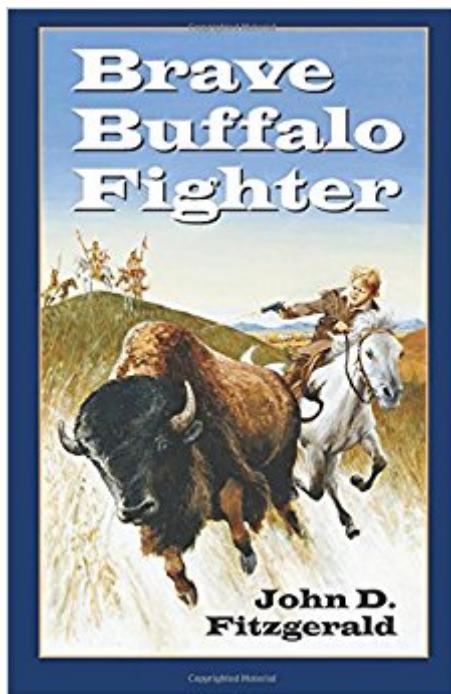


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Brave Buffalo Fighter



Synopsis

Ten-year-old Susan relates the adventures and frustrations of her family's wagon train west, culminating when her twelve-year-old brother is asked to turn himself over to the Indians in order to save the lives of the rest of the party. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

I just read *Brave Buffalo Fighter*, and thought it was a pretty good book. I didn't read it as a child, but decided to read it now, because I liked the Great Brain books so much, that I wanted to read more by John D. Fitzgerald. While the book kept my attention, I was surprised that the story was much more dramatic and had a harsher storyline than his other writings. This story lacked the humor of his other stories, but had the same historical fiction qualities.

I was very happy to see this title in print again. I stumbled across it in the library as a child. I was a huge fan of the Great Brain series, but when I read this book it quickly became my favorite. Finding it in print again all these years later was like running into an old friend!

I read this book to my husband and sons, in the car, while on a trip. They were captivated and

wouldn't let me stop reading. Great story.

My 10 year old son LOVED this book. It kept his attention and he could not put it down. Great Book!!

Having grown up on the East side of Utah, the Great Brain was a treasured child hood companion. However, I had completely forgotten that John Fitzgerald wrote this book too. My third grade teacher, Mr. Cody Jenkins read this book to us and I remember being "transported" to the times of the book--a feat that only great books can accomplish.

I usually am a huge fan of Bethlehem Books... but this one was a flat-out reject by me. It was part of my Catholic homeschooling curriculum for 5th grade and I was excited because it was Bethlehem Books (which I love). However, I was very concerned that in a matter of 10 minutes of reading:1. the wife is CONSTANTLY asserting herself as head in a very undermining and nasty way (her husband eventually stands up for himself, but does it in a very ungentlemanly and in return-nasty way, see below)2. The son disrespects his mother in a very bad way and the Father says "grow up, Ellen" to his wife when she asks her husband if he is going to allow that. To which the mother cries over the unjustness of that (not to mention the husband did this in front of the two children), to which he replies something to the like of "your crying isn't going to manipulate me anymore".3. The daughter decides to wear pants and the mother brings up how unladylike that is (which it was for that time); to which the Father goes on the typical feminist nonsense about how "hard" it is to wear petticoats, especially on a wagon train, and how ridiculous the mother is being (um, didn't the bulk of WOMEN wear dresses and petticoats, EVEN on these trips?! And they survived? Gasp!)4. Frequent name calling of even their own mother: a prude; sissy (to siblings); the girl isn't respected by her brother unless she doesn't act like a "sissy" (namely, he is forcing her to act like a boy); CONSTANT putting down of his wife in front of the children and THE WHOLE WAGON train, you name it. They really should have named this book "cowardly wife fighter" instead of "Brave Buffalo Fighter". I am not at ALL a feminist; I have 8 kiddos and am a homeschooling, stay at home momma of a dress wearing and veil wearing family of Catholics. LOL Yet I was AFFRONTED by the way the mother was treated in this book (and the way she treated her husband in the beginning as well). She may not have been very respectful of her husband initially, but it was totally unjust and ungentlemanly the way she was treated in this book. The WHOLE book's FOCUS was on the wife's ill behavior! Really sad. It would have been an awesome book if it had showed a little bit of family love. Can't

recommend!

I too have been searching for this book almost 20 years later. It's a book that you read and never forget. I could tell you the story and haven't read the book since 1985. How can such a great book be out of print?

I second the comments of the previous reviewer. I read this book as a twelve year old, and have spent the last twenty years looking for another copy. Hard to find, but well worth the search.

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