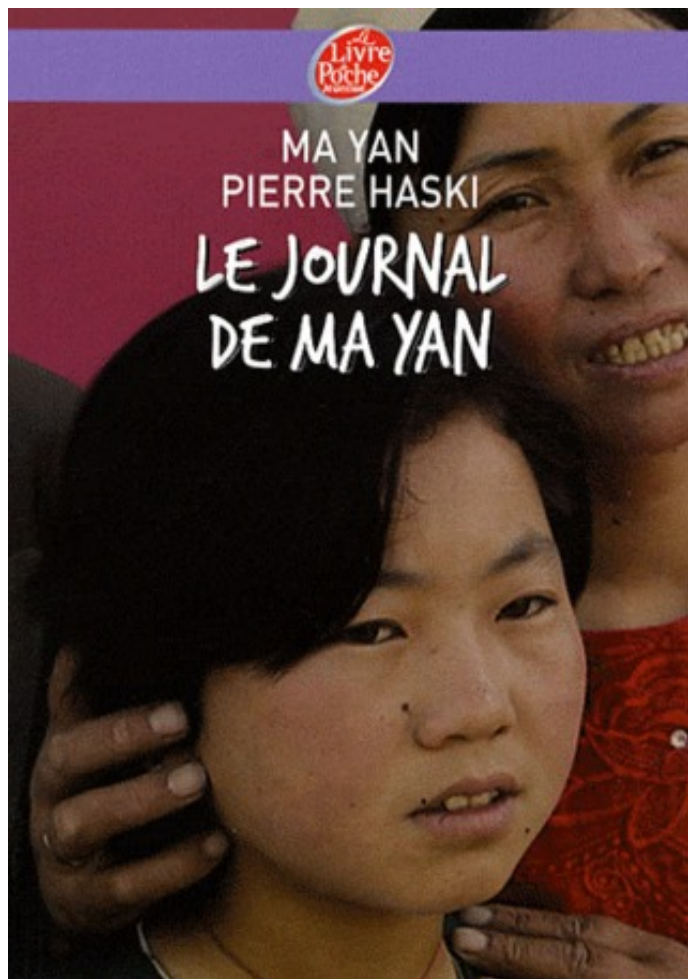

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Description

Ma Yan, fille de paysans très pauvres du nord-ouest de la Chine, apprend un jour que sa famille n'a plus les moyens de l'envoyer à l'école.

A treize ans, tous ses rêves s'effondrent. Pour crier sa révolte, la jeune fille écrit plusieurs carnets, où elle raconte son quotidien, très rude. Bouleversée par le désespoir de sa fille, la mère de Ma Yan confie les carnets à des Français de passage. Parmi eux, le journaliste Pierre Haski, correspondant français du journal Libération à Pékin. La bouteille à la mer est arrivée à bon port... Texte abrégé par l'auteur.

Insightful reviews

Jonathan H: I believe Ma Yan's message in *The Diary of Ma Yan* is that education and a hard ethic work is the only way out of poverty and starvation. This novel takes place in the rural area of Ningxia China during the early 2000s. Ningxia is home to the Hui people, a minority in China. The Hui people are Chinese-Muslim opposed to the other religions in China. *The Diary of Ma Yan* is told through the eyes of the ambitious young schoolgirl, Ma Yan. Ma Yan's family is extremely poor and don't have regular meals. Her mother who has a life threatening disease, goes off pick fa cai to earn enough money to send Ma Yan and her two younger brothers to school. Her father meanwhile is doing labor in distant lands to also earn money for Ma Yan and her brothers. Ma Yan knows that her parents are starving themselves, and her mother is working risking her life with an illness that could kill her, in order to give them the chance of education that they never had. Ma Yan tries her hardest in school and overcomes hunger, frustration, and hopelessness. Ma Yan climbs her way to the top of the class to prove to her parents that they are not doing all this hard work for nothing. Ma Yan faces many other challenges. She must walk miles to school and protect herself on the way from robbers. She endures long periods without food to save enough money for just a pen so that she could write her diary.

This novel, written from Ma Yan's Diary was truly a touching journey. One of the parts of the book I enjoyed the most was the character, Ma Yan's mother. It describes her as a devoted mother who, despite her stomach illness will go to hard work in order to send her daughter and sons to school. Ma Yan's mother is such an amazing admirable strong character. She will do anything to give her kids the life she never had. She suffers in order to give her kids a better future. She is one of my favorite characters in any book I have read. She is truly a mother to admire. This book kind of reminds me of the book *A Long Walk To Water* by Lind Sue Park, a book about the struggles of a girl in Africa. Even though this book reminds me of Ma Yan's Diary there is not comparison between the two books. Ma Yan's Diary was different, and I liked it more. This book also reminds me of the value of education to my family and many other families across the globe. The strengths of this book are definitely the characters. The story was also very interesting and never kept you bored. This book will get emotions out of you. The only weakness is that unfortunately part of the diary were missing, because Ma Yan's father used the paper to roll cigars. So in the novel there are some sections that are missing and then it resumes later. I really enjoyed this book and would recommend it to anyone, especially if they liked learning about life in other countries.

