untied Buttercup and they went home.

“Oh yeah I forgot my house keys!” She knocked on the door, no answer. She knocked again, still no answer.

Chapter Two

“Mom!” Sophie screamed at the top of her lungs.

She heard her mom coming calmly down the stairs and to the door. Soon her mom was making hot cocoa for her and Sophie. Buttercup laid by the flickering fire. Life was good. Then Sophie sneezed. The fire died out. Five minutes later it flickered back up.

”That was weird” they said together. Maybe just maybe life wasn't so good and it was about to take a turn for the worse or for the better.

Later, Sophie got onto her computer to play on her favorite website. Something appeared. She clicked, gasped and nearly fainted. She had powers. She had magic powers! But how did they work? Did she have to be an adult to use them? What if she really didn't have powers? These questions and many more flowed through her brain. It was

overwhelming. But she didn't read far enough to see her mom had made that article on the website.

She started to feel dizzy and collapsed on her bed and fell asleep. She woke at six thirty p.m. starving. She went down to the first floor. Her mom was eating dinner and so was Buttercup.

"I was going to wake you up but you were sleeping so soundly, I couldn't wake you up."

"I am starving. Can I get something to eat?" Sophie asked.

"Of course sweetie-pie help yourself."

Buttercup wagged her tail and let out a big "WOOF" followed by a huge "BURP." The woof was meant for her best bud Sophie, the burp, not so much!

Sophie got her dinner and sat down then told her mom about her day.

"I am so sorry for not paying attention when you asked me about your Halloween costume, honey. Tell me how much

your costume cost and I'll pay you back," her mom said in response.

Then her mom told her about her day. Sophie didn't know what to say. So they ate the rest of their dinner in silence, except for the occasional woof from Buttercup. After the dinner dishes were done Sophie got a hot shower and turned the t.v. on to find nothing she wanted to watch was on. So she went to bed early.

Chapter Three

When Sophie woke up she smelled pancakes and sausages. “Yum. Halloween breakfast is the best.” She got dressed, brushed her teeth, combed her hair and went down to eat breakfast.

“You got up late pumpkin!” her mother laughed at her own joke.

Very funny, Sophie thought. She got some breakfast and sat down. For some reason Halloween breakfast was always quiet; even Buttercup didn’t whine, whimper or even bark once.

A normal day was always loud.

Today is going to rock as long as mom doesn't baby me again like last year.

The day flew by as Sophie helped her mother, and Buttercup frolicked around in the yard. At last the work was done and it was only seven o’clock! Sophie started to change

Buttercup into her costume when there was a sudden.....

crash from the kitchen.

“Sophie.” Her mother sounded scared.

Oh no this can't be anything good when mom calls me like that.

When Sophie got down to the first floor her mom's leg was twisted in the completely wrong direction.

Sophie helped her mom up and she clasped down on the floor.

“We better call the doctor” Sophie said.

“Fine by me” She said weakly.

The doctor said he would be right over. The doctor arrived a few minutes later. He diagnosed her mom with a broken leg.

This is just great. The first week in our new house and my mom has a broken leg.

Sophie finished getting Buttercup and her dressed by exactly eight o'clock.

Chapter Four

“Bye mom I’m going trick-or-treating now.

“OK sweetie have fun!”

“OK I will! Do you need anything before I go?”

Sophie shouted back.

“No but thanks for asking,” her mother replied.

Buttercup barked.

Sophie tried to put on Buttercup’s leash.

Buttercup didn’t like that.

Buttercup darted off until.....she saw the scariest
haunted house **ever!**

Sophie saw her chance.

She scooped up the leash and ran to Buttercup as fast
as she could.

“ Gotcha Buttercup!”

Buttercup whined.

“Lets go get some candy!”

“WOOF”

Buttercup howled.

The birds flew out of the trees.

Together the two set out for their candy.

Chapter Five

The first house was a haunted house. They went inside. The hair on Buttercup's back stood on end.

“MAKE IT STOP!” Sophie shouted.

With that every last terrifying scream , dark light and spooky decoration wasn't scary at all.

Chapter Six

They collected their candy from that neighborhood and went home. “Your home early.”

Something about her mom was different. What was it? She guessed she had a puzzled look on her face because her mom said she got a cast on while she was out trick-or-treating.

Chapter Seven

Sophie went up to her room got changed into her p.j.s and got Buttercup out of her costume. She went down stairs. When she went downstairs she fell.

“Ooh” Sophie moaned..

Her mom rushed to her as fast as she could considering her having a broken leg it was pretty fast. Her mom somehow managed to get her arm x-rayed the next day.

Chapter Eight

“ Good news and bad news which do you want first?”
the doctor said.

“Bad news.” Sophie and her mom said at the same
time.

“ The bad news is that she broke her arm and the good
news is she only fractured it so it should heal pretty fast.”

Good thing Sophie thought.

Sophie got her cast that very day at that very
time. When Sophie got home Buttercup almost jumped on her
but then she realised that Sophie also had a cast and
remembered that when someone has a cast **do not jump no
matter how tempted you are.**

Chapter Nine

Sophie had to sleep on the couch so she wouldn't roll and hurt her arm. Not like it mattered since it was broken but sometimes her mom could be pretty weird. Like really really weird, especially now with everything going on.

Chapter Ten

Sophie woke with the sound of.....Who knows what!

What in the world of the craziest things on earth are going on?

She got up and went to eat breakfast. Left-overs from Halloween breakfast! Yum, for the second day in a row! The best two days ever!

Chapter Eleven

When Sophie got dressed a holographic image appeared out of nowhere. It showed a wizard on Neptune. It said "You Sophie must go to Neptune to save the wizard. He is on Neptune he is the key to knowing why you have powers. Sophie save him."

