

JOY SERIES

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Series Fiction | Ages 9+ | Paperback | 5 x 7 ¾ | 224 pp | \$7.99

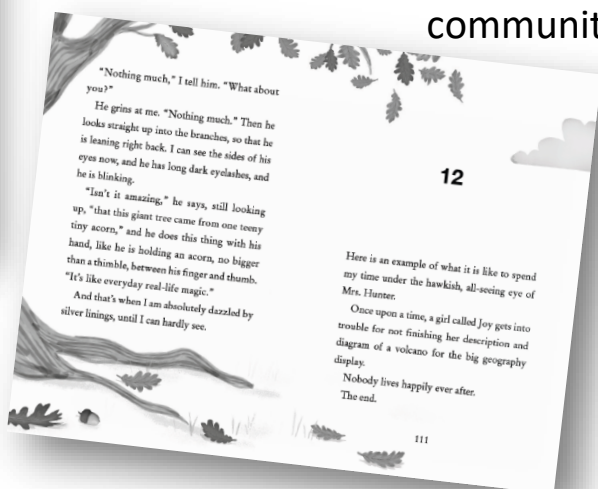
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The ever-optimistic ten-year-old Joy is challenged to find the silver linings when she and her family move in with Granddad.



- Transition to longer fiction.
- First-person narrator with distinct voice and confidential tone.
- Colorful writing; extensive use of metaphor, simile.
- Fast paced, humor, strong characters.
- Uplifting, positive, empowering, hopeful, engaging, thought-provoking.
- Family, friendship, home, travel, global awareness, eco-friendliness, community.



Additional Information

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Nurture the essential skill of hope in young readers.

Demonstrate the power of positivity.

Support kindness, eco-consciousness, resilience.

Engage through humor, relatable characters, realistic scenarios.

Offer insight into other places and cultures around the world.

• Springboard for discussion and activities in classroom and at home.

- Examine the literary devices and language, such as similes, figures of speech, and so on
- Use the places the Applebloom family has lived for map and culture studies
- Assess and discuss the characters, their motivations, how they do or don't change
- Consider how instances of intolerance and bullying are treated in the stories
- Discuss how the stories serve to empower readers



• Display opportunities:

- As a tie-in to holidays
 - National Make a Friend Day, February 11
 - Positive Thinking Day, September 13
 - Look on the Bright Side Day, December 21
- Along with Mindful Kids series, A Book of ... series
- Along with "All ages" picture books, such as *Don't Forget, Extraordinary!*

• For the customer who likes:

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- *How to Write the Soundtrack to Your Life*
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- *Ella Diaries series*
*Meredith Costain * Danielle McDonald * 15 titles*



Review Praise

"... relatable and charming story. Comical and whimsical, with a lovable and precocious narrator." – *Kirkus Reviews* (A Girl Called Joy)

"... the first-person narrative is sometimes amusing, sometimes touching, and consistently involving." – *Booklist* (A Girl Called Joy)

"An empowering and heartwarming example of using kindness to face challenges and help others." – *Kirkus Reviews* (Love from Joy)

"A joyful celebration of navigating life's changes and challenges." – *Kirkus Reviews* (Planet Joy)



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