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Our plan was to grow, and train, and become strong, and become one, and fight them. But they found us and started hunting us first. Now all of us are running. Spending our lives in shadows, in places where no one would look, blending in. We have lived among you without you knowing.

But they know.

They caught Number One in Malaysia. Number Two in England. And Number Three in Kenya. They killed them all.

I am Number Four.

I am next.

[\*Also included is a sneak listen to the first chapter of the next book in the series. Enjoy!]

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## Editorial Review

Amazon.com Review

**Amazon Best Books of the Month, August 2010:** John Smith has just arrived in Paradise, Ohio, just another stop in a string of small towns where the 15-year-old has been hiding out from the Mogadorians. Those terrifying aliens are hellbent on destroying him and the other nine Loric children who have sought refuge on Earth. The Mogadorians are picking off the surviving kids in numerical order. The first three are dead and John's number is up. Will his Legacies, his defining super powers, develop in time for him to fight against the enemy? *I Am Number Four* is a breathless page-turner of a sci-fi novel that will have readers rooting for the teen alien who must unleash his fire power to save himself, his human friends, and the planet. This is the first of a slated multi-book series that, judging by this first book, will help reinvigorate a traditional YA genre that's grown a bit light on strong character development. So, gear-up sci-fi fans, the battle for Earth is on and there's a new kid in town! --*Lauren Nemroff*

## Will Hill and Pittacus Lore: Author One-on-One

Will Hill's new thrilling trilogy kicks off with *Department Nineteen*. Recently he was able to ask some questions of the mysterious Pittacus Lore. Read the resulting Amazon-exclusive interview below, or turn the tables to see what happened when Pittacus interviewed Will.

**Will:** Number Four is told to blend in but he finds this a difficult task. Being a mysterious figure yourself, has this ever happened to you?



**Pittacus:** I have always taken great care to conceal my identity. I change my appearance regularly. I do not speak or correspond with many people. No one has ever suspected me of being what I am, which is an alien military leader with superpowers. If anyone ever does, it will be a bad day for me.

**Will:** Why is now the time to write the unknown history of the planet Lorien and the Nine? What do you think the people of Earth can learn from the Lorien Legacies?

**Pittacus:** We are in the middle of a war to save the remaining Lorien, and to save earth. We thought the people of earth might want to know about it. I hope humanity does not make the same mistake we did on our planet, which was to be unprepared the day war arrived on a grand scale.

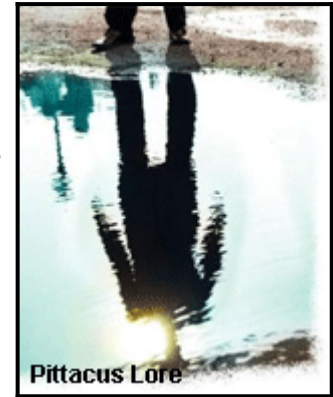
**Will:** Who do you think would win in a fight, Dracula or a Mogadorian?

**Pittacus:** Dracula wouldn't stand a chance. If he tried to drink Mogadorian blood he'd poison himself. It's would be like drinking battery acid.

**Will:** Number Four has his legacies as his best weapon. Do you think John could be an agent of *Department Nineteen*?

**Pittacus:** Once we have vanquished the Mogadorians, maybe that is what he will become. He certainly has some mad skills.

**Will:** Sarah in *I Am Number Four* is in love with an alien. Jamie in *Department Nineteen* is falling for a vampire named Larissa. What makes young love just so difficult? Do you think these crazy kids/vampires/aliens will ever make it work?



**Pittacus:** Love is a beautiful and confusing thing. I hope they all live happily ever after.

**Will:** *I Am Number Four* has made the perfect action sci-fi movie. What has it been like to see this come to life on the big screen?

**Pittacus:** It's been thrilling and fun and very cool. We're hoping to see all six of the books become films.

**Will:** What can we expect in *The Power of Six*?

**Pittacus:** Six is a powerful young woman. Mogadorians fear her. In *The Power of Six*, we see why.

From School Library Journal

Grade 7 Up—Despite the amazing powers that many of the people of Lorien possess, the planet was defeated and its natural resources looted by Mogadorians in a matter of days. Only nine children escaped with their guardians to Earth, where they planned to hide until they developed their powers in order to defeat their enemies and revive Lorien. The Mogadorians hunt the Nine and have already killed three of them. And that's just the backstory. When Number Four, bearing the name "John Smith," moves to Paradise, OH, he runs afoul of the school bully, falls for the most beautiful girl in town, and befriends the local alien conspiracy nerd in short order. There is plenty of great action, but the dialogue is average, as is the character development. With its interesting premises and a fast-pace telling, the story will grab readers who are willing to suspend quite a bit of disbelief. Others, who like their science fiction with a bit more science and internal logic, will have to search elsewhere.—*Eric Norton, McMillan Memorial Library, Wisconsin Rapids, WI*  
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From [Booklist](#)

Is Pittacus Lore a pseudonym? An introduction suggests that Lore is 10,000 years old and hails from the planet Lorien, so I'm going with yes. This fun bit of business is indicative of the book's commitment to its premise: 10 years ago, nine children fled war-ravaged Lorien and landed on Earth along with their adult teachers. As they mature, each child develops powers called Legacies, which help them fight the evil Mogadorians. The Nine can only be killed in order—and Number Three just bit it. That leaves Number Four: John Smith. At least, that's his latest alias, as he and his guardian, Henri, flee to a new town for the

umpteenth time. There John encounters bullies, falls in love, and begins to, you know, move things with his mind. Though the finale bogs down in a cluttered monster battle, everything else is terrifically propulsive. Meanwhile, the backstory (Loriens are given credit for everything from Greek gods to the Loch Ness Monster) deserves the next story that Lore is surely concocting in his/her/its spacecraft right now. Grades 9-12. --Daniel Kraus

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#### **Ronda Hagerty:**

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#### **Jordan Moore:**

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