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Castlebots Book One: From Earth to the Asteroid

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"Castlebots Book One: From Earth to the Asteroid" by Terry S. Goudy is the story of sixteen-yearold Scott as he tries to stop an impending asteroid collision with Earth. When Scott's rival from a previous adventure suddenly showed up on a peaceful beach, Scott was stunned. He had thought that his rival was out of his life for good. Later when he arrived at a space station that housed a giant virtual reality adventure, he was amazed to find that the scenario he had been expecting had been changed. Will he be able to survive the new adventure?

When Scott started the new adventure, he found himself in a strange world ruled by robots called Castlebots. It seemed as if their only purpose was to have fun. Their idea of fun included jousting, torobot roping and riding, and foxbot laser tag. However, after Scott met a mysterious, outcast Castlebot named Threadneedle for the second time, he learned a dark and dangerous secret about the Castlebots. Can Scott bring the news to the rest of the Castlebots before it is too late?

After several days of relaxation and fun Scott was abruptly challenged by a strange Castlebot named Lady Pearl. Pearl said that Scott was a spy from people called space pirates. Can Scott prove his innocence before it is too late and a cataclysmic disaster occurs?

I would recommend this book to people who like adventure with a smattering of science fiction. At the top of each chapter there was a quotation from the Bible that would relate to what happened in the chapter. "Castlebots Book One: From Earth to the Asteroid" was a fun read and left off on a cliffhanger. I can't wait to read the next one.