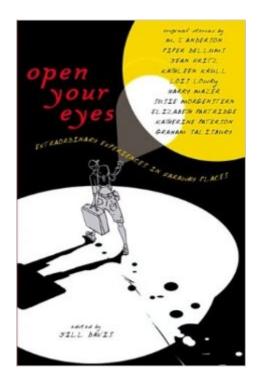
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Open Your Eyes: Extraordinary Experiences In Faraway Places





Synopsis

Living in a new place is very different from visiting one, especially when that place is far away from home. Traveling gives us the rare opportunity to see who we might have been if we had been born someplace else. For some, it's a chance to recreate ourselves. For others, it's a time to realize who we already are. In Open Your Eyes, ten writers will be your guides to the journeys that changed their lives: a boarding school in England; parenthood in France; the most beautiful spots in Italy; China on the Yang-tze; a tiny shop in Tokyo, Japan; and even to Pilzen, Czechoslovakia as World War II is ending. Though each story offers an original viewpoint, all of the stories reflect back on two important themes: where we come from and how we become who we are. Edited by Jill Davis.

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Customer Reviews

It was a magnificent book, even for being in the informational section. I loved reading the stories about famous people's childhoods. I adore Harry Mazer, so when I read his experience in here, I was flabbergasted. I didn't know that half these people even went through stuff like I do everyday. I loved the fact that it showed the NORMAL stuff as well as the crazy stuff. It was a fun, enlightening book with a moral to it. These people started out as boring kids too, and look at them now, they are amazing writers. Normal stuff happened to them too, they were kids once, and at heart, still can be. They get to do what they love, and it shows when they wrote these stories. You can tell that they put

their whole heart and soul into it to show that even exciting stuff can happen to people that give something everything they have. I generally steer away from the informational section because I love the world of adventure and fantasy. This has shown me that even the informational section doesn't have to be avoided. Thank you Jill Davis for my new-found respect for your book, and the informational section. It was nice to see normal people get the well deserved fame.

Not exactly what I thought I'd find in this book. Not sure how the authors were inspired to write because of their experience. But very interesting stories and worth reading.

I am really enjoying these stories of adventure and hope!

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