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RUNAWAY AT SEA

BY MARGREIT MAITLAND

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A naïve plan to run away and cruel misfortune puts twelve-year-old Robert and his best friend Michael on a British naval vessel. When the boys are found huddling at the bottom of a lifeboat, they are forced into service and their hopes for an easy passage are crushed. Now they must figure out how to survive in this harsh maritime world and find a way out, without getting shot as deserters.

Horrible squalls, a mysterious initiation at the Equator, and an untimely death during a perilous rounding of Cape Horn fill the months with adventure. An unexpected opportunity to escape suddenly presents itself and the boys muster the courage to desert. Immediately, they are lost in a dense and dangerous jungle and must learn a new way to stay alive.

Reviews

Margreit Maitland's *Runaway At Sea*, is an action-packed, historical fiction adventure. It captured the attention of my middle school students and is guaranteed to keep you eagerly reading, from start to finish. The author has finesse in creating real-life characters and a plot that puts you in the center of the action. A necessary purchase if you're looking to instill empathy and compassion into others. I am looking forward to the next book.

Lori Mahoney, English Language Arts Teacher, Stanford Middle School, Plattsburgh, NY

Impressive debut by Margreit Maitland. The story draws you in on a nautical adventure through the eyes of a teenage boy who experiences hardship and tragedy on the high seas. Beautifully written with attention to detail in storytelling and well-developed characters.

Maggie Santagato, Long Island, NY

Runaway At Sea is an adventure book that you don't want to miss. I kept wanting to read more. With such vivid details, it put you right there with the crew. But it also gives you a lesson to stand up for yourself. A true treasure of a book.

Barbara Steppe, Long Island, NY

Runaway At Sea does what every good read should: transport the reader to a different time and place. During your adventure, you'll sail the seas and trek through the rain forest alongside 12-year-old Robert and his best friend Michael as they run from their problems. But as these boys begin their journey into manhood, they learn an important lesson: you can't run away from your problems.

Mr. Edward Grosskreuz, English Teacher Mephram High School, Bellmore N.Y.



ADVENTURER AT SEA

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Thrilling twists and turns surround Robert and Michael as they continue their adventures around the world's oceans. Aboard a whaling vessel with their family of shipmates, a perilous hunt causes the death of a beloved friend and it is the catalyst for the boys renewing their vow to get to America.

On a remote exotic island the boys hunt for wild boar and become immersed in the exotic life of the natives and missionaries. Robert falls for a beautiful young girl and his heart breaks when he has to leave.

A raging storm puts the whaler in jeopardy and the boys barely escape. The fate of the ship is unknown but they are rescued and soon find out they are on their way to war.

A battle ensues and Robert is gravely injured. Unexpected events make his long sought-after destiny uncertain and he has no idea how or if he will ever be able to find America.

Reviews

"The reader is immediately immersed in the adventure of Robert and Michael; stowaways and best friends, in their quest to reach America. A true adventure story that I could not put down. After reading the first book, "Runaway at Sea," I was thrilled to read "Adventurer at Sea" and continue to follow Robert and Michael in their action-packed and heartwarming escapade."

~Denise Bento School Librarian, Nassau County, NY

"Margreit Maitland's "Adventurer at Sea" continues the story of our favorite two boys with lots of new discoveries! With thrilling twists and unexpected turns, Robert and Micheal travel with familiar faces along with unforgettable new ones! The story hooks you in as we follow the whereabouts of the boys, and embark on their journey alongside them! If you're looking for an action-packed novel to keep you on your toes every step of the way, this won't fail to satisfy you!" ~Amanda Bremer Long Island, NY College Student

What Readers are Saying ...

"This story is a delight to read and makes it easy to imagine what it would've been like to sail the seas 150 years ago. Some of the details make you feel like you are part of the crew, stowaway or not. The fact that it was all a family story makes it even more incredible and I'm ready for the next "chapter."

"I bought this book for my young nephew to read, because we both love tales of the sea. After reading the first page, I couldn't put it down. The author does a great job immersing the reader in the life of a boy who stows away on a ship with his friend. I'm very eager to read the sequel!"

"From the first pages you're drawn into the adventure and the author keeps you there throughout the book. I'm looking forward to the next volume to see what happens I do highly recommend this fun action-filled story. Bravo Margreit!!"

"Intriguing characters, Action-packed historically based storyline. Quick read. Definitely looking forward to what lies ahead for the main characters. Hope the next novel in the series isn't too far off."

**"I was completely engrossed from the beginning...
It was a great escape for me during the pandemic!
I am buying this book for family and friends this year as gifts!"**

"Margreit Maitland's well-written tale of a young boy's escape from an abusive older brother to exciting but danger-filled experiences on a sea-faring vessel captivated my attention throughout. A fascinating side-note is that the events in the book are based on the journal writings of the author's great, great, great grandfather saved through the generations! An endearing characterization of Robert, detailed information about early navigation, and a suspense-filled storyline contribute to an enjoyable and educational read."

"I was fortunate to get an early copy and was so enthralled that I had to write a review. The book is superb, and I was completely taken by the story of these two boys. It's a very impressive debut novel, and I look forward to reading the continued adventures! If you have a middle-school reader who loves adventure, this is the book!"

"From the minute I read the first page, this is truly a book that I could not put down. The reader becomes part of the adventure. I found myself on the boat and in the jungle with Robert and Michael.. The reader is transported to another time and place, thanks to the superb writing. A true adventure story!!"

About the Author

Becoming an author was a dream floating in my mind for as long as I can remember. All my life, I loved to read all kinds of books & get lost in a story. In order to fulfill my dream to write I needed an original idea. Enter my grandfather who gave me a journal recounting an adventurous trek around the world by my ancestor Robert. It captured my imagination, & bringing his story of joy, heartbreak, & courage to life for middle-grade readers became my passion.

Since I published "Runaway At Sea" and "Adventurer At Sea", I have created innovative ways to teach kids & grown-ups all about writing, from concept development to finished work.

My goal is to help anyone who wants to write discover their potential & original ideas while understanding how to put their story together to capture the imagination of readers.

I am an enthusiastic supporter of literature, education, science, wildlife, and nature. As a kid, I loved to muck around in the mud searching for hermit crabs and other tiny or large inhabitants of the natural world. I enjoy living on Long Island, with my treasured family and friends and lots of beaches.

In the future, I look forward to sharing many more stories and writing resources.



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