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Describes the conditions of African Americans in the North and the South during and immediately after the Civil War.

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Emily says

As part of the American Girls collection, Addy's story is, of course, fiction; however, the information in the book (outside of the snippets of Addy's story that are shared) is factual. What's different about this book as opposed to the other juvenile lit Civil War books I've read is that it's from the perspective of African Americans, both slaves and freedmen, and so looks more closely at some disturbing and shameful aspects of the time period. It's done at an age appropriate level, but it's still one to make sure you either read with your child or discuss together afterwards. It also focuses more on the culture and society of the time period rather than the battles and military movements. Lots and lots of pictures, photos, reproductions of period posters and illustrations, including some unique ones I haven't seen in other books: quilts and other beautiful pieces of art created by slaves, cut-aways showing the layout of different homes, etc.

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Annalise says

I really liked this book. very good historic stuff.

Stephanie says

My kids loved this book. The pictures are great, and it complimented our study of the Civil War nicely.

Ashley Fischer says

This book is really set up nicely for children. It uses pictures but also words to describe and show each piece of life during this time in history. It is a great way for students to compare and contrast how life is now for them and how it was back then. I would use this book to introduce either the Civil War or I could even use it to set up a unit on comparing generations and show them the book and then have them interview their grandparents to see what life was like at that time in history also.

Miri says

This American girl companion book contains lots of trivia and information about the civil war, slavery and life in 1864, from fashions to games kids played.

Kelly says

A very nice intro to the Civil War. So much more could have been covered, but that's going really deep into causes. Overall was a great read for the age bracket intended.

Christine Marie? says

Another great, informational read that combines an American Girl, photos, and writing together to create an enjoyable historical experience. Must read for all AG and history fans.

Callie Stillion says

In Addy`s time the Civil War is going on. She knows that she is going to suffer under the consequences of the Civil War. Her father and brother as a slave. Her and Momma having to run away. And especially her sister meeting her, but not remembering her. But then finally she knows the Civil War is over, and because she doesn`t know what her birthday is, her birthday is then.

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Cortny Green says

Welcome to Addy's World is an Independent Publisher Book Award (IPPY) for Most Inspirational to Youth & Juvenile/YA Nonfiction . Addy is growing up during the civil war and her family must make the hard decisions. While Addy's story is fiction, the information and pictures in the book is nonfiction. This story carefully and beautifully puts together a work of fiction and work of nonfiction together, allowing readers to get a good visual of what was happening during the Civil War, especially for African Americans.

This book is a great book to assign students to read if you go over the Civil War, Inequality, anything to do with African American history. After your students read the book, have them a worksheet ready so they can answer some questions about the book and what they've read. Leave most of the questions or all the questions open ended instead of multiple choice, so you can assess what your students were able to learn and feel when they were reading the book.
