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# I Survived The Great Chicago Fire, 1871 (I Survived #11)



## Synopsis

Could an entire city really burn to the ground? Oscar Starling never wanted to come to Chicago. But then Oscar finds himself not just in the heart of the big city, but in the middle of a terrible fire! No one knows exactly how it began, but one thing is clear: Chicago is like a giant powder keg about to explode. An army of firemen is trying to help, but this fire is a ferocious beast that wants to devour everything in its path, including Oscar! Will Oscar survive one of the most famous and devastating fires in history? Lauren Tarshis brings history's most exciting and terrifying events to life in this New York Times bestselling series. Readers will be transported by stories of amazing kids and how they survived!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Praise for I SURVIVED THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG, 1863". . . Informative and breathlessly paced." --KIRKUS REVIEWSPraise for I SURVIVED THE ATTACKS OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001:"[Tarshis] crafts a dramatic, emotionally intense tale that takes account of 9/11's physical and emotional costs -- short- and long-term -- while ending on an upward beat." --KIRKUS REVIEWSPraise for I SURVIVED THE SINKING OF THE TITANIC, 1912:"The fast pace and

intrinsically fascinating disaster story will keep readers turning the pages." --KIRKUS

REVIEWS Praise for I SURVIVED HURRICANE KATRINA, 2005: "Expressive illustrations capture the drama of the storm and its aftermath, but the book's real power comes from its exploration of what it means to be a hero." --BOOKLIST

Lauren Tarshis is the editor of Scholastic's Storyworks magazine and group editorial director for language arts for Scholastic classroom magazines, in addition to being the author of the I Survived series and the critically acclaimed novels EMMA-JEAN LAZARUS FELL OUT OF A TREE and EMMA-JEAN LAZARUS FELL IN LOVE. She lives in Westport, Connecticut, and can be found online at [www.laurentarshis.com](http://www.laurentarshis.com).

We had the privilege of this author visiting our school. My 10yr old son LOVED this book (which took him two nights to read) and he couldn't wait to tell me all about it. We are planning on ordering ALL her 'I Survived' series for him.

I work in a K-5 elementary library and have bought all the "I Survived..." books for my elementary boys - though plenty of girls have also enjoyed them. They love the "true story line", the fast pace of the books, and the fact that they are small chapter books. This is a high interest series that caters wonderfully to those reluctant readers.

My son has read all of these books. Great way to teach history through the eyes of fictional kids who "survived" the event. The author really brings history to life with the I Survived series. My son starting reading these a few years ago. He is 13 now and still asks for these books when a new one is released.

My 9 year old grandson didn't like to read until he started reading this book series. I only wish the author would write more!! Also, I order two of the same books by accident. I did the refund, and i didn't need to return the duplicate book.

I loved this book as a read aloud for my 3rd and 4th graders. I plan on adding this to novels we read in 3rd grade. As a series, I have found the "I Survived ..." books to be greatly motivating to reluctant readers, particularly boys.

I ordered this for my grandson for Christmas. He has a collection from this series and enjoys reading them.. I like the education value to this series and the historical subjects that are presented well to kids.

My 11 year old son loves all the I Survived books & this one did not disappoint! He devoured this in 2 days & we already have the next book on pre-order. Thank you Lauren Tarshis for creating such a wonderful book series that has gotten my son to fall in love with history! His only request is that you write faster Lol

The I Survived... series works well with ELL adults whom I tutor. I use them often and think they are suitable both for learning and for appeal as a story

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