

The Prince Warriors, Book I

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After being drawn into the unseen world of Ahoratos, four kids receive armor from Ruwach, a creature robed in purple. Ruwach pulls instructions for the children out of The Book and then disappears, leaving the kids to choose which path they will follow. Using their armor for their only guidance, three of the children, Brianna, Evan, and Xavier, follow the way of the armor. However, one child named Levi, does not, causing him to run into trouble. Brianna, Evan, and Xavier rescue Levi from a Forager, a metal soldier of the enemy and a master of deception. They then return home. The next day the small group is called back to Ahoratos along with an addition to the group, Manuel. While there, Manuel receives his armor and the children are given a rescue mission, to liberate a prisoner named Rook. Once they find Rook, the group tries to escape but Rook is unable to escape without his boots. Levi sacrifices his safe escape by giving Rook his boots and voluntarily stays behind while the others attempt to escape. You will have to read *The Prince Warriors* yourself to find out what happens next.

The Prince Warriors is best for children 9-12, although I still enjoy it very much and it is great for many ages. It is quite the page-turner. No matter how many times I read it, it is difficult to put down. Priscilla Shirer uses a considerable amount of symbolism in this book, such as Ahoratos symbolizing the spiritual world of a Christian. There are also a few things that I want to point out that I truly appreciated in her story. Throughout the book, the children right their wrongs and look out for each other. After fighting, Xavier and Evan make amends, Levi and Brianna stand up for Manuel, who is being bullied, and Brianna is sorry for telling a lie.

The Prince Warriors is a very clean book. A few minor things to note are that there are a couple points when the children are slightly rude to each other. The book starts out with Xavier teasing Evan to the point of starting a fight. Manuel is bullied and Brianna tells a lie. By the end of the book, all of these conflicts are resolved and the children's relationships have grown stronger. At the beginning of the book the chapters jump between sets of children, possibly confusing younger children. Overall, I am highly confident you will enjoy this book.

Reccomended Titles:

The Prince Warriors Series, Priscilla Shirer

The Wingfeather Saga Series, Andrew Peterson

Pages of History Series, Bruce Etter and Alexia Detweiler

Ten Girls Series, Irene Howat

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