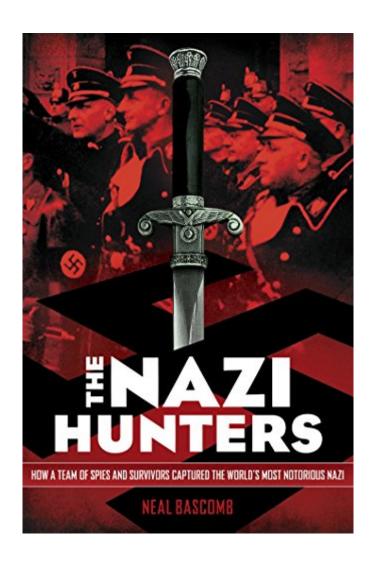
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The Nazi Hunters





Synopsis

A thrilling spy mission, a moving Holocaust story, and a first-class work of narrative nonfiction.In 1945, at the end of World War II, Adolf Eichmann, the head of operations for the Nazis' Final Solution, walked into the mountains of Germany and vanished from view. Sixteen years later, an elite team of spies captured him at a bus stop in Argentina and smuggled him to Israel, resulting in one of the century's most important trials -- one that cemented the Holocaust in the public imagination. THE NAZI HUNTERS is the thrilling and fascinating story of what happened between these two events. Survivor Simon Wiesenthal opened Eichmann's case; a blind Argentinean and his teenage daughter provided crucial information. Finally, the Israeli spies -- many of whom lost family in the Holocaust -- embarked on their daring mission, recounted here in full. Based on the adult bestseller HUNTING EICHMANN, which is now in development as a major film, and illustrated with powerful photos throughout, THE NAZI HUNTERS is a can't-miss work of narrative nonfiction for middle-grade and YA readers.

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Neal Bascomb has written a gripping account of an international effort to capture Adolf Eichmann â "

the SS official who basically visualized, organized, and ran the Holocaust. Eichman disappeared for over a decade and, while Europe and the U.S. got caught up in the Cold War, a tenacious few kept hunting for ex-Nazi officials who were responsible for the murder of millions of Jews and others. In a spy-like, action packed text, the author tells the story of how Eichman was discovered in Argentina, kept under surveillance and then captured through an elaborate plan by an international team led by the Israelis. What struck me were some of the thematic threads that ran through the book - Everyone involved (and there were dozens) had lost a relative in the Holocaust and was still suffering the loss (why wouldnâ ™t they be?) â " this served as motivation, but also as an energy that sometimes had to be suppressed in order to pull off the mission successfully; Even when world powers like the U.S., Europe, and even Germany lost focus on pursuing these criminals, a tenacious few â " a lawyer in Germany, leaders in Israel, every day people in Argentina including a teenage girl â " continued this pursuit. To pull off this mission, meticulous care had to be taken as well as innovation â "disguise, caution, use of new technology, etc. As well, collective thinking and collaboration and trust played an important role in the mission. Beautiful. Well written and thoroughly researched. Actually, I found this in a bookstore and had not heard of Neal Bascomb. I immediately turned to the authorâ ™s note to check out his research and was impressed enough to pay.

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