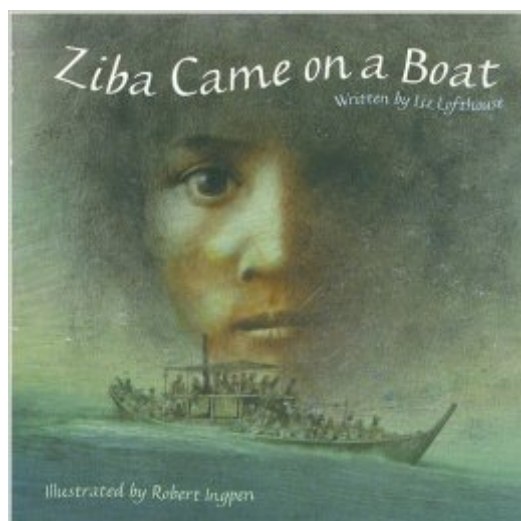


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# Ziba Came On A Boat



## Synopsis

Ziba came on a boat. A soggy old fishing boat that creaked and moaned as it rose and fell, rose and fell, across an endless sea...Sitting in the crowded hull, with her mother's arms around her, Ziba remembers all that she has left behind. They hope to find peace and safety in a new land, but where will their journey end, and what will they find when they arrive?Based on real events, Ziba Came On a Boat is the moving story of a little girl whose family has lost almost everything. This beautiful picture book takes us on her brave journey to make a new life, far from home. Full of love, warm memories and hope for the future even in a time of fear, this lyrical story is accompanied by stunning watercolor illustrations by the acclaimed Robert Ingpen

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## Customer Reviews

Have you ever wanted to know how it feels to ride a boat? In the nonfiction story of "Ziba Came on a Boat," by Liz Lofthouse, it shows that Ziba is going to America for freedom.Ziba was on a boat with her mother. Ziba was imagining her and her cousins playing with cold water, splashing, and laughing. Ziba helps her aunties cook flatbread and remembers her father telling her about the past. There was a war, it was really bad. Does Ziba ever make it to America?The author wrote this book because it shows kids about freedom.I would recommend this book to someone because it is a book that shows freedom is good for people.My favorite part about the book is that Ziba's dad told

her stories. This is a good book. I hope you read it. By: Mia

Ziba sits on a creaky fishing boat, packed full with other refugees, remembering the life she left behind and hoping for new opportunities ahead. Although they were not wealthy, she and her extended family led happy, productive lives until war reached their peaceful village. Forced to flee with little more than the shirts on their backs, Ziba now sits on the crowded old boat with her mother's arms wrapped around her, letting her thoughts and dreams change with the temper of the ocean. Based on actual accounts of Afghani refugees living in Australia, *Ziba Came on a Boat* is a moving story about how a girl and her family experience the incredibly high social and economic costs of war and conflict. Such a weighty topic is not easy to broach with children, but the hopeful tone, subtle text, and extraordinary illustrations yield a literary work that younger readers can understand without feeling overwhelmed. Long after closing the book, readers may continue to feel Ziba's steady gaze and appreciate her yearning for freedom.

"Ziba came on a boat. A soggy old fishing boat that creaked and moaned as it rose and fell, rose and fell, across an endless sea..." As you turn the pages, the setting changes from the boat to villages in a hilly area. Ziba's memories flash back and she recalls her life in the village with other family members and friends before escaping war-torn Afghanistan. Ziba shivers as she huddles close to her mother. The language is descriptive as the author describes the tastes and aromas of spices and goat's milk yoghurt. "Ziba Came on a Boat" is the story of a little girl whose family lost almost everything and her brave journey to make a new life far from home. The author was inspired after hearing stories from the Hazara community- refugees from Afghanistan who now live in Perth, Australia. This lyrical story will work well in both primary and middle school classrooms. For teachers who enjoy reading aloud, the rhythm and repetition of words is both poetic and appealing.

Good book delivered on time.

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