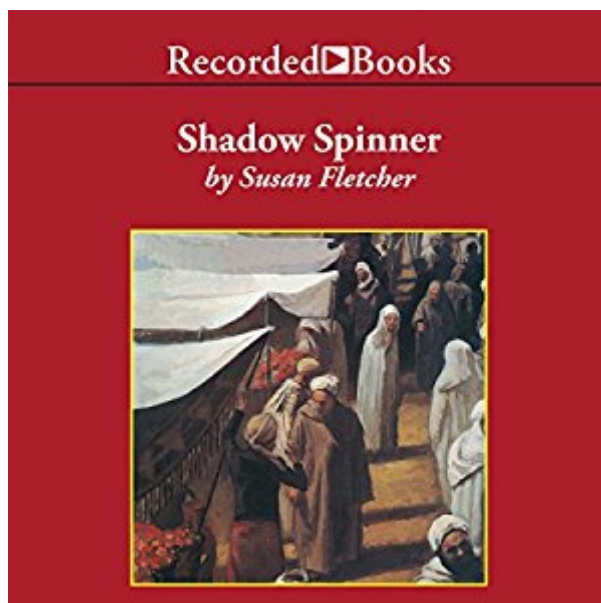


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# Shadow Spinner



## Synopsis

Marjan is a poor, crippled orphan girl, but she is happy living with her aunt and uncle in the sultan's city. Her hero is the beautiful Shahrazad, who has bewitched the sultan with her nightly tales and thus keeps him from killing other wives. Marjan wonders what Shahrazad's life is like in the silken rooms of the palace. She will soon find out. Taken to the palace to help Shahrazad find new tales, Marjan realizes that the lovely woman is a prisoner of the cycle of stories. To save her hero, Marjan must not only dodge the dangerous intrigues of the court but also begin a new chapter of her own life. Popular author Susan Fletcher's fascination with storytelling shines from her version of Arabian Nights. Listeners of all ages will love this fresh approach to the ancient collection of fabulous tales, made even more lyrical with Suzanne Toren's musical narration.

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## Customer Reviews

Every day, when night comes, the king kills his wife and marries a new one. When he marries Sharhazad, she tells him a story every night, and the king lets her live another day to continue the story. But, as she runs out of stories, Marjan, a young teenage girl with a maimed foot, comes to find stories near and far. She soon discovers herself in her own story. I first got this book after meeting Fletcher. I was not quite sure whether to rate this book two stars or three. But, actually, I'd now rate it three and a half. The story was quite interesting at the beginning, and started to get a little slower. The quality of the writing is a positive five stars, but the story strayed a little from Marjan finding the stories. Though it was quite slow, the story did have a great topic and was well written. I must say the ending was very compelling and mysterious. You felt as if you were there with Marjan.

The ending was definitely the best part of the book, which is partially why I rated it higher. I recommend this book for anyone who's looking for a good tale. -Gina Bertaina, age eleven

Suspenseful--author's tips for storytelling at the beginning of each chapter are life-relevant as well as foreshadowing in the story. Keeps kids on the edge of their seat as there are many twists and turns in this plot and yet it all pulls together some how.

A good read-aloud or just for fun!

I love stories nestled in other stories and this book delivers just that. This is a story about the power of stories and in it we find a story about the strength of women, a story about the power of love, a story about the importance of forgiveness... My daughter and I read this book out loud together as part of her school day and we loved every minute of it.

My 12-year-old rates this as, "One good book!" We both were captivated by the story and could hardly wait to read the next chapter.

Perfect for my sons class and he loved the story

This book will have you on the edge of your seat waiting to see what becomes of Sharazad's slaves and helpers or if there is going to be another assassination.

This fictional novel based on Scheherazade is a quick and light read. The writing style is basic and the characters are predictable. This book would be best enjoyed listening to a taped recording with your family.

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