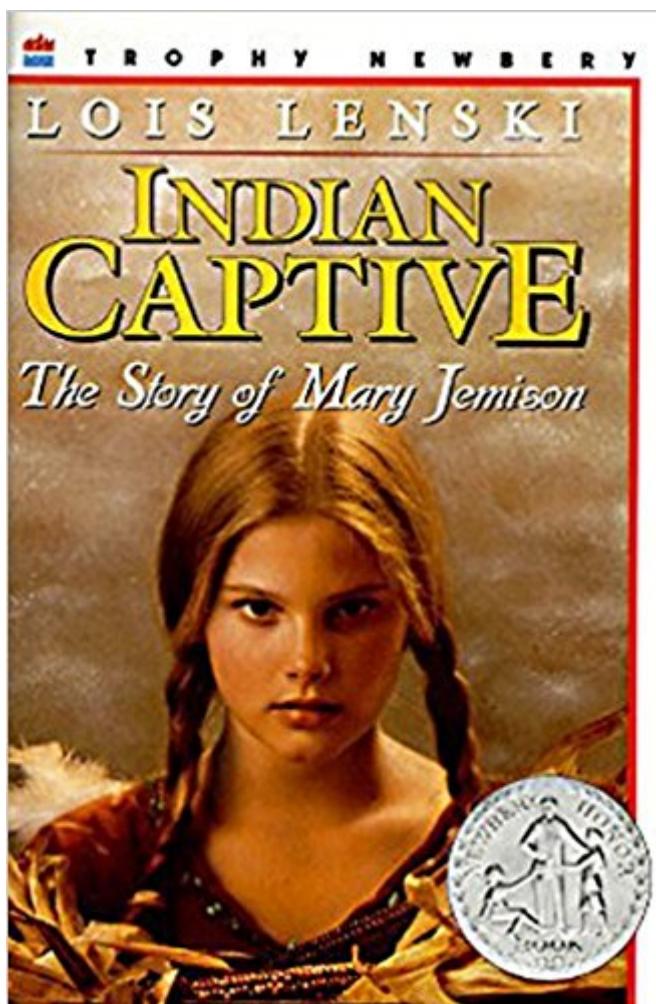


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# Indian Captive: The Story Of Mary Jemison



## **Synopsis**

In this classic frontier adventure, Lois Lenskire reconstructs the real life story of Mary Jemison, who was captured in a raid as a young girl and raised amongst the Seneca Indians. Meticulously researched and illustrated with many detailed drawings, this novel offers an exceptionally vivid and personal portrait of Native American life and customs.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## **Customer Reviews**

"Vivid and moving." --Horn Book Magazine --This text refers to the MP3 CD edition.

In addition to illustrating the first four Betsy-Tacy books, Lois Lenski (1893-1974) was the 1946 Newberry Medal winning author of *Strawberry Girl*. In addition to illustrating the first four Betsy-Tacy books, Lois Lenski (1893-1974) was the 1946 Newberry Medal winning author of *Strawberry Girl*.

This book was important to me as a child who was interested in Native American culture, and I loved it and wore out my paper copy. It's an easy but informative read for any child, including boys as well as girls. Aside from the accurate, detailed, interesting writing and drawings of Native

American ways and artifacts, the book also focuses on the very real feelings of grief, loss, and abandonment, and finally the acceptance of a child who has lost her family and been forced to accept a new one. Children nowadays often lose family and friends through death, divorce, and sudden family moves, and being able to relate to Mollie's sadness and the firm but kind behavior of her new people could be therapeutic for a child in one of those situations. Having re-read this book as an adult, I would recommend it to any child between the ages of about 8 or 9 and older, especially kids who have struggled with grief and loss.

I read it out loud to my wife at bed time over the phone while working out of state. We were sad when it ended. Realistic; It neither romanticized nor demonized the Indians she knew. (Some were loyal and kind and a few were treacherous.) Truly a wonderful book about an extraordinary girl. We also enjoyed STRAWBERRY GIRL, JUDY'S JOURNEY, PRAIRIE SCHOOL, and TEXAS TOMBOY.

I am 11 years old, so consider this a kid's perspective. I was told by my little sister that this was her favorite book, and if I read this book, I could tell her to read one too. (She read a whole nother story) I admit, I didn't have high hopes for this book, and I was kinda disappointed she chose this one.. Now, I am so glad she did because it is one of my personal favorites. Amazing book, and I suggest this book to anyone... They can be five and like it, and don't be hesitant to read it if you are an adult or beyond that. Read this book, please, and you'll be glad you did.

Absolutely! This was my favorite book when I was a little girl. And it still is. I had to get a new one because my old one was so old and the back cover was lost. So I thought to myself, "Okay. I have to get a new book." and I did. Out of all the characters in here, I'd say that Beaver Girl is my favorite because I admired her shyness from chapter 9 where she first met Mary/Molly/Corn Tassel.

This was a fascinating story. Always heard captives were so mistreated good to know that some tribes were not. Would recommend this book to all ages.

I read this book after reading The Ransom of Mercy Carter by Caroline B. Cooney about a thousand times (if you haven't read that book, please do so! It's amazing!) and this book was recommended for readers who enjoyed that book, but I was disappointed. I understand Mary Jemison's story is about a real life occurrence (with certain liberties taken due to the reading level set for this book),

but I still didn't get involved with the story or love the character. I usually end up rooting for the character, no matter what choices they make. However, the author didn't get me as involved as I'd have liked. I'd have liked more detail and more background than just the same thing over and over. Some may like it, but this didn't do it for me. Perhaps that's because I compared it to the Ransom of Mercy Carter the whole time, but still, if it was good enough, it would have found its own spot in my heart, just like all the other books I've read and loved.

I discovered Lois Lenski's books about 65 years ago and read all that were available in my elementary school library. I especially remember Indian Captive and Strawberry Girl so I purchased these to pass among my 6 grand daughters. What fun we are having sharing our favorite books.

The Best, I found this book again after 30 years or more through e. My old Book had severe water damage , it was thrown away . I loved this book , so interesting , so well written , with sketches to get the feel of the story. I loved this book as a child and I still enjoy this lovely book as an adult now . It took me years to find it . I can read this book over and over again.

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