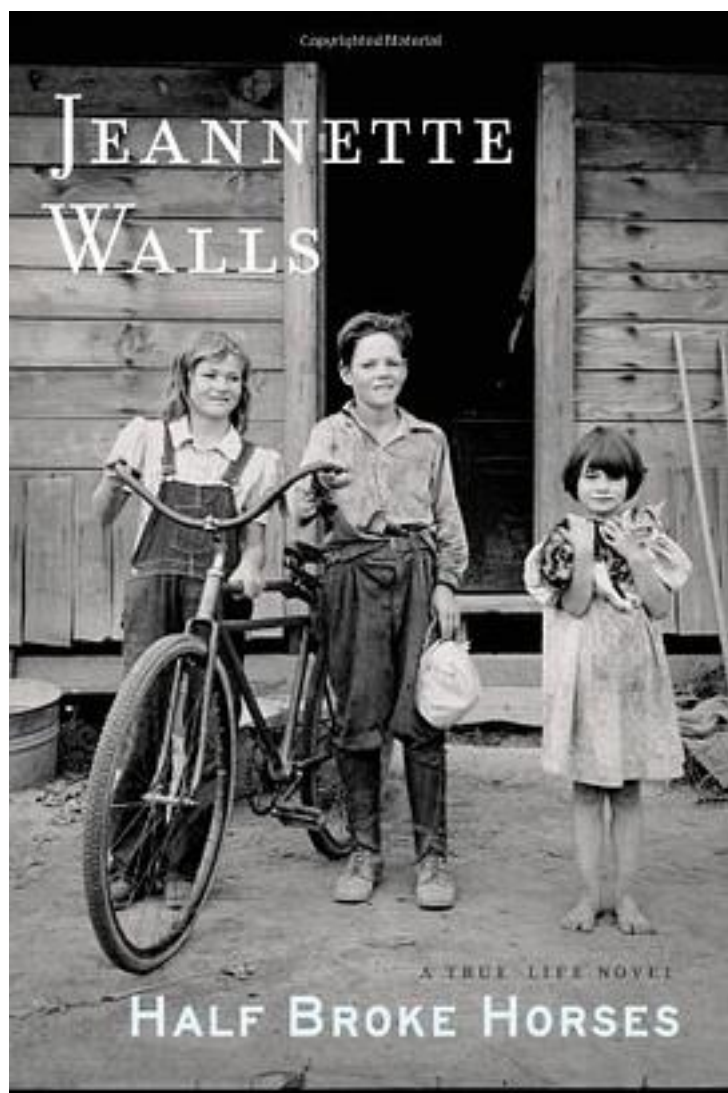


Half Broke Horses



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Jeannette Walls's "The Glass Castle" was "nothing short of spectacular" ("Entertainment Weekly"). Now she brings us the story of her grandmother -- told in a voice so authentic and compelling that the book is destined to become an instant classic. ""Those old cows knew trouble was coming before we did."" So begins the story of Lily Casey Smith, in Jeannette Walls's magnificent, true-life novel based on her no-nonsense, resourceful, hard working, and spectacularly compelling grandmother. By age six, Lily was helping her father break horses. At fifteen, she left home to teach in a frontier town -- riding five hundred miles on her pony, all alone, to get to her job. She learned to drive a car ("I loved cars even more than I loved horses. They didn't need to be fed if they weren't working, and they didn't leave big piles of manure all over the place") and fly a plane, and, with her husband, ran a vast ranch in Arizona. She raised two children, one of whom is Jeannette's memorable mother, Rosemary Smith Walls, unforgettably portrayed in "The Glass Castle." Lily survived tornadoes, droughts, floods, the Great Depression, and the most heartbreaking personal tragedy. She bristled at prejudice of all kinds -- against women, Native Americans, and anyone else who didn't fit the mold. "Half Broke Horses" is Laura Ingalls Wilder for adults, as riveting and dramatic as Isak Dinesen's "Out of Africa" or Beryl Markham's "West with the Night." It will transfix readers everywhere.

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有机会写篇书评.

虽然没有玻璃城堡好看，但还不错

说不上传奇但还是很牛掰的一声。选择造就了生活。文笔生动，没有很难的词汇。开始阅读就放不下的一本书。

没有太多的感觉。不如她的那本自传。当然从她的外婆的这本小传，可以看出基因的伟大。

作为《the glass castle》的前传，这本书要好看更多！比起 Jeannette 的姥姥来，她妈妈不论从人物性格、为人处世还是人生经历上来说都逊色好多。感觉这本书更适合拍成电影。这本书里作者提到了《Gone with the Wind》我觉得作者挺知道自己的书该往哪个方向靠的，姥姥的 gut/gumption 确实颇有斯嘉丽的风采。这种写法确实聪明，让读者产生熟悉感。关于 Jeannette 的妈妈怎么会长成那样的一个母亲，这完全是另外一个有关 nature v.s. nurture 的故事了。读完这两本书，我觉得世界上绝大多数父母应该都不知道 what they did right/wrong to end up with the kids of their own 吧。

Life's too short to worry about what other people think of you

主人公第一个丈夫是个油嘴滑舌的人，自己有了老婆，还是和主人公结婚了。当时觉得主人公的经历好特别，经历过前男友的事情后觉得只是自私冷漠无情无义的另一表现形式罢了。主人公的第二个丈夫就很好，主人公怀疑过他和别人出轨来着，还跟踪过他，他丈夫也就好好跟她解释表衷心了（顿时想起我看到前男友和某文科女生的聊天记录

他立刻就把密码改了。。。) 这本书挺好看的，当年觉得戏剧，现在觉得写实，喜欢坚强的女主角和喜欢坚强女主角的她的丈夫

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书评

Half Broke Horses By Jeannette Walls, author of The Glass Castle If you like Walls' previous novel "The Glass Castle", you will probably like this one. Some say "Half Broke Horses" is good, but not "The Glass Castle" good. I find them equally fa...

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