Adrienne: The perfect book to show how important education is: that a girl would fight so hard for herself, her family, and against fate! What a beautiful story.

Viky S. Deneault: I read this book a long time ago. I remember that as a kid it took me a few attempts to read it fully, because it was quite repetitive and the fact that Ma Yan's dad burnt some pages upset me haha...

I feel like the story was really inspiring and motivational.

Knowing you won't suffer from hunger and will have a warm home at the end of the day... well it's not given to everyone. Through this extreme poverty, you can still see a young girl's dreams and hopes (which is heartbreaking). A lot of themes are approached such as poverty, labor, family, education, sexism, violence...

My only complain is that the book could have been presented in a better way.

Sophie Zapoli: This booklet used to be an inspiring and eye-opening testimony to the significance of an schooling that brings the statistics, testing, and confirmed proof concerning the merits of schooling to existence on a degree of intimacy with Ma Yan, only one consultant of such a lot of that suffer as she does simply to learn. The Diary of Ma Yan is a narrative that won't simply to be enjoyed, it is a tale that teaches and makes us reconsider whenever somebody desires to whinge approximately going to varsity or being "hungry" ever again. The luxuries we do not even think carefully approximately having comparable to easily a unmarried pen turn out to be dream for these within the maximum depths of poverty, having to reside with the strain that what is purchasing your schooling is your parent's personal sweat slaving away within the fields to permit you possibilities they by no means had and the disgrace of now not repaying them along with your luck are all principles found in this deeply relocating account that offers it this kind of robust influence on its' readers. the way in which that those easy phrases written by way of a standard schoolgirl has replaced such a lot of people's teach of suggestion and actions, together with me, is beautiful but whereas analyzing it i may truly see why. whereas from time to time the writing lacks aspect or a lot of a plot and the belief of having an schooling turns into tremendous repetitive the purpose of this ebook was once to not supply a narrative seeing the writer had no inspiration her mystery recommendations might at some point be learn through such a lot of humans yet to make an effect on its' readers and in that it absolutely succeeded.

Hayley: WHAT THE ebook used to be ABOUT: It used to be Ma Yan's diary so it was once pretty well as regards to her life. numerous occasions she used to be involved she would not be capable of ever visit college again, a number of instances she's ravenous of hunger, and her mom is sick. The booklet is admittedly cool and it is fairly neat the way it teaches you many approximately China. WHAT I beloved in regards to the BOOK: I loved that it was once actual and the way it taught me approximately China, more often than not chinese language currency. The publishers additionally stopped the diary each on occasion to give an explanation for somethings approximately China and Ma Yan's existence and culture. WHAT i did not LIKE concerning the BOOK: a few issues have been type of complicated and the booklet obtained very uninteresting sometimes, because it used to be only a diary. a few days of your existence are uninteresting and a few are interesting. MY favourite individual within the BOOK: Ma Yan of

course. MY LEAST favourite individual within the BOOK: i do not know. i did not in contrast to any of them. probably one in every of her academics that used to be mean? i do not rather know. MY favourite SCENE within the BOOK: i am not fairly sure. I cherished loads of scenes. MY LEAST favourite SCENE: while she was once so hungry and did not have any fen or yuan (money in China) to shop for any food. That used to be so sad. WHAT AGE i might RECCOMEND THE ebook FOR: most likely 9 and up, might be ten. there is not something undesirable within the publication that i will be able to recall, other than considered one of her lecturers is more or less suggest and hits the students. additionally it'd be challenging for a few young ones analyzing it to understand how hungry she was, she was once actually starving. RATING OUT OF FIVE: 4 stars. It wasn't awesome, however it wasn't undesirable either.

TheLibraryOfSarah: i like Ma Yan as somebody so much. via her actual diary entries she finds her desires of creating it via her schooling and getting an exceptional occupation to get her relations out of poverty. You can't support yet love and root for this girl! She has such determination, she's consistently announcing how she needs to proceed to paintings more durable and tougher in her studies. She's now not the easiest in her class, yet she has this type of powerful paintings ethic. Ma Yan is so selfless, she wishes greater than something to ease the pain of her poverty-stricken family. She talks approximately her kin with such love and devotion, that's anything you don't fairly pay attention from young ones in America. Pros: Ma Yan is a really likeable individual with a truly inspiring story. She writes good and you'll vividly think the area she lives in. She describes what starvation and chilly think like so good that it sounds like you're there. There also are breaks among a few diary entries the place the editors train you in regards to the a part of China she lives in, her culture, and the way the college method works there that have been very interesting. Cons: Her entries are very repetitive. She writes generally approximately what she did in school, approximately how she needs to get her relations out of poverty, and that she needs to proceed to paintings harder. this can be all reliable content, yet it's actually virtually each entry. In the tip I gave it 4/5 stars, just because i like Ma Yan quite a bit and her tale is so inspiring.

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