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Customer Reviews

I was so moved by this book when I first read it as a 12 year old, that I read it a few more times over the years. There is something that just draws you in and makes you feel what these kids felt in a time that had to be hell on earth. The characters are well written and for a young girl who read day and night, I found it to be one of about 4 books (other than the Little House on the Prairie series) that I will always remember fondly and want to share with my children and grand-children. I think that Escape From Warsaw gives you that view into how terrible war really is, along with works like The Diary of Anne Frank. They make you cry, they make you laugh, and always, they make you think.

This book far exceeded my expectations. It is basically a story about the children of a Polish family struggling from the ruins of Warsaw to be reunited with their parents in Switzerland. There is lots of adventure and a (SPOILER ALERT) happy ending. Most of the story takes place immediately after the fall of Germany. The partition of Germany and the trauma experienced by displaced persons in the chaos at the end of the war is handled very well.

An excellent historical fiction book for older children taking place during WWII. The tale is full of

adventure and has a beautiful, happy ending. It is well written and would appeal to both girls and boys alike, as the main characters are a brother and sister. If you are looking for wholesome literature that values family and also gives perspective to different times and places do not hesitate to introduce this book to your child. It has a proud place upon my shelf as one of my favorite books for kids, even though I did not discover it until I was an adult.

Sharing with my grandkids...a childhood favorite!

Great book for 4th to 5th graders or early teens! The setting is WW II and this is a story about 3 children escaping Warsaw. They are separated from their parents and they travel to the Swiss Alps for refuge. I highly recommend this book. It is very adventurous and also thought provoking for children because they are thrust into a dangerous world being exposed to the elements and having to make adult decisions.

Gift for a friend...a book from their childhood.

I loved this book when I first read it in junior high school many years ago. I was happy to find it to share with my children. They have enjoyed it also. It has great characters, and gives good descriptions of the war environment without becoming too terrifying for kids. Also has a wonderful ending.

This was the first book I remember reading as a child. I loved it so much, I read it again. I purchased this book for my nine year old granddaughter hoping she will get as much enjoyment from it as I did.

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