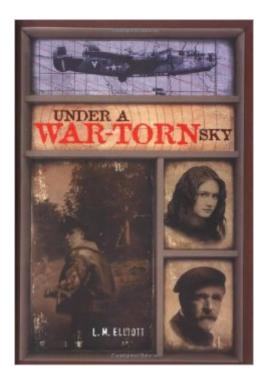
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Under A War-Torn Sky





Synopsis

When Henry Forester is shot down during a bombing run over France, the World War II pilot finds himself trapped behind enemy lines. In constant danger of discovery by German soldiers, Henry begins a remarkable journey to greedom. Relying on the kind ness of strangers, Henry moves from town to town--traveling by moonlight, never asking questions, or even the names of the people who help him along the way. Through his journey, Henry gains an understanding of the French and their struggle; and of his own place in a war that will change the face of Europe forever.

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Customer Reviews

Wow! What a page turner! From the start, I was pulled in and felt like I was right alongside Henry, feeling what he was feeling. Henry was a "boy" who was a fighter pilot that was shot down during World War II behind enemy lines. Due to his perseverence and with the help of many strangers(including French Resistance fighters)who risk their lives, Henry makes it back to his family's farm in Virginia--as a man. This war story includes everything that anyone would want-danger, suspense, adventure, even romance! Don't miss it!

This book was fantastic. It was very realistic to war. It showed how evil some people can be but then how nice others can be. Henry Forester goes threw it all.Henry is a 19 year old pilot shot down behind enemy lines. He has to survive a lot to make it home. I suggest a tissue when you read it too. But don't get me wrong its an awesome book.

UNDER A WAR-TORN SKY was so exciting! I loved it because it was always moving at a fast pace: there were no slow moments. There were vivid descriptions of places, but they didn't bog the story down. There was also very good character development in this book; I really got to know all about the characters. Whenever something happened I knew what Henry (the main character) thought or how he felt about it. The writing style was good because it wasn't too fancy and flowery, but it flowed well. It was pretty easy to read, but not too easy and childish. The content was also more mature than the writing (this book is about war, and it might be too intense for younger readers). This book taught a great lesson: "even during desperate times, people can still be kind and helping". Throughout the book, this theme keeps showing up, but it never gets too preachy. I like how the theme was worked into major part of the story; it teaches a lesson, but is exciting at the same time. UNDER A WAR-TORN SKY has a very exciting climax, where you have to keep reading or you'll die from the suspense. The only thing that I didn't like about this book was that the author would get you really attached to a character, and then he/she would die. Whenever someone died Henry would focus on all the good aspects of their character and what a tragedy their death was. Henry would dwell on this person's death until it seemed that they were a real person, and then I would think, "Why did this person have to die? He/she was too good to die in this manner!" I know that this is good; it helps explain that war is a terrible thing, but it was almost too intense for the reader to handle. This book was amazing, though, and I DEFINITELY recommend it to anyone interested in war stories. And for readers who don't like war stories: give this book a try. I think you'll really enjoy it.

This book takes place durring World War two. This book is about a young fighter war pilot that is the best plane flier that anyone has seen. While he is flying he gets shot down. He runs for his life. He trys to get into a program that lets him try to escape. I think one of the best parts is when he is trying to climb over the mountain and gets gaught by the gestapo. They try to torture him to get information. He doesn't give any information. He ends up escaping. Read this book yourself to find out if he gets home over the long terrifying road to his freedom!

When Henry's plane is shot down during an air battle (in WWII), he finds himself behind enemy lines with no help. Henry relies on friendly Frenchmen (and women) to make it to safety. The brave helpers risk their lives to save him, and in the end many of them are caught. Henry goes from family to family on his journey to safety. He gets caught by the Nazis, tortured and interrogated, but he still manages to not betray anyone who helped him. All throughout the story, Henry's adventures are

described with details, making the reader feel as though they are right alongside Henry. It's a wonderful war story. Under a War-Torn Sky is one of the best war stories I've read. It's action-packed, and every minute I was reading I found myself holding my breath, waiting to see what would happen. I wasn't disappointed. Some parts are sad, some are joyful, and some are suspenseful. I read the whole thing in one sitting, waiting to see what would happen. I recommend this to anyone who wants to know about World War II, is interested in planes, or anyone that likes to read adventure stories. I think it would be best for ages 13&up - even grownups would enjoy it! So, if you fit any of those categories, READ THIS BOOK!!

This book is about a young American boy who is the co-pilot to one of the American bomber planes back during World War II. His name is Henry Forester. On his 15th mission Henry's plane is shot down over what he believes is France. Henry then begins a long journey through Europe during a very difficult time. This book is an excellent book. Being from a shot-down pilot point-of-view is new and different. That it is written for teenagers also differentiates it. This book shows what happens when an American pilot gets shot down and how hard it is for him to survive in countries who hate Americans. Unlike some books, it doesn't glorify war, it shows how dangerous and terrifying war actually is and how everyone is affected by it. This book is great for all ages but the very young. I thought this book was full of excitement and adventure.

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