



The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls
Reviewed by Anushka



Autobiography

Give a summary without spoilers!

The Glass Castle is a moving book about perseverance as well as a startling glimpse into a complexly flawed yet remarkably vibrant family. When sober, Jeannette's smart and charismatic father captivated his kids' attention by imparting knowledge of physics and how to live life freely. However, he became dishonest and destructive when he drank. Her mother was a free spirit who detested domesticity and didn't want the duty of taking care of a family. The Walls kids discovered how to look after themselves. They took care of one another's needs for clothing, safety, and food and eventually made it to New York. While the children succeeded, their parents decided to follow them and continue to live on the streets. *The Glass Castle* is an amazing memoir infused with the passionate love of an odd but devoted family.

What drew you to this book?

This book was part of my school's curriculum, but I wanted to keep reading because of the resilience shown by the Walls kids, who practically had to survive on their own due to their parents' parenting styles.

Did it remind you of something that you've previously read?

This book didn't remind me of anything that I had read or seen before, but I know a movie was made based on it, which was also very well done.

To whom would you recommend this book?

I would recommend this book to anyone who likes to read autobiographies and to anyone who would like to read about overcoming adversity and family relationships.

Overall, did you like it and would you recommend it to others?

I did like this book, and I would recommend it to others because it is a very powerful book on Jeannette Walls' family and how she struggled to live her life because of her parents' choices and parenting styles.

Anything else that you would like to add to this review? What made you choose it? Did you like the cover? Was it recommended to you? Did you find it at the library?

Even though this book was part of my school's curriculum, I think it is definitely worth reading because of how well written it is and how it is a great story of resilience.