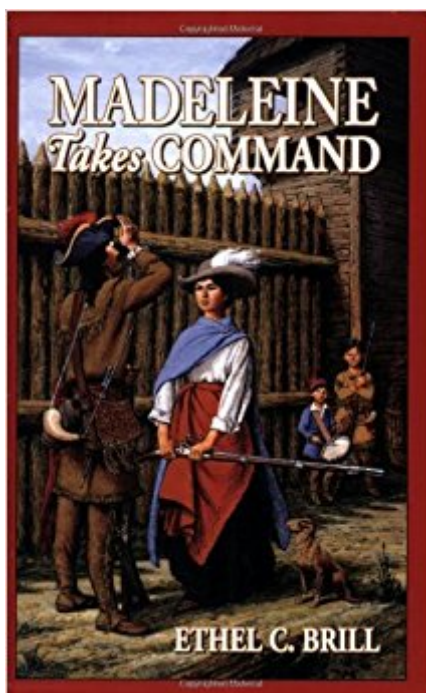


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# Madeleine Takes Command (Living History Library)



## Synopsis

This historical novel, set in 17th century New France, features Madeleine de Vercheres a teenage girl who takes up arms in defense of family, country, and faith against the Iroquois.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 10 and up

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## Customer Reviews

This historical novel fills in a piece of the American history experience and Canada's background. It was a nice continuation of a book I read about Samuel de Champlain. I thoroughly enjoyed this book because it painted vivid images of what life must have been like about three hundred years ago in New France. Many parts of daily life, survival in a primitive world and what threatened their existence are found in the conversations of the characters. The main character Madeleine heroically faces problems from both external threats and taking care of the problems between her siblings especially the ones who were prejudice; she is the voice of reason. I think this book was also great because it had Christian world view. Finally reading it aloud to my mom was a helpful vocabulary study.

We bought this book to go with our homeschool history curriculum. It's interesting and gives a peek into the lives of French Canadians during their early days in Canada.

Interesting. Good read for young adult. Story about how a young girl who is clever and courageous can turn the tide against unimaginable odds.

My 10 yr old and I read this for read aloud. We could hardly wait to read the next chapter each day, and I loved the values it taught.

Great book. Its historical and kept my 8 (girl) and 11(boy) year old reading. They enjoyed it so much it inspired requested for additional historical books.

My 10-year-old loved this book! Outstanding.

Best book have read in a long time.

I'm afraid I'm going to have to differ from the real positive reviews on here. While a fascinating story, about the young girl of French descent in Canada, taking charge of the fort and defending it from Indian attack; this has to rank as one of the most dull renditions of an exciting historical event, ever. Sometimes, I would have to re-read the exciting parts, because I would almost miss them, since somehow the rendition of this story is exceedingly dull. For example: when she is running back into the fort for safety, the reader doesn't feel the excitement nor the danger that she's experiencing. The main worth of this book, is that it introduced me to Madeline des Verchères' story, of which I was unaware, prior to now. And it is exciting to have such a young girl heroine in the history books. However, I do hope to find a more thrilling rendition of her exciting story, someday.

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