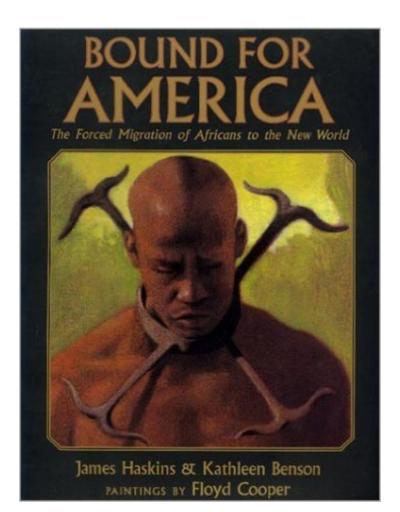
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Bound For America: The Forced Migration Of Africans To The New World





Synopsis

Between about 1500 and 1850, millions of Africans were captured and transported across the Atlantic in one of the most tragic ordeals in human history. In this objective and profoundly moving book, Haskins and Benson open with discussions of slavery thoughout history and of Europe and Africa at the time the African slave trade began, then closely examine every aspect of the Middle Passage. Included are sections on capturing the slaves, the march to the coast, the selection of slaves for purchase, conditions on slave ships, and slave revolts aboard ship. Illuminated with historic prints, photographs, and Floyd Cooper's compelling paintings. Timeline, bibliography, map, and index included.

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Customer Reviews

Explaining the forced migration of Africans to the New World to an eight year old is a difficult thing to do. It was a brutal and shameful practice that nevertheless informs our common history. If you are going to teach your child history, you are bound to teach both the good and ignoble aspects of that story. "Bound for America" tells this story in an age appropriate fashion. The authors are honest about the horrors of the middle passage but are not sensationalistic. The illustrations by Floyd Cooper are well done and help explain the slave experience in an appropriate way. This is a well done book that can help introduce young children to a difficult aspect of our common history. Recommended.

This is a one of a kind book as I've not found any books for the elementary school age group that teach children about The Middle Passage. I highly recommend if you're trying to educate your child (or yourself) on this period of history. I'm homeschooling my son on Africa/African-American history and this helped me transition from Africa to the New World in an age appropriate way. For younger children, I recommend reading it together as this is a hard concept for them to grasp and understand.

"Bound For America," is one of the most complete and inspiring books that I have read. I am using it at the presence in completing a thesis. It serves as a poignant reminder of the soulof a people and the resilience of anyone of African descent. It also gives, with historical accuracy, important information as to the contributions of Africans and African Americans to the New World and the entire World.

A great read for all ages. I highly recommend this for educators, parents, and students to include this book in their library of African American history.

My sons and I both are learning a lot from reading this. It is written to where my 8yr old understands too.

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