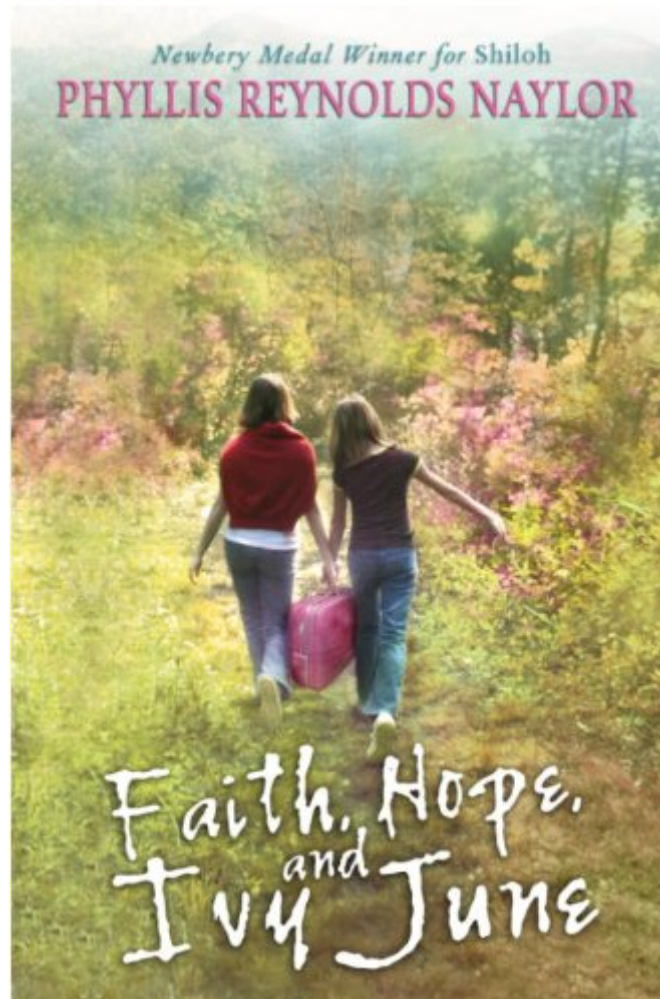




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# Faith, Hope, And Ivy June



## Synopsis

When push comes to shove, two Kentucky girls find strength in each other. Ivy June Mosely and Catherine Combs, two girls from different parts of Kentucky, are participating in the first seventh-grade student exchange program between their schools. The girls will stay at each other's homes, attend school together, and record their experience in their journals. Catherine and her family have a beautiful home with plenty of space. Since Ivy June's house is crowded, she lives with her grandparents. Her Pappaw works in the coal mines supporting four generations of kinfolk. Ivy June can't wait until he leaves that mine forever and retires. As the girls get closer, they discover they're more alike than different, especially when they face the terror of not knowing what's happening to those they love most. From the Hardcover edition.

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## Customer Reviews

My 10 year old daughter said this book was just plain boring. It was one of her choices for her 5th grade summer reading so she chose it. In her words: It's all about makeup, boyfriends and how to

get across a river. She made it just over halfway through the book and finally chose another book to read instead.

Faith Hope and Ivy June is a slow paced story of girls finding their place in their peer group, family and the world. Faith Hope and Ivy June is also an in-depth, insightful and moving story. It offers a realistic, but not judgmental, look at the very hard, very poor lives of Appalachian coal miners. It also shows how unaware and uninformed most of us - even the citizens of nearby cities - are when it comes to the Appalachian culture. Middle school female readers will identify with, and cheer for, Ivy June and her new big city friend, Catherine.

Outstanding story about family, friendship, community and prejudices. A great read for jr high girls. I loved the contrast of 2 completely different cultures within one state.

Great book!

My 11 year old daughter loved this book. She insisted I read it after she was finished. A great story about two girls with completely different lives brought together in a student exchange program. Ivy is from a mining community in the mountains and doesn't even have a bathroom in her house. She is set up with Catherine who is from the city and very well off. They are both smart, nice respectable girls who learn a lot from each other, and learn that you can't judge others based on stereo types.

Faith, Hope, and Ivy June is the type of book I enjoy reading. I work in a school system. I thought the whole idea of an exchange program was great and educational -- myself included.

I loved the fact that Ivy June and Catherine will see each other again at 18. They should make it a sequel!!! Tis was a very courageous journey through life with them both.

This book was AWESOME! Chapter #39 was one of the nearest, but longest I've ever read. Faith, Hope, and Ivy June is an awesome fifth through sixth grade book!

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