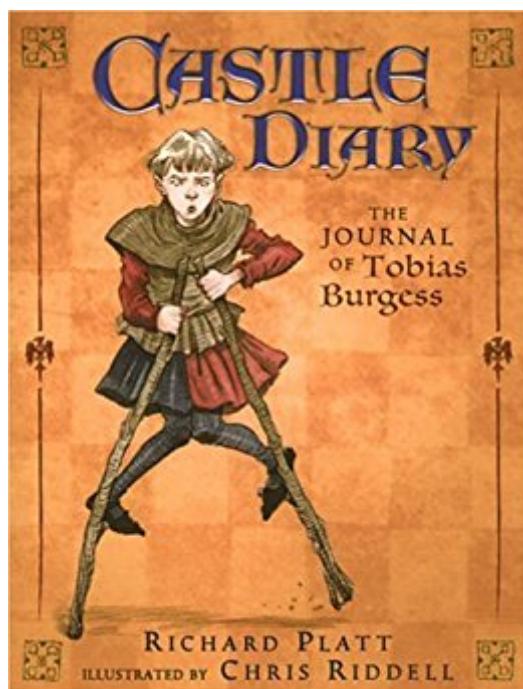


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Synopsis

"Not many, if any, children's books on the Middle Ages and castles contain the wealth of information found in this fresh, appealing offering."-- SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL (starred review)What was it really like to live in a castle? Step back to the Middle Ages with CASTLE DIARY: THE JOURNAL OF TOBIAS BURGESS. Eleven-year-old Toby's vivid diary entries offer an insider's view of day-to-day castle life, including tips on etiquette (where do you spit at a feast?) and exciting descriptions of hunting, jousting, and harvesting. Complete with glossary, index, and detailed endnotes, this is a rich look at medieval life that informs as much as it entertains.

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Customer Reviews

These diary books by Richard Platt are absolutely wonderful! I can't praise them highly enough as great works of historical fiction for young children. My five year old son can't get enough of this book. He loves it so much that I recently purchased the Pirate Diary for him. I didn't pay attention to editions or dimensions. I just purchased it. Well, it was tiny, about 5x6 compared to the large and lavish 10x13 first edition Castle Diary that we own. Also, instead of full page, full color illustrations

there were black and white sketches here and there. So, I checked out the Castle Diary book again on and the same thing has been done. Look carefully at what you're ordering. The first editions are very large and gorgeously illustrated in full color with the text interspersed throughout. The editions available now are much smaller. They are mainly text with a few black and white sketches. I am so saddened by what they have done to these books. In their original form, they are five star books for sure. I can only give four stars to the newer editions, however. The writing is the same but they have lost their picture book charm which made them accessible to younger kids. Even for older kids, however, a picture is worth a thousand words and would surely be greatly appreciated. In short, I would rather own a used first edition of these books than a brand new copy of the modified version. I just wanted to point out the difference to prospective buyers.

Tons of information about thirteenth-century life is packed into this story about a young castle page. Tobias is a normal kid who, thanks to his father's moderate standing in society, gets to experience the excitement and complexity of living and working in a castle. His diary, while full of facts, is written from his unfiltered eleven-year-old perspective, and so is readable and amusing. Castle Diary is a fun romp through an important element of the Middle Ages.

This is a fun book for kids to get a great idea of what life may have been like in medieval times. My son is in 3rd grade and really enjoyed both the format (a diary being different than most stories we read) and the story. We homeschool using Classical Conversations and this book fit in great with Cycle 2. My son is an advanced reader and was able to read this on his own, but that might not be the case for every third grader.

This was a nice story.

I liked it, then I loaned it to some of the middle school kids and they LOVED it. Very readable, good illustrations, and highly informative. I recommend it!

My son had to read this for his fifth grade class and I'm glad because I enjoyed reading it myself. It's a very clever diary that gives lots of information on medieval castle living.

A quick , fun read.

Our home school likes this book

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