Chapter Twelve

For the second time that week Sophie fainted. She woke up when Buttercup was licking her face.

“Buttercup stop it!” Sophie said in a voice that told Buttercup not to stop licking. “Dinner” Sophie and Buttercup looked at each other and *carefully* went down to eat a dinner of pizza for Sophie and her mom and dog food for Buttercup.

Sophie did her nightly chores got a shower (which was going to turn into another nightly chore because she couldn't get her cast wet!) and sat down on the couch to watch t.v.

Chapter Thirteen

Sophie dozed off in the first few minutes of her show and fell into a deep sleep. She dreamed about using her powers to save a very powerful wizard. The wizard! She had to save the wizard.

Sophie dozed off again and really dreamed about saving the wizard when she awoke she was in a rocket ship.

Wait a minute. A rocket ship I was just on the couch how did I get here?

Sophie did not realize she was hurtling through space at two hundred miles an hour.

Chapter Fourteen

Sophie got out of the seat belt by pressing a random button.

Sophie started to float in the air! She flapped her arms like a baby bird falling out of the nest in attempt to swim down to her chair. She was nearing Jupiter by time she got to her chair and buckled her belt.

The little sensor that detected meteors and other space stuff started beeping like crazy. She was about to collide with a meteor that was rocketing through space!

Chapter Fifteen

When Sophie looked over she quickly commanded the spaceship to stop flying immediately. Instead it jerked to the side just as the meteor was about to collide with her and Buttercup! Then Sophie and Buttercup started flying toward Neptune.

Then Sophie sighed with relief everything was back to normal or so she thought.

Was the meteor just a mere coincidence or the universe try to keep the most valuable thing in it (the wizard) just out of Sophie grasp?

Chapter Sixteen

In the next hundred miles just after Saturn trouble came to turn the tides of this supposed to be easy rescue mission. Sophie entered a meteor shower. These meteors were monstrous flaming hot balls a rock, ice and gases came that came flying by at a very fast speed of three hundred miles an hour that seemed like one million miles an hour. Sophie screamed at the top of her lungs. Buttercup whined at the sound, that horrible, horrible sound of Sophie screaming. It was just too much for Buttercup to stand.

Chapter Seventeen

Buttercups whines must have triggered some sort of alarm because when Buttercup stopped they were catapulted out of the space ship and onto a planet then a huge glass dome surrounded Sophie and Buttercup. They had to solve a riddle to know how to get out. The riddle read: *The opposite of down on the highest shelf*

the answer is your first clue to saving you know who and you

Chapter Eighteen

“What in the world does this mean” Sophie asked herself.

Then she remembered when she had to solve the riddles at her old school, take it one step at a time to solve a riddle. *What is the opposite of down? Up! But on a shelf it would be Top! So if I look up at the top of the cylinder I will find a way out!* Sophie thought.

Sophie looked up and saw a hidden staircase. She kept looking at it and moved closer but it got farther away. She thought it was a reflection so she moved backwards and bumped into it! She turned around and climbed up with Buttercup and slid down the slide that was waiting for them with a giant cushion at the bottom.

As soon as they got off it all disappeared. “That was weird” said Sophie. Buttercup barked to show she agreed. They got in the space ship. Then the spaceship jerked and

stopped. They were at Neptune and out of fuel but Sophie couldn't make any more ,she didn't know how to! She even tried some weird saying she thought of. But it didn't work. So she and Buttercup set out to find the wizard.

Chapter Nineteen

After what seemed like forever they saw a faint glow. They went to it. Next thing they know they are trapped again. The riddle this time said

To get to the wizard from here go the opposite of south the opposite of east the opposite of north then turn left you will find the wizard. Say the directions in order out loud and you will be set free.

Sophie said them in order and she and Buttercup was set free.

Sophie and Buttercup followed the directions and finally found the wizard. "Oh no My magic gems are missing! Without them I can't do magic!" the wizard exclaimed.

Just then Sophie touched her necklace. **It is real amethyst and quartz** she heard her mom say at her last

birthday. **It will work a miracle someday.** Her mom whispered in her ear.

“Are these your magic gems?” Sophie asked

“They are my magic gems” the wizard gasped.”Where did you find them” “They were on my necklace.” Sophie explained. “Thank you” the wizard told Sophie. They tried to go home again. They were whisked off the wizards home.

The wizard gave her a gift. Her own magic gems.”I just remembered why do I have magic powers?”

“They are passed down by families. Ask your mom she will say she has magic powers. Anything else?” the wizard asked.

“Yes could you somehow get me home?”

“Just walk through the door on the other side of the room with your dog.”

Sophie walked through the door with Buttercup at her side.

“Thank you sir” Sophie said.

“Call me Samson” said the wizard.

“OK” Sophie replied

Then just like that Sophie was back on the couch at night.

She drifted off to sleep.

The first thing Sophie did when she woke up was ask her mom if she had magic powers.

She answered just like the wizard had said, yes.

Sophie was excited. No more chores at all! Just a whip of a finger and the trash was taken out! She chose any outfit she wanted just by flicking her finger. On her birthday she only invited the wizard and all the dogs from Buttercup's family. They had a puppy party!

Ever since she saved the wizard life has been awesome.

Free tickets to Disney! Buttercup getting to appear human for a day!

Buttercup went everywhere you could imagine.

She was one pampered pup. And the best part nobody knew except her mom and the wizard (Samson)! Completely perfect. Nothing could get better than this!

They used magic so much they made weeks were they couldn't use magic at all! The wizard was Sophie's first real friend ever. Life was as good as it could get. Nothing could ever get better. Sophie could never find words to explain how great her life was. She had a secret life that was a complete secret to the outside world.

THE END