

LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of Saving Sophia by Fleur Hitchcock

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Sean Keaveny, age 11

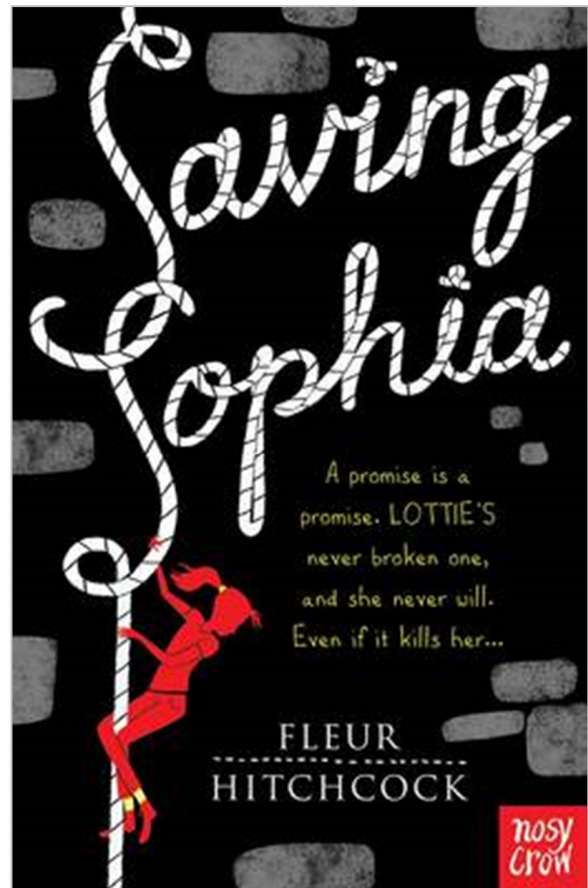
A great adventure story about a girl looking for adventure who learns to love her strange family.

'Saving Sophia' is a fast paced adventure story full of twists and turns. Lottie comes from a strange family and longs to have a friend. When she meets Sophia she hopes that she has found that friend. However, Sophia has secrets of her own and needs Lottie's help. They set off on an adventure to find Sophia's mum. If you like adventure stories then I recommend this book, it will keep you hooked from start to finish.

Emily Passmore, age 13

A story for literally anyone, 'Saving Sophia' is perfect for anyone who reads adventure usually or otherwise.

This book was consistently good throughout, although personally, the chapters were a little too short for me. From start to finish, there was something going on and that something was always interesting. There's a little bit of everything in here; friendships, adventures, you name it, it's in here. A good read for anyone who wants something to pick them up and transport them away.



Morgan Steigmann Age 15

Bringing a brand new twist to the classic adventure story through the unique characters of Lottie and Sophia, Hitchcock delivers the perfect balance of action alongside friendship and mystery.

Parents that think ‘moth hunting’ is fun, road kill for dinner, and going to the ‘National Humus Headquarters’ for a treat is nothing but the norm for Lottie. After years of reading adventure fiction, and finding herself driven to madness by boredom, she desperately wants an adventure of her own. Perhaps running away from ‘Bream Lodge Activity Pursuit Centre’ with exotic dare-devil Sophia in search of her mother will give Lottie a taste of living life on the edge? But maybe dealing with a murderer, a life-threatening car crash and eating out of bins just to survive was going a bit too far?

Bringing a brand new twist to the classic adventure story through the unique, yet contrasting characters of Lottie and Sophia, Hitchcock delivers the perfect balance of action alongside friendship and mystery. Despite the storyline being a little predictable at first, and perhaps being more suited to a slightly younger audience, the cliff-hangers at the end of many a chapter leave the reader no choice but to go forward and uncover some more of Hitchcock’s exhilarating plot. Avid readers will enjoy getting to know and relating to book-worm Lottie, who is forever quoting her favourite novels, whereas Sophia provides the refreshing viewpoint of someone less likely to pick up a book, and more likely to be first on the assault course. Uncovering the whereabouts of Sophia’s Mother was never going to be simple for the girls... but Lottie definitely wasn’t expecting such a perilous journey!

Sidney Greenslade, age 10

‘Saving Sophia’ is a fantastic, fast paced story of friendship, adventure and danger with plenty of laughs. Highly recommended!

‘Saving Sophia’ is a funny and exciting story about Lottie, a girl who just wants to have adventures. She lives a very normal, “boring” life until she meets Sophia, who appears to be a magnet for adventure and has had many exciting things happen to her.

When Sophia tells Lottie that she and her actress mum are being kept apart by her mum’s seemingly respectable business manager, Mr Pinehead, Lottie promises to help reunite them. After running away from a staged kayak accident, the two girls begin the most dangerous adventure that either of them

could have imagined.

I liked 'Saving Sophia' because it was the perfect mix of excitement, danger and hilarity. I really enjoyed the story and read it at every available moment. I will be recommending 'Saving Sophia' to all my friends.

