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Robert E. Lee seemed destined for greatness. His father was a Revolutionary War hero and at West Point he graduated second in his class! In 1861, when the Southern states seceded from the Union, Lee was offered the opportunity to command the Union forces. However, even though he was against the war, his loyalty to his home state of Virginia wouldn't let him fight for the North. Despite the South's ultimate defeat, General Robert E. Lee remains one of the United States' true military heroes.

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Dana says

Great, informative book from a series I bought for our kids. I decided to read it on vacation as we stopped at several Civil War sites.

Kelly says

This was a good biography of Robert E. Lee. I like the level of detail considering it's a juvenile non-fiction book.

Kim Hampton says

A great brief history of Robert E. Lee. Would be good for introducing your kids to the Civil War.

Patrick Kappler says

Who was Robert E. Lee, by Bonnie Bader. In the start of the book they hit you with an important fact, Robert E. Lee's dad was a trooper in the Revolutionary War and was very close with George Washington. After that they keep giving facts like when he was born and when he died and especially that Robert E. Lee was the general in the Civil War for the Confederacy's (The South's name in the Civil War).

I liked this book because it gives good and helpful information about the Civil War and especially if a test is coming up about the Civil War (Not saying mine is or anything).

I recommend this book to kids around my age (12). Because there are some tough words and some violence that kids under 10 are not ready for, some might but they probably aren't mature enough yet.

Alex Matson says

The book I read for the month of November was Who Was Robert E. Lee. The book was written by Bonnie Bader. The book's genre is nonfiction about Robert E. Lee's life. The main setting is the Civil War and the main character is Robert E. Lee. The book tells you about his life and who's family also how he comes to be the commander of the Confederate army. I rated this book a 5 out of 5 star because the information it gave was very interesting and accurate.

Ruthe Turner says

This book is great for elementary children, but it is also very useful for adults who want to be reminded of the main facts pertaining to Robert E. Lee.

Robert E Lee came from a great legacy of Lee's. His own father was Light Horse Harry, who fought alongside George Washington. Two of Lee's cousins were signers of the Declaration of Independence.

The book gives a good summary of Lee's childhood and personal life as husband to Ann Custis, great-granddaughter of Martha Washington. They had 6 children.

He fought in the Mexican War under his friend and commander Major General Winfield Scott. Lee proved to be a good soldier.

In 1861, Lee was asked to lead the Union Army against the south, which included his beloved home state of Virginia. As a man of honor, Lee decided to stand with Virginia. The book summarizes the major victories and defeats of the war, then describes the morning of the surrender at Appomattox Court House. Even in defeat, he was a respected man.

Lee suffered many losses because of the Civil War. He even was charged with treason and lost his U.S. citizenship. (In recent years that has been rectified)

He was offered the presidency of Washington College in Lexington, VA, which had just four teachers and forty students at that time. In one year, there were 400 students. Later the name of the college was changed to Washington and Lee University.

He died at home October 12, 1870

Matthew says

I didn't like this book that much. In the first part it was good because it talked about his last few and I thought it was interesting. But during the majority of the book it talked about the civil war. I guess there was still some history about Robert during the civil war. There wasn't as much as I stuff about him as I thought there would be. This book would be good if you want to learn about how the civil war went. I wouldn't recommend it for research on him.

Christopher Taylor says

My book is Who Was Robert E. Lee. The author of the book is Bonnie Bader. The book is a nonfiction biography. The main character is Robert E. Lee and the story takes place through 1807-1870. The story also takes place in Virginia and West Point academy. The story is all about Robert E. Lee's life. It tells you about his childhood, his days serving the military, and much more. I rated this book five stars because I love biographies about war figures.

Adam N says

I love Robert e. Lee he was awesome I also like he reign about the civil war and the battles. This book was good in detail about him it talked a lot about who he new and loved it also didn't center just on him it talked also about the generals who died and the people writing letters to him to join the confederacy. There was a lot of good facts about him like he lived in the Union for a short amount of time but he left for Virginia which was where he was born to join the confederacy. When he grew up his mother was sick so he had to take care of her shortly after he went to the military at West Point academy he graduated 4 years later. So good parts in the book were when he got the cold which was deadly at the time and one of his best generals died and he still had to go to war he asked for someone to replace lee but they said No. After reading this I thought how bad it had to be in the civil war say good bye to your loved ones for a few years and see a lot of people die. This was my favorite who was book so far and it was very sad.

Yvonne says

Very interesting book. I learned a lot about a man that I knew very little about and was very surprised.

Elizabeth O. Anderson says

Fascinating

Michelle says

Another children's biography that gave a great summary of a true American hero. I didn't know very much about Robert E. Lee before reading this book. I'd heard he didn't want to be the leader of the Confederate Army, but I didn't realize how much he was opposed to the separation of the union. I also found his early life fascinating.

Victor says

Who Was Robert E. Lee, By: Bonnie Bader

This book was about how Lee was a student at West Point military school. He was even one of the best students there. Lee's father was a revolutionary war hero and also signed the Declaration of Independence. Lee fought against what his father had created. Even though he was a general for a large army he always hated war. On April 6, 1865 Lee meets with general Ulysses S Grant and surrenders.

I personally love this book because I have always been interested in the Civil War. And to read about the Confederate Army General Robert E Lee is pretty cool. I also like how the book is almost like a timeline for Lee.

I would recommend this book for anyone who is lying to learn about the Civil War or wine tour about Robert E Lee in particular. This book is a good book for grades six through eighth. I hope if you get to read this book you get to enjoy as much as I did!

Ryan says

That was pretty good! It was a little shocking though to see how badly he wanted the country to stay together and how against slavery he was. That is what I get for getting info from popular media!

Gavin Buersken says

I liked this book but didn't know much about him at first. Now I do though, it was about Robert E. Lee and how he grew up and went to a military college called West Point. He was a general in the civil war on the confederate side. He was a good general even though they lost. He made good plans but the north was sometimes just to good. I liked how even though they were losing he didn't give up. That why I liked this book.
