Twelve-year-old Emily has been having dreams for several nights in a row, and they have all been about drowning. One night she believes that her dream is actually reality—someone, or something, is really drowning! Soon after, she finds a large dog lying unconscious after a terrible storm near her home. Emily rushes the dog to the veterinarian, who saves its life. She takes it home, and even though her parents place ads for the lost dog in the newspaper, no one responds. Emily names him Zack, and day by day, they form a powerful bond. They even share the same dreams and thoughts. Together they use their unique powers for good, helping others like Ms. Griswold, the cranky old neighbor. But what could happen if Zack ends up in the wrong hands?