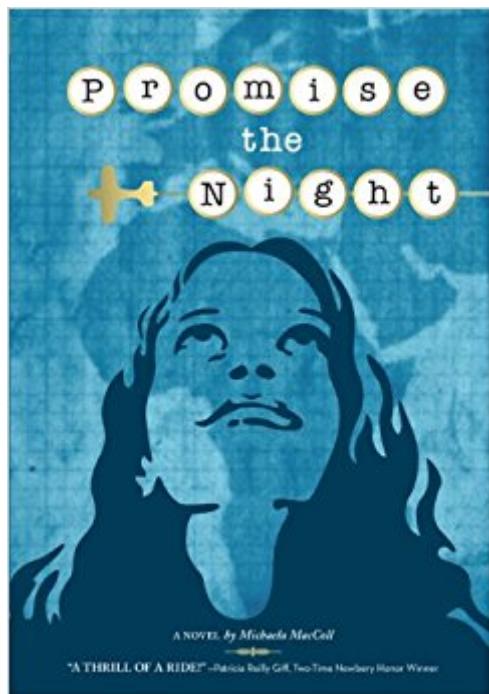


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## Synopsis

Immediately compelling and action-packed, this carefully researched work of historical fiction introduces young readers to the childhood of the famous yet elusive Beryl Markham, the first person to fly solo from England to North America. As in her debut novel, *Prisoners in the Palace*, MacColl propels readers into a multilayered story with an unforgettable heroine and evocative language that brings the backdrop of colonial British East Africa to life. A fascinating read for anyone with a thirst for adventure.

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Michaela MacColl studied multi-disciplinary history at Yale University, which turns out to be the perfect degree for writing historical fiction.

My son was assigned this book for middle school and my wife and I read it as well. All three of us enjoyed it a lot. I felt that the ending was rushed, but I am very glad to have read it. It is the type of

book that sparks conversation and thought. Very enjoyable!

Today's middle schoolers often lack real world role models to challenge their character development. I remember reading my way through shelves of biographies in my school library's biography section. However, my own 10 year-old granddaughter shows no such desire, preferring rather to get lost in fantasies where children, cats, and magic determine the world's fate. Thus, I chose to read this book in hopes of enticing her to dream a little more realistically about her own future. My conclusion? This author chose an interesting writing style in which to communicate the biography of a woman with a great deal of character and determination. I am looking forward to challenging my granddaughter's character growth and understanding of the world around her with this book during her middle school years.

I loved this book. I bought it for my pre-teen girls and they loved it too. It was wonderful to be able to talk to my girls about the fact that this book was based on a true story. The girls couldn't get over how different of a life the girl in the story had as compared with our own experiences. It really opened up that sense of wonder for them and I loved seeing that in them. The story really captivated me as well as the kids.

Wonderful book.

Wonderful retelling of many facts in Berle Cutterbucks life. Michaela uses her story writing ability to make this story interesting and fun.

Best book I have read

I enjoyed the juxtaposition of scenes from Beryl Markham's childhood and her flight westward across the Atlantic. Some people don't like that, but I did not feel that it detracted at all. It was an interesting biography.

I liked this book. It's rather entertaining, interesting and easy to read. This book will make you smile for sure. Very positive

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