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The Jupiter Conjunction (Doctor Who)





Synopsis

When the TARDIS lands on Panenka, the Doctor, Tegan, Turlough and Nyssa discover a community falling apart at the seams - plagued by thefts, and mysterious disappearances among the 'piggybackers' who eke out a desperate existence on the comet.

Book Information

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a decent story, with the best 5th doctor cast.

The Doctor and the TARDIS crew land on a comet that's acting as fast interstellar comet that's a navigational shortcut to Earth for the small community that inhabits it. The Doctor and Turlough are arrested for a series of thefts while Nyssa and Tegan try to rescue a man who's been lost in space. The story is fast-paced and introduces some key concepts and ideas, including an alien race from one of the moons of Jupiter. The story is a little bit shorter than your average main range release, but that helps the story move a long at a very fast clip that helps hold your interest. There's far more political intrigue than I would have thought and some wonderful character moments for Turlough and Tegan.

... Or you'll miss important details. The Jupiter Conjunction is a tale of plots, fake identities and double-crosses - these elements drive the story, but they're not the easiest to take in in audio-only format. The comet Panenka houses a freight business, the cheaper option for shipping freight

between Earth and Jupiter, but in 2329 business is bad and a string of serious thefts are making matters worse. Arriving on a whim, the Doctor and Turlough are quickly arrested, while Nyssa and Tegan rush to help one of the locals and find themselves outside of the comet's surface. They soon learn that Panenka holds some very dangerous secrets, and that some unscrupulous players have plans for it - plans with appalling consequences ...I needed a couple of listens to absorb all the detail in this adventure, but I enjoyed it the first time around. The main cast are very much in character; I particularly liked that Turlough got to be genuinely clever and there are some nice moments of tension between him and the Doctor. The guest cast are a bit out of the ordinary and some are quite appealing. Maybe there are a few plot holes, and maybe some elements of the ending are a little hard to credit, but overall this is a good adventure that is definitely worth a listen.Fifth Doctor audio drama sequel to The Emerald Tiger (Doctor Who), set between the TV episodes Enlightenment (Doctor Who: The Black Guardian Trilogy (Mawdryn Undead / Terminus / Enlightenment) (Stories 126 - 128)) and Doctor Who: The King's Demons (Story 129).

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