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Synopsis

In 2000 Harcourt proudly reissued Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's masterpiece, *The Little Prince*, in a sparkling new format. Newly translated by Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Richard Howard, this timeless classic was embraced by critics and readers across the country for its purity and beauty of expression. And Saint-Exupéry's beloved artwork was restored and remastered to present his work in its original and vibrant colors. Now Harcourt is issuing uniform full-color foreign language editions. The restored artwork glows like never before. These affordable and beautiful editions are sure to delight an entire new generation of readers, students, children, and adults for whom Saint-Exupéry's story will open the door to a new understanding of life.

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This is a beautiful reading in French of the famous story on CD. The French actors reading the various parts use expression and make the story come alive. They read fast but it is fun to read along with them and hear the correct pronunciation of the words if you already own a copy of the book in French. It is inspiring to hear such confident native speakers. I think this is an excellent learning tool for studying and learning French. If you are a beginning or intermediate student of French, you will know most of the vocabulary but may not how to say the words in seamless sentences like this. After hearing this read a few times, I think you will have learned the French pronunciation and want to hear other French stories on CD as it is much more entertaining to hear the story than just reading the story by yourself. I ordered this CD from the Librairie Française in New York and got really fast personal service. The agent walked my order to the post office the same day as my order and I got it the next day.

the book i keep hearing about when I first started learning French.. took me a couple of tries but its well worth the effort I'm gonna read it again just because :)

. . . what a classic!! I was first introduced to this story in middle-school. I'll freely admit that I was not the best French student -- and even though I passed my graduate reading exam in French for an MA, my French is still not that strong. Fine. Read the book in English, if your French isn't that good! (Preferably the FIRST English edition, not the "updated" version!) This is a beautiful and poignant story which will resonate with all but the hardest of hearts. I wish to visit Asteroid B-612!

This edition of the book is wonderful. The images are in full color, as created by the author. I ordered four copies of this edition to teach my small class of French IV students. They are loving the story and the complex lessons taught. The author states that he doesn't want the book to be read lightly by "les grandes personnes" so this is taught with a historical, philosophical and religious emphasis. Read in French or in English, it is a perfect story for all ages.

Love this story so much. Learning french, so I thought it would be fun to read it in the original language.

So excited to read Le Petite Prince in the original French with my baby daughter. I somehow never read this growing up and heard everyone rave about it once I was an adult. Now I see what all the fuss is about. It's fantastic! And the illustrations are so lovely. I was surprised at how much text there is. Being a children's book, I was thinking it would be more like Dr. Suess in length, but it is actually a wonderful children's novel, which is great both because of how good it is and because it gives more opportunity for practicing French with my daughter who I want to be a polyglot.

It's a book that I would use to introduce children to philosophy. It covers what it means to be a friend, what home means, what it means to tame an animal.. and so much more. It doesn't outright ask these questions or provide answers to them but broaches the thoughts in such a way that invites you think about it for years to come. In fact, I recommend revisiting it yourself from time to time.

Of course it gets 5 stars, such an amazing little tale.

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