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Filled with archival photographs and amazing fact boxes, this groundbreaking series introduces young readers to some of history's most interesting and influential characters.

Tells the story of the farmgirl turned Christian martyr, Joan of Arc, who heard voices encouraging her to secure the throne of France for its rightful heir.

Supports the Common Core State Standards.

Joan of Arc Details

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Megan says

It was interesting to learn about Joan of Arc. She was strong of courage, and was kind. She broke quite a few rules of her time, such as dressing in men's clothes, and leading an army into war. I'm glad to have learned about her. Her story is very inspiring. The book was very informative, and helpful.

Dulcie says

My 9 year old pointed out that the author left a few things out towards the end, but this was still a great children's biography and we loved the pictures.

Vida says

This book has gorgeous visual support for the subject. It contrasts the beliefs carried from the 1400s with new research. Her trial was recorded, word by word, for posterity and a copy of the document is in this book. I learned that little, frail Jehanne D'Arc would stop at nothing to serve her God, her country and her king. It is a well written and inspiring Middle Ages biography. The TimeLine at the back, the Bibliography, Work Cited and selections For Further Study, enhance the potentialvertical knowledge and appreciation of Joan.

Erin Reilly-Sanders says

This was a sort of great little biography. I love the emphasis on photographs with good caption, as the format really helps make the history come to life, even if it's just to illustrate a point. In addition, this book also has a lot of the hallmarks of a reputable piece- a good timeline, a bibliography, suggestions for further reading, and works cited. I particularly like that the author uses so many of Jehanne's quotes to help tell the story. The text itself is pretty narrative like and spins out like a story or a series of stories that addresses the different stages in her life. The chapter on "Joan Today" is a nice way of connecting a historical story to today, although the historical pieces are actually much more interesting. This text does include a lot of longer, more complicated words but goes out of its way to define unfamiliar terms, especially religious ideas, and is generally easily readable, at least at an adult reading level.

Takuya Kitaura says

-Biography level unknown
-Time 10/18 50min 10/19 30min
From chapter 1 to 8

7 word summary Jeanne-French-girl-battled-for-soldier-Orléans

Discussion question

Joane battled for her country "France". Have you ever battled or been opposed for something?

A When I was junior high school student, my English teacher was kind to students. She was so strict. One day, I said to her, you are not a good teacher I have ever met.

Jeanne d'Arc is very famous in French history. She got a divine revelation. After that, she decided to battle for France.

Lisa says

I read this for a reading challenge task and was surprised how much I didn't remember about Joan of Arc's story. The book was a short, concise history. I liked the beautiful photos of the cathedrals, castles and architecture where some of the drama took place.

Sara says

What a fascinating life. Joan is an inspiration, and this book does a good job at giving you a glimpse of what transpired in her very existence. I personally would have liked more detail, but for a children's biography, it was well done.

Kelsey says

After a brief overview of Joan of Arc my interest was piqued about who she really was. I wasn't ready to delve into a huge historical book on her life so this was an easy read and a great way to understand Joan of Arc a little better.

Jenny says

I love these children's/juvenile DK biographies. Easy to read and follow.

Camden says

Accessible and interesting. I don't know much about Joan of Arc so I can't speak to the veracity of the text, but it seems like it would be a solid secondary source for upper-elementary students and certainly a good introduction for adults.

Janice says

Tale of the farm girl turned military leader and martyr. We read it as a read aloud. The kids enjoyed it. Hard to show the pictures because they are pretty small, but interesting. Had to explain some of the intricacies of Catholicism, etc.

Interesting in that the voices were guiding her and how the politics of the French court were her downfall.

Jacque says

This was an intriguing and heartbreakng book. I have read the story of Joan of Arc once before, but I felt this version was more detailed and based more in fact. I read this aloud to my children ages 9-13. Some of it was more graphic than I felt they were ready for, but we discussed what was happening and the differences between now and then.

Eoin says

The quality of writing in this book was not great but the story it told was incredible. It was inspiring and informational. I had known about Joan of Arc before reading this but never knew what she went through. I didn't even expect to read this. I was short a book one day so I picked it up. That's the great thing about books and stories. They have a way of finding you.

Amy says

Very approachable and filled with fun facts. My middle schooler read it quickly and wrote a report. It helped him put Henry V and the Hundred Years' War into historical perspective, by telling the story from the French side.

Calina Benassa says

I remember loving this book as a child, it taught me so much about French history and culture and I still remember what I learned to this day. I would definitely recommend this book to the curious child, but it may be too graphic for those under 10.
