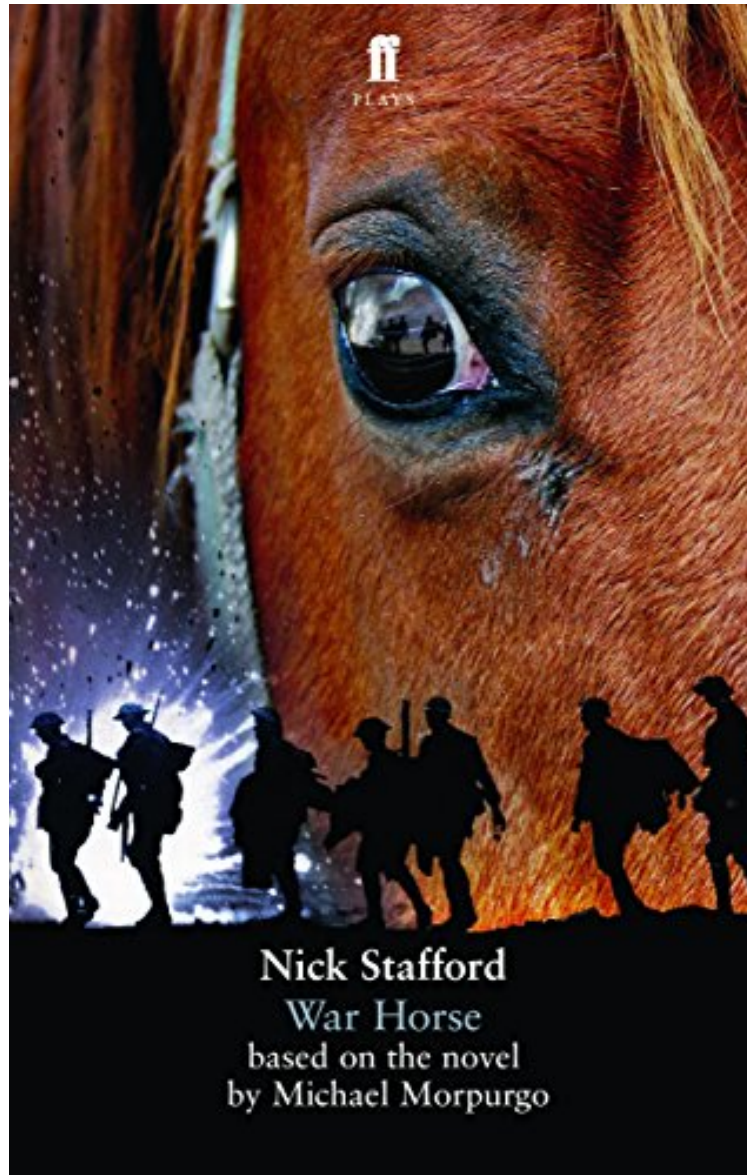


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Nick Stafford : War Horse before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised War Horse:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Horse Is Not Just A Horse By Byron Tucker review submitted by: Bryson Tucker The book War Horse is about a horse. It is a story about the horse's life from when he was little to when he worked on a farm and then went to war. It is also about the different people that the horse lives with and how they treat him. It is also about the friendships that the horse has with the people that help him and with other horses.

My favorite character was the horse Joey. He was really different and cool. He seemed really strong and he worked hard. He never gave up no matter what was happening to him. All of the characters seemed real to me. I thought they seemed real because of everything they went through. There were some that went to war, some that worked on a farm, some that got sick, and some that died. The story did keep me guessing. The way the characters had different things happen to them, you didn't know what was going to happen next. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Trigger, Silver, and Scout all rolled into one. By Pappa Place. This book is very unique as it is told from the horse's point of view. I think the author has nailed it if you could read a horse's mind or hear their thoughts you would get what the author has written as the horse's point of view. This story is like the jungle book stories by Kipling or water ship down by Adams. If you are a fan of these kinds of books then you will like this book. This is a very interesting book well thought out. You want to keep reading to see what happens and you care about the horse. It is a story about if a horse has feelings and thoughts clearly the author thinks they do and I agree. I am going to read more of Morpurgo's book. I really enjoyed reading this book. It was one of the best books I have read in a long time!!! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Read! By K. Mertz. This book was very good! I remember reading it as a kid, and, having recently watched War Horse the movie, I wanted to re-read the book again. It is an excellent story, very well told, and far too short. Lol. I read it in less than a day and realized the book is intended for young readers. Enjoyed also by old.

I want you to do yourself proud, Joey. You go and drive those Germans back where they've come from, and then come home to me. At the outbreak of World War one, Joey, young Albert's beloved horse, is sold to the cavalry and shipped to France. Caught up in enemy fire, fate takes Joey on an extraordinary odyssey, serving on both sides before finding himself alone in no man's land. But Albert cannot forget Joey and, still not old enough to enlist, he embarks on a treacherous mission to find him and bring him home. Nick Stafford's adaptation for the stage of the celebrated novel by the Children's Laureate (2003-05) Michael Morpurgo leads us on a gripping journey through history. War Horse premiered at the National Theatre, London, in October 2007.

From School Library Journal Gr 5-8-Since he was a young colt, Joey has been loved and cared for by Albert, a young English farm boy. At the beginning of World War I, Albert's father sells Joey to a captain in the cavalry. The boy is devastated and promises Joey that someday he will find him. Joey experiences army life and the disastrous consequences of a cavalry charge into machine guns. He is captured as a prisoner of war and becomes a hospital cart transport horse for the German army. He's used by the German soldiers to pull gun carts through the muddy trenches. Joey bolts after his friend Topthorn dies. He ends up in no-man's land between the trenches. By a coin toss, he becomes again the property of the English. Joey is taken to a veterinary hospital where he is reunited with Albert. As the soldiers from both sides of the conflict share their thoughts and feelings with Joey, listeners get unique and perceptive views of World War I. John Keating's' different accents are pitch perfect as he draws listeners into the story (Scholastic, 1982) by Michael Morpurgo. An excellent choice for fans of historical fiction.-Samantha Larsen Hastings, Riverton Library, UT (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. From Booklist Like Morpurgo's Private Peaceful (2004), this searing World War I novel reveals the unspeakable slaughter of soldiers on all sides fighting against people who are just like them. The story is told by an English farm horse, Joey, and, as in Cynthia Kadhota's Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam (2007), the first-person narrative blends the animal's physical experience with what men say. On the farm, Joey has close ties to Albert, who is too young to join up when his dad first sells Joey to the army. Charging into battle under machine-gun fire, Joey is captured by the Germans, who train him to haul ambulances and guns. His reunion with Albert in battle is sentimental and contrived, but the viewpoint brings close the fury of the thundering guns, the confusion, and the kindness of enemies who come together in No Man's Land to save the wounded horse. Joey's ability to understand the language wherever he is--England, France, Germany--reinforces the novel's antiwar message, and the terse details speak eloquently about peace. Hazel Rochman Copyright copy; American Library Association. All rights reserved "The music, folk inspired, brings depth and resonance, hooking the narrative into a wider perspective, of generations unnamed who have fought and died." mdash;Telegraph