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I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005



Synopsis

The horror of Hurricane Katrina is brought vividly to life in this fictional account of a boy, a dog, and the storm of the century. Barry's family tries to evacuate before Hurricane Katrina hits their home in New Orleans. But when Barry's little sister gets terribly sick, they're forced to stay home and wait out the storm. At first, Katrina doesn't seem to be as bad as predicted. But overnight the levees break, and Barry's world is literally torn apart. He's swept away by the floodwaters, away from his family. Can he survive the storm of the century -- alone?

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Customer Reviews

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From I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005: All Barry could see as he clung to the tree was water. The water had washed away his whole neighborhood. He tried hard not to imagine what had happened

to his mom and dad and little sister, Cleo. What if they'd all fallen into the water too? What if... Barry was shaking now. Then he heard a new sound, a cracking and groaning. He stared in shock at what was floating in the water. A house. Moving slowly, turning. Its blown-out windows seemed to stare at Barry. The splintered wood looked like teeth in a wide-open mouth. And it was coming right at him.

My son learned a lot about Hurricane Katrina. He read about 4 books from this series while being in Florida. I purchased this book as a summer read and I will tell you this, he enjoyed it because he is 9 years old and it was told from a child's perspective. He continues to ask me for them when he sees one that he hasn't read. Along with this for the summer he read Battle of Gettysburg, 1863; The Shark Attack of 1916; and I survived the Attacks of September 11th. This one really hit home because we live in Manhattan and I wanted him to understand what really happened. He decided to put the books in order and I thought that was a great idea. So would I recommend these books?????? D E F I N I T E L Y !!!!!!!

My child loved this book, and she learned so much about Katrina. While fiction, this narrative more than likely - sadly - took place far too many times during that horrific storm and aftermath. An ultimately redemptive account of one sweet family's struggle to stay alive!!!

I purchased this book for my 9 1/2 year old grandson. He really loves this series, and quite enjoyed this book. It was easy for him to read and understand, and kept him interested (and talking about it) to the end of the book. I highly recommend this book, and this series, for young readers who want something "real" to read about.

My grandson loves these books we read one every night before bed. You are a very good writer and my grandson and I both enjoy reading your books together. He is 7.Yvygfygyhygyfyuygytjygyygguvfy. T iyf yf y tyuv yf the yf but yf yf yfu yf y yf but yfu FF yf yf the yf jyf iyf jyf u try gu

These "I Survived" series are fantastic. My first-grader grandson has read a couple of these and requested more "chapter" books like them. He loves that he has graduated to "chapter" books. The stories are engaging and a child can really relate to the character/characters.

This book was purchased as a gift for a 9 year old. He was quite excited to receive it, especially

since this story references events during his year of birth. The larger series is also popular with his friends, and they share comments about which books they like the best. These books are well written to hold the attention of youngsters, so I am very pleased.

I thought this author did a great job taking me along in the story. She really gives the reader a close up view of what it must have felt like to live through such a tragic storm. I could have kept reading, I wanted to know more. I'm glad she included the plight of animals as well.

Great book for my Granddaughter

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