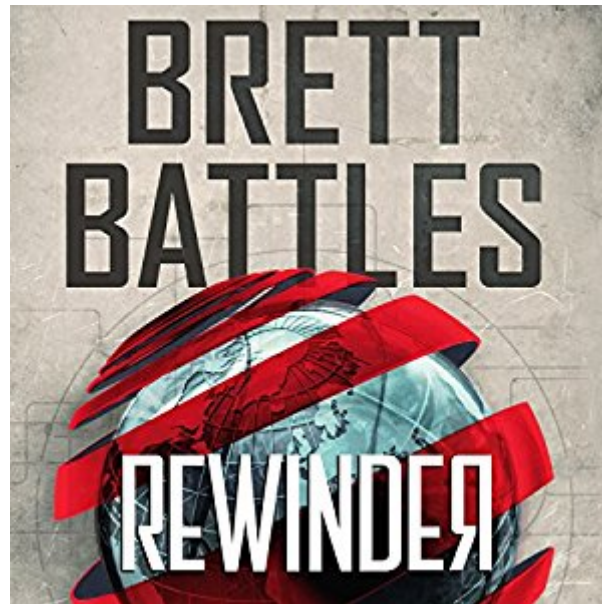


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# Rewinder



## Synopsis

You will never read Denny Younger's name in any history book, will never know what he's done. But even if you did, you'd never believe it. The world as you know it wouldn't be the same without him. Denny was born into one of the lowest rungs of society, but his bleak fortunes abruptly change when the mysterious Upjohn Institute recruits him to be a Rewinder, a verifier of personal histories. The job at first sounds like it involves researching old books and records, but Denny soon learns it's far from it. A Rewinder's job is to observe history. In person. Embracing his new life with enthusiasm, Denny witnesses things he could never even imagine before. But as exciting a life as this is, there are dangers, too. For even the smallest error can have consequences. Life-altering consequences. Time, after all, is merely a reference point.

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## Customer Reviews

I liked the plot despite the plot holes. I even enjoyed the characters. However the writing was in my opinion dull. There is also a habit in the book to explain some intangible thing, then say it. I don't need you to describe panic then flat out tell me the character is panicking. It felt repetitive and stale. Worth the read but I don't have the urge to buy the sequels, perhaps time will change my mind. Brett had some great ideas for the book, and I hope he continues to grow and push himself

I loved this new book by Brett Battles so much that writing a review should be simple. As always, Battles has delivered an "I-can't-put-it-down" page-turner--as we repeat readers have come to

expect. But this one has a twist of subject and setting so extensive that I hesitate to spoil the surprise by giving away too many details. So for this reason, I perhaps have procrastinated doing a review. Let me ease my conscience by saying, if you are a fan of Brett Battles, don't look at the reviews until later. Just forget the spoilers and read the book. I read this one expecting another awesome thriller/adventure, and I was simultaneously partially correct and fully delightfully surprised. Battles delivers the same quality writing, plot, suspense and characters we have grown to love in his current series (Quinn, Project Eden and Logan Harper), but with a wild twist. Here's the spoiler alert. If you want to read the book with the same amount of surprise regarding the subject as I did, leave this review now and go read the book. Still here? Don't say I didn't warn you... Our story begins with our young hero, Denny Younger, wishing for more out of life than what he believes his destiny holds. As is the custom, Younger knows he will probably be given a job at the plant where his father works. However, after taking final exams to determine his social standing and employment, Younger is approached with a career opportunity that he must choose without knowing all the details. In accepting this post, he discovers secrets about his society known to only a few. He learns that he will be a Rewinder, a verifier of history...and he will travel through time. Part of the fun of the book is learning about this world with Younger as he must face facts that stretch his view of reality. His training is an exciting blur, and soon he is rewinding time on his own. But the shadows of history hold secrets, and the future can hang on what happens in 12 seconds. As I said, I loved the book. I think you will too.

Enjoyable read. Great story with believable world-building and "science." The character building is great with Denny growing and changing through the story. I don't normally care for first person present, but I thought it was well done in Rewinder and helped build the suspense. I think if you're a fan of young adult science fiction and the Butterfly Effect and other time-travel/correction works, that you'll enjoy Rewinder.

The author wastes no time introducing the characters and setting up the plot. The book is a quick read, but that's because each chapter is important with little filler. The pace of the book is fast. The time travel elements of the book can sometimes become a little complicated, but the author does a good job of keeping it mostly high-level. He doesn't get too technical with the sci-fi aspects of the book. All in all, I would recommend this book to people who enjoy time travel/history adventure books, and are looking for a quick read.

Rewinder, the story of Denny Younger written by Brett Battles is a story of action, adventure, and suspense. Denny Younger, the main character, grows up poor in a world completely different from our own. As a level 8 he has little hope to get away from his life of poverty in New Cardiff. New Cardiff is in a territory in North America under control of the British Empire in 2015. Denny grew up in a troubled family losing his mother and sister when he was still and left with a father who didn't care for him. After he takes a standardized test taken by all 16-18 year old citizens in the British Empire to determine his future career his life changes forever. He is brought to a government agency called The Institute and begins his training. Denny and his fellow colleagues are presented the task of confirming lineage and the past of people. Using a device called a chaser Denny is supposed to observe and NOT alter what he sees. However a 12 second difference creates a world completely new to Denny and he has to decide what is the right thing to do. This book was a very enjoyable and short read full of adventure and conflict. It was interesting to see the transition of a world where the United States didn't exist to one that did and what Denny's reaction was. Denny was a likeable character and one that anyone can relate to. The ending without giving anything away was satisfying but at the same time everything seemed to happen at once. The book did have a couple downfalls though. The idea of pain being transferred through the chaser didn't make sense, and the lack of an explanation was somewhat disappointing. Also it would have been more exciting if he went to other parts of the world instead of only England and America. In future books it would be interesting to see their transitions. Overall I would recommend this book to other readers. It was a thrilling and exciting quick read. It took me only a week to read and that wasn't difficult at all. Since it is part of a series readers can continue the story if they would like. This is one of the better books I have read and encourage readers to try Rewinder.

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