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The Boxcar Children 1-4 Details

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Kristin says

My very favorite series as a child. I especially loved the first book. My sisters and I used to play "Boxcar Children." :) My kids have all loved these books as well...the original series that is.

KD204 says

The book, The Box Cart Children, is about these kids that are orphans because their mom and dad died. They have a grandfather but they think that their grandfather will not treat them right . One day they were walking around and they crossed a bakery and bought some bread and a cupcake for the you youngest child Binny, who was begging for it. Benny is about 6 years old. Henry the oldest child about 14 years old and paid for the food and Jessi the 2nd to oldest put the bread in her backpack. Violet the 3rd to oldest child violet is about 12 year old and goes to sleep right away. Then they see that a storm is about to come so Jessi asked the the woman if they could stay here for the night and they would work for them in exchange for letting them stay their. The woman agrees and let them stay the night. Wondering what happens next read the book and see what happens.

I loved this book. I love books that contain an adventure and very descriptive text .This book contains black and white illustrations and not much detail. My favorite thing about this book is the creativity that the children have and use as their advantage. The main characters are very polite and loving for everything . There is literally nothing to hate about this book.

I recommend this book for 8 and up . I read this book when I was in 3rd grade and i still have the book. Even though I am still in 6th grade and still read this book .If you love adventure and outsmarting people you will love this book.

Kim says

Elementary school.. I loved these books.. they let my little self go on an adventure .. I still remember the thrill :)

Luke Higginson says

the boxcar children are a group of kids that ran away from there grandparents. But thats because they didn't know that there grandpa was rich. there names are henry,violet,billy, and jessie. they ran away and found a boxcar in the woods so they lived in it. there parents died somehow I don't know. But it could say in the other ones because I have only read the first one. So how they meet there grandpa is henry ran a race and won and the one who gave him the prize was his grandpa. Their grandpa recognized them and got them to live with him after they realized he was rich. then they lived happily ever after the end.

Amber says

I grew up loving these books. They were a staple in my reading list. My daughter brought one home from the library recently and I hope she can find the story as interesting as I did in my youth. A great series.

Pghgranola says

As a child, I read these first 4 books of the series, over and over. My elementary school librarian joked that the library's copies might as well have been mine.

I hope my own daughter will find the same enjoyment in these books when she is older.

Shana says

I remembered loving these books as a child, especially the first and so recommended it to my 8 year old. That was 2 months ago. We read the first 4 together, she has read another 15 on her own. She says she loves them!

Of course, it happens that #19 is the last written by Gertrude Chandler, so perhaps the tone will change. my daughter likes the mysteries, the adventure, and says she prefers the "historical" stories like Surprise Island, the Bicycle Mystery, Benny Uncovers a Mystery, Treehouse Mysery, Woodshed Mystery, etc.

I like the way these children are always positive and in action, polite and work together well. Very wholesome obsession!

shana

Carolyn Burnam says

I read all the Boxcar Children books as a kid and LOVED them. They are an awesome series that are entertaining for children. I highly recommend them. Have such fond memories. Cannot wait to read and/or share them with my grandchildren one day.

Dana Goodmon says

I loved these books growing up and always got so excited for book fairs so I could buy the next one! I think a re-read is in order to relive these books of my childhood!

Kerri says

This book is geared to elementary age children, its great for helping kids learn to love reading. I loved these books because they have a good plot and the children in this book are self-reliant, positive, family oriented and very hard workers - and that is refreshing to read about these days! I think kids reading this book will enjoy the adventures and maybe even learn to find creative solutions to their problems and help each other like the siblings in this book do. Loved it!

Krista Wayment says

My Rating/Reviewing MO

When I was younger I hated reading. Bless my mothers heart she struggled so much to teach me. Then we picked up the boxcar children and started reading them out loud to each other.

I fell in love with reading after this and that summer devoured everything I could get my hands on.

This is the story of a group of siblings that find themselves living in a boxcar. It is amazing to see their resourcefulness and loyalty to each other. They even solve a mystery. I recommend these books to any young reader!

Michelle says

These books were my first reads from a public library. I still remember my mother walking me into the library for the first time and helping me pick out some books. I was in awe of the place. I remember that I initially liked these books because they were about children having an adventure on their own. We used to build forts in the back yard and on my grandpa's farm, so when I read about these kids living in a boxcar, I could immediately imagine what it must be like to make a home for yourself in that way. I kept reading them because the kids got to solve mysteries.

Adrian says

very nice book and be thankful you don't live in a boxcar

Rachel says

I really loved these books when I was younger, now I can read them in about 30 minutes but they are great for a young reader or just a quick read.

Briynne says

I loved the first one, but it stopped being fun once they stopped living in a train and started being millionaires.
