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The greatest flying machine ever built is about to crash...

For eleven-year-old Hugo Ballard, flying on the *Hindenburg* is a dream come true. Hugo, his parents, and his four-year-old sister, Gertie, are making the thrilling four-thousand-mile journey across the Atlantic in a zeppelin as big as the *Titanic*.

But as the zeppelin gets ready to land, a blast rocks the *Hindenburg* and fire consumes the ship. The entire disaster lasts a mere thirty-two seconds, but in those few seconds, Hugo finds himself separated from his family and in a desperate race to escape the flames. The *Hindenburg* is doomed. And so, it seems, is Hugo. Will he survive this historic disaster?

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Karen says

These books are very dear to our hearts because Ben reads them to us before bedtime. Great historical fiction books! You learn so many interesting things in a fun (non-factual) way...krb 10/30/17

Terance W. says

This book was one of the better I Survived books out of this series. What the author did well was he really tried to involve a background story instead of just hopping right into the action. My favorite part was when they were describing the Hindenburg as a big animal opening opening jaws.

Margie says

Great series for tweens and teens or anyone.

Thomas says

Personal Response: I really liked the book >I Survived The Hindenburg Disaster by Lauren Tarshis. I enjoyed the part where Hugo had to protect his friend who was a U.S. spy. He had to distract him so the spy could get away. The reason was that Hugo was in an area he wasn't supposed to be because he was trying to get his sister's dog for her to keep her fever down. There was an evil looking man that caught him and asked why he was in that restricted area. He froze in place and didn't know what to say, but the spy still managed to get away and Hugo got his sister's dog for his sister. I also liked the part where one of the ship members threw Hugo out the window to save him from the crash.

Plot: The book started off where Hugo and his family had to go to Kenya from the U.S. and stay for a year. During that year they needed to go back to the U.S. for the cure for Malaria that Gertie had gotten. She was getting high fevers, which was the reason they had to go back to the U.S. They had seen a doctor before in Germany, but he couldn't help them so they had to go to New York to see another doctor to get the cure. During a ride Gertie wanted her dog so Hugo went into the restricted area which was the cargo hold to go and get the dog for his sister. Even though Hugo went in the cargo hold he was scared because there was word that there was a spy on the Hindenburg. He didn't want to get caught, but he wanted to get his sister's dog for his sister. He got the dog and then he heard someone behind him, it was the spy and there was a soldier right behind him. Hugo decided to help by distracting the soldier so the spy could get away. The spy barely got away and Hugo was able to get the dog for his sister. His sister Gertie's fever went away and she was happy. The Hindenburg was about to land when a storm started, they couldn't land the Hindenburg with the storm so they had to wait it out. After the storm, they were going to land when they heard a boom and the Hindenburg started on fire and was free falling. Hugo looked for his family to help get off the Hindenburg. But Hugo was grabbed by someone and as the Hindenburg got closer to the ground Hugo jumped off. He

survived the fall and watched the Hindenburg continue to fall. Then he saw Gertie and his parents and they went to a hospital to treat Gertie for her malaria.

Characterization: Hugo was an 11 year-old boy who had a four-year-old sister named Gertie. His parents were taking him on the Hindenburg with his sister to see another doctor to hopefully cure his sister of malaria. Hugo was an explorer. He loved exploring and doing things. He was happy to go and find his sister's dog for her.

Setting: In May of 1937 the Hindenburg was attempting to land in New Jersey when it caught fire. They had gone 4000 miles across the Atlantic Ocean in a Zeppelin which was as big as the Titanic was. The reason that is so amazing is that they had gotten a gigantic football field sized balloon across the ocean. The setting is important because back then it was a lot harder to rebuild everything and fix all the damages.

Recommend: I rated this book four out of five stars because I really liked how Hugo risked a lot for his sister. Also, because I never really knew about the Hindenburg until I read this book. I recommend this book to anyone from the ages of 10 to 18.

Kim Hampton says

A great way to teach kids about history.

Ben says

This was a very good edition to the I Survived series. I am getting a little old for these books so I felt I had to read the only one I hadn't read. It was suspenseful and it had a lot of action. I recommend this book to people who have read the I Survived series.

Lexi says

In Lauren Tarshis's book I SURVIVED THE HINDENBURG DISASTER, 1937 Hugo's family is on the Hindenburg to come to America from Germany. They are on the Hindenburg to save Hugo's younger sister ,Gerties, life. She is very sick with fevers. I think this book is very exciting because it leaves you in suspense a lot. The Hindenburg crashes right before it land in America and Hugo's family ends up jumping out of the burning airship.

Nicolas The Chevy Duramax Hartley says

I thought it was a great book

Juli says

There are 17 books in the I Survived series. Each book tells a fictionalized eye-witness account of a historical disaster or event. The books are for kids, so the protagonist of each book is a child, usually about 10-11 years old. This series is excellent! The stories are a mix of historical fact and fictionalized story, bringing the events alive for middle-grade age students. The books range from modern events like 9/11 to more ancient disasters like the destruction of Pompeii.

I Survived the Hingenburg Disaster, 1937 is the 13th book in the series. Hugo is 11 and travelling on the Hindenburg with his parents and little sister, Gertie. Hugo's mother is a little bit afraid to fly on an airship, but Hugo tells her it's the safest mode of travel with the fewest accidents. Little does he know that when they arrive in New Jersey on May 6th, 1937 that the ship is going to explode while landing. A family adventure turns into a dangerous, life threatening disaster. 35 people died in the disaster, and was the beginning of the end for airship travel.

