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Rebecca's six-book set comes in a protective slipcase, and each story reveals more about this lively girl growing up in New York in 1914. They include Meet Rebecca, Rebecca and Ana, Candlelight for Rebecca, Rebecca and the Movies, Rebecca to the Rescue, and Changes for Rebecca. Every book features beautiful illustrations, plus a historical "Looking Back" section about life in Rebecca's time.

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Claudia says

Another one of my favorites

Huda says

I really liked this series. It gave a different perspective on the Industrial Revolution.

Meadow Frisbie says

Really cute book for girls/tweens. Rebecca is a Jewish immigrant growing up in America, very historically accurate.

Madison says

The books were good. I have the American Girl doll and I bought all of her outfits and books.

Catherine says

Read this series with Emma. We loved the books.

Julie Doherty says

We are loving this next set of American Girl books.

Rachel says

It's strange coming back to a book series that you read last/was meant for young girls. Stranger, still, to read a series about a slice of American life you identify strongly with. Even now, Molly, Samantha, Addy, Kirsten and Felicity and their lives would probably feel strange to me, but not so much with Rebecca.

(To be fair, beyond Jewish immigrant/religious experience know-how, the books *did* contain eclectic info like what it might be like to be on the set of a silent movie set, Coney Island during the breaking of the Victorian age, and the turbulence of New York factory life and strikes.)

These books come with common characters- there almost always seems to be a grandparently figure or two, plus possibly a dashing "uncle" figure and his modern bride- or a pair of twins. :P Also a common theme- each girl is outgoing, headstrong, and eager to take part in her surroundings in ways most girls probably didn't. (For example- Rebecca randomly addressing a factory strike? What happened to the little girl who couldn't even stand up to her teacher to tell her that Christmas was *not* a universal American holiday?)

Still, putting the girls in the midst of things like that teaches today's young girls that it is possible to make a difference, so yay. :P

Rebecca was very endearing. Beyond the national-issues scale, she had to deal with regular girl-drama of petty older sisters, a bossy older brother, cliquish friend issues and standing up to her parents about her dreams versus theirs (though she was a little young to be choosing a career. :P Then again, kids back then didn't wait til 22!) And of course, I was a sucker for the Jewish themes- the cousins off the boat from Russia escaping oppression, 1914 Chanukah during Christmas time, Rebecca's birthday/actress experience during Passover, Victor's bar-mitzvah, wanting to light the Shabbat candles, Yiddish phrases, etc. Goes a long way into highlighting American Jewish history- and I know a lot of work went into that as well. So brava- mazel tov. :P

Mallory says

I love Rebecca! She is one of my favorite American Girls! Her books are awesome! You have to read them!

Fueledbychocolate says

This is the first in the Rebecca Series my daughter read (mainly b/c it was her favorite Amer Girl doll/character). She liked it, got exposed to another culture/religion, etc which was useful and enjoyable.

Megan says

Actual rating: 4.5 stars

When I first started reading the Rebecca books, I wasn't sure I'd like them. After all, she isn't one of the original 8(Kaya, Felicity, Josefina, Kirsten, Addy, Samantha, Kit, Molly). But very quickly, I was drawn into her story, of a young girl in an immigrant family who wishes to become an actress while her parents want her to be a teacher. I enjoyed and appreciated her, coming from a large family myself, and I loved her kind and happy personality. I read all six of her books in one day, and I really liked all of them. I am looking forward to reading her mystery books.

Meno-gal says

The girls and I loved this series.

