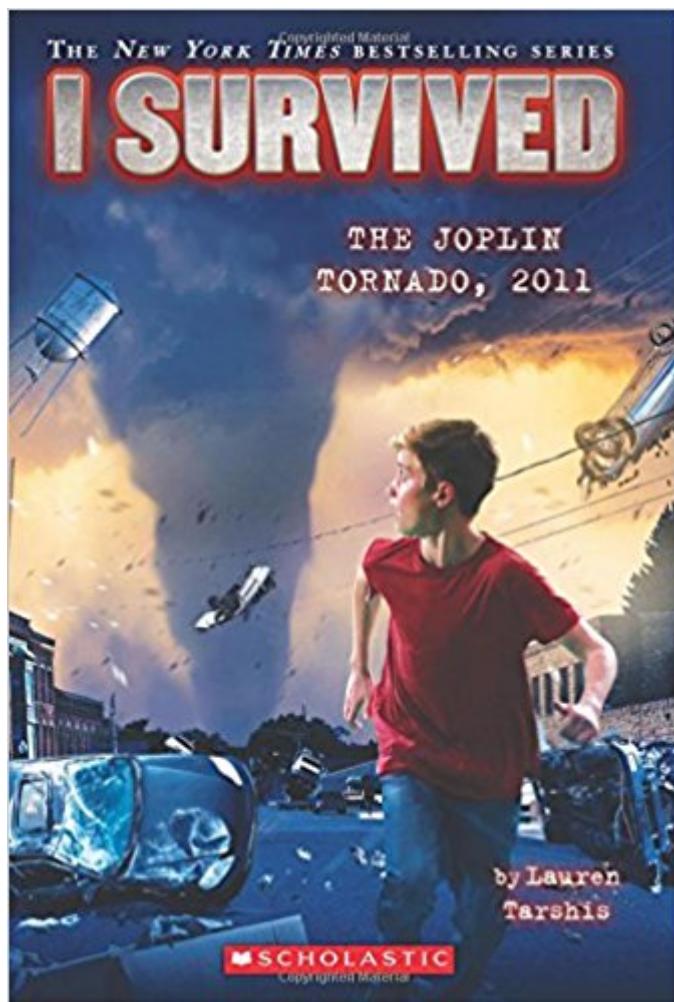


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# I Survived The Joplin Tornado, 2011 (I Survived #12)



## Synopsis

A destructive force is about to hit the city of Joplin... Eleven-year-old Dexter has always wanted to see a tornado. So when he gets the incredible opportunity to go storm chasing with the famous Dr. Norman Rays, he has to say yes! Dr. Rays is the host of Tornado Mysteries, the show that Dex and his older brother, Jeremy, watched every night until Jeremy joined the U.S. Navy SEALS and left Joplin. Dex certainly knows how deadly tornadoes can be, but this one isn't heading toward Joplin, and wouldn't it be great to have a brave and exciting story of his own to tell Jeremy when he comes home? But when the tornado shifts direction, Dexter's bravery is about to get seriously tested...

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Praise for *I Survived Hurricane Katrina*, 2005:  
"Expressive illustrations capture the drama of the storm and its aftermath, but the book's real power comes from its exploration of what it means to be a hero." -- Booklist

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This was well written, and well researched. We live in Galena, mentioned in the book, and spent countless hours doing clean-up and mission work after the storm. The only things I noted was that the author referred to Joplin as being in Southeast Missouri, when actually it is Southwest; and secondly, she referenced CVS Pharmacy, though it did not come to Joplin until sometime after the tornado. It is a good read, especially for the kids. The subject was a sensitive one, especially after seeing the trauma first hand, and she did a great job being realistic, but keeping it on a level appropriate for kids.

Great read for 3rd grade readers. Can be read alone or aloud. This story deals with the Joplin Tornadoes in a very neutral and child friendly way, yet without sugar coating anything. I read it to my 3rd grade son. He is a sensitive kid and doesn't like Goosebumps stories, so I was a little worried that this might scare him and we'd be having bedtime problems. It did not. He was not scared and asked a lot of questions. Appropriate content for 2nd graders, too if their reading level is there. We have had a lot of luck with the "I Survived" chapter books during the 3rd grade year. It's a solid go-to series to knock out those book reports.

I have a child who doesn't enjoy reading. These books are one of the exceptions. They are adventure novels for upper elementary/middle school age children. As in this book, the main characters are usually boys.

Lauren Tarshis has done it again! She manages time after time to write books about true events that are educational without that being obvious to the young reader! They are engaging and relevant to the thought process of the average 9-10 year old and that makes them an excellent choice for

young readers. Ours was a reluctant reader until he discovered this series and now we cannot slow him down!

I ordered this book for my tween daughter. She read it in one sitting. She loved it. She was enamoured with the plot and when she finished reading, she looked up more facts about the Joplin tornado. I love this series and how it piques the interest of the kids to learn more about the event.

I was in the Joplin tornado and was on the property of the destroyed hospital that is mentioned in the book. This is a fantastic book and I am so happy that the author included tips for tornado safety at the end. I wouldn't have changed a thing about it if I would have written it myself. Wonderful!

He likes tornadoes. He's brother was a Navy Seal. It was action packed! However, he was sorry about ask the people who were hurt. From my 9 year old son....

Excellent product that was delivered ahead of schedule--would buy from seller again.

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