Isabel Kardos-Stowe, age 10

I think this book is suitable for all junior school children. A lovely story of friendship and courage. This really demonstrates that a promise is a promise. Lottie keeps hers. A great read!

Lottie's life is extremely boring. She dreams of going on adventures like the characters in the books she reads. Her parents are scientists and the house is full of weird plants. Lottie wishes that they were normal and, like other parents, wore suits and had nice cars. A girl, called Sophia, comes round her house one day. She seems to have an extremely mysterious life. Join the two girls on their fabulous escape to try to find Sophia's mum.

I really like this book. You could really feel what the character was feeling. My favourite character is Lottie's brother Ned because, despite their disagreements, he loves Lottie and helps her along her journey. He is always up for an adventure, unlike Lottie who is scared of heights. This, in this adventure, is not very helpful.

I think this book is suitable for all junior school children (8-11). A lovely story of friendship and courage. This really demonstrates that a promise is a promise. Lottie keeps hers even if it means she risks dying.

Lucy Minton, age 10

Fleur Hitchcock is a brilliant author whose plots and characters engage me all the time.

'Saving Sophia' is about Lottie who is an ordinary bookworm. She thinks her life is boring. That is, until she meets Sophia. Running away to find Sophia's mum, Lottie gets into lots of tight spots where she finds that books can't always give you the answers. It's time for Lottie to prove she's a hero, save Sophia and find the truth. That's a lot to do. Can she succeed? Read the book to find out.

I would rate this book 10/10 because it was brilliantly told. The story is from Lottie's perspective. It described everything in detail and I felt I was there. By the end of the book I thought I almost knew the characters. The end was really

*good with a hair-raising twist. I will definitely read it over and over again. I would recommend this book to budding adventurers or anyone who would rather stay at home and curl up with a good book. Fleur Hitchcock is a brilliant author whose plots and characters engage me all the time. **Overall a great book.***

Heather Greenan, age 10

'Saving Sophia' is a very good book. It is eventful and makes you want to read on. It is scary in places but in an exciting way. I would rate the book 9/10 as I really enjoyed it and I think children from the age of 9 to 12 would enjoy it.

My favourite character in the book was Charlotte because she was a supportive friend to Sophia all the way through even at the worst times and when she was annoyed. Also she likes an adventure.

'Saving Sophia' is a believable book that is set in modern times.

Alice East, age 9

I thought that this was a brilliant book. It tells the story of two clever children escaping from a Summer Camp.

Together, Sophia and Lottie escape to try and find Sophia's mum who she hasn't seen for nearly 5 years.

I thought this book had very nice style of language. It was easy follow and I didn't have to look up lots of words in a dictionary.

I think this book was an excellent book with the story developing over time. There was lots of excitement all the way through which made you want to keep reading.

I would like to read more books by this author as I like the way she writes and how she builds up the characters in the book.

Lola Frary, age 10

A truly amazing story which makes you giggle and weep. I would definitely recommend this book to adventure lovers.

An absolutely engrossing, side-splitting, mystifying novel, that will make you extremely emotional, by the author of 'Dear Scarlett'. Lottie, who would pay

£1000 for an adventure after so many boring years, mischievous Sophia brightens her days with adventure stories. It's not long before Sophia has tricked Lottie into running away to look for her mother. From doing that, Lottie ends up having much more of an adventure than she expected. This book is perfect for fans of Eva Ibbotson and Jenny Valentine.

Cara Hayward-Anderson, age 9

Sophia and Lottie are really good characters! The book is interesting. And it is REALLY REALLY GOOD!!!!!!!!!!

Amie Coffman, age 9

*I loved this story about two friends, Sophia and Lottie who go on numerous adventures together. I don't want to give too much away but Lottie learns a huge amount from Sophia through these exciting expeditions and the two girls learn so much about friendships and truth. I related best to Lottie and would love to have a friendship like they do. **This is a thrilling, humbling read and I highly recommend it.***

Sophie Bridges, age 11

*Saving Sophia is an interesting and exiting book for children of my age. **The reason I enjoyed this book so much is because I love adventures and exiting things like that ...***

Lottie wanted to explore but there is no luck until she meets Sophia a pretty things who has done so much In her past. When the girls run away together things start to get so exiting...

Isabel Cox, age 10

The start of the book took me quite a long time to understand. The main character, Lottie, goes on a school trip to Bream Lodge. There she meets a girl called Sophia. Sophia's mum is an Opera Singer who does not see Sophia much and her Stepdad is after her mum's money. He is keeping Sophia away from her mum so that Sophia cannot tell her he is after her money.

*The girls run away from a kayak accident in search of Sophia's mum. Sophia's Stepdad (Mr Pinehead) just keeps getting in the way! **I liked this book***

because they go through lots of adventures. Also at the end of every chapter there is a cliff hanger and you just want to read on! The book is full of emotions! This book is very much based on adventure and if you don't like adventure I don't think this is the book for you. The theme of the book is definitely mystery. I would positively recommend it! Out of 100% I would give it 82%.