This book is excellent and could easily be used in a classroom situation. It could be used to encourage kids to read, as supplemental reading for a history lesson or to read out loud to a class of students. Kids interested in history would love this series. The topics are varied and the event is related in realistic terms but not too graphic. Just enough detail....but not too much. The contents are age appropriate for middle-grade age children. As an adult, I enjoy this series as well. I like to read children's books in between heavier adult fiction to give my brain a bit of a break. I love history, so this series is perfect for me.

The cover art for this series is always colorful and eye-catching. The stories are interesting with lots of action. This series might be a good choice for kids who are reluctant readers.

TheBookWorm says

I am giving this book a three. Now hang on. I'm not saying the book is bad! It is very informational, and I still think it is good. The reason I am giving it a three though is because I think that these books are for littler kids. I'm not an 8 year old anymore. The books are still fun to read at times, but I believe that those types of books are for littler kids. Now you may be wondering, "then why did you read it if you think they are for littler kids" and my answer to that is that it is always fun to sit down with a book that you used to like, and have a blast to past. It's kind of like how I used to like these minecraft books, like the GameKnight 999 series and other series like that. Then, I kind of grew out of them. After a while though, I found that they had come out with newer books like that that were either following the original series, or it was another little series that branched off. I decided to give it a try, and guess what, I actually liked it! So I am not saying that the book is bad, or that I didn't like it, I'm just saying that people will grow out of certain genres, and I think that I have grown out of the I survived genre. That does not mean that I will not go back and read them! It just means that I will first read other books, then maybe come back to them one day.

Katherine says

It was good!

Mathias Seiwert says

Read to my ten year old daughter. Quite an interesting book--well-written, informative, entertaining.

Louis Knecht says

Personal Response:

I read the book *The Hindenburg Disaster* by Lauren Tarshis. It was an intriguing, historical, and informative book. Overall, I enjoyed the historical aspect of the novel and stayed interested throughout its entirety.

Plot:

Many interesting events took place in the novel's plot. The protagonist, Hugo, as well as his mom, dad, and sister, Gertie, all moved to Kenya to study the African safari. They stayed in Africa for a while, then Gertie became sick with malaria. The family went to Germany to see a special doctor, but none of their efforts helped Gertie. The German doctor told them that there was a medicine in the United States that could help save Gertie. The fastest way back to the US was by the Hindenburg. The Hindenburg was a gigantic zeppelin. It completed many trips from Germany to the US and back across the Atlantic ocean. The Hindenburg was supposedly very safe, even with it being filled with highly flammable hydrogen gas. On the Hindenburg Hugo met a girl named Marty and her dad Mr.Seller. Mr.Seller was one of the men who helped design the Hindenburg. Mr.Seller was also a spy who stole a list of names of German spies who were in the United States during this time. When they were about to land, the Hindenburg, it burst into flames. Mr.Seller grabbed Hugo and they jumped out the window but both of them survived. They were badly burned but after multiple weeks in the hospital they healed.

Characterization:

The main character in this novel was Hugo. Hugo was a young boy who was very excited to ride on the Hindenburg. He enjoyed the entire ride, besides the crash landing which severely burned him. Another main character was Hugo's little sister, Gertie. Gertie had a bad case of malaria after traveling in Africa. She had a bad fever on the zeppelin but when they made it to New York she received medicine that made her much better.

Setting:

This book took place in May of 1937 on the Hindenburg zeppelin. This was when the Hindenburg came down in flames while trying to land. This was very important because if the family wasn't on the zeppelin at this time, the entire climax of the book would be gone.

Recommendation:

I would recommend this book to 12-14 year old males that like to learn about history. It was an informative book about the Hindenburg and the main character was a boy, so it would be easier for males to relate to. I would recommend it for this age group because it was an easy read.

Zach Heisler says

Personal Response:I really liked this book, because it gave me a very good and descriptive idea of what the Hindenburg disaster was like.

Plot: Hugo had lived in a place called Kenya, Africa. It was full of wildlife. Hugo's little sister was diagnosed with Malaria and became very ill. The doctor in Kenya said that doctors in New York had come up with a new medicine to cure Malaria.

Hugo and his family had to take an airship known as the Hindenburg to travel to New York. Nazis were onboard to find and capture a spy for the U.S. The spy had stolen a document from the Nazis that had secret information.

Hugo and his dad got a tour of the Hindenburg from the owner of a company that made zeppelins.

Gertie, Hugo's little sister was even worse now.

Hugo snuck into the storage area to bring their dog back to Gertie. Hugo discovered the owner of the company who made zeppelins was the spy. Hugo kept it a secret from the Nazis.

Just before the Hindenburg was about to land, it burst into flames. The owner of the company who builds zeppelins rescued Hugo out of the Hindenburg right before it crashed.

When the Hindenburg crashed, one of the water bags popped and poured out of the zeppelin. The water stopped Hugo and the company owner from burning. Gertie was cured from Malaria one month later. Hugo was good to come home after recovery from the crash.

Recommendation: I recommend this book to kids ages 8 to 12, because I thought it gave the reader a good picture of what happened in the Hindenburg disaster.

Bat713 says

Learned something new with this young child series.
