

When The Sky Falls

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Reviewed by: Lily & James

Blurb

1941. War is raging. And one angry boy has been sent to the city, where bombers rule the skies. There, Joseph will live with Mrs F, a gruff woman with no fondness for children. Her only loves are the rundown zoo she owns and its mighty silverback gorilla, Adonis. As the weeks pass, bonds deepen and secrets are revealed, but if the bombers set Adonis rampaging free, will either of them be able to end the life of the one thing they truly love?

Inspired by a true story.

Lily's Review

When The Sky Falls is about a boy named Joseph who is evacuated to live with Mrs F, a gruff old woman who dislikes children, and her only love is her silverback gorilla Adonis. Joseph hates it, but soon starts a bond with Adonis, especially after he rescued him from Bert and Jimmy, the Bullies. But at the end, the bombs drop, and the bond starts to wither...

James's Review

I find it rather boring because mostly, it is about a ape and getting cared for and being aimed at by a rifle but I did find it "exciting" about when the book started and when he had stolen some cheese and bacon and when the man threatened to get the police officers over but he actually had more rations than normal people. Also, I found it also amusing when a couple of boys start to bully him but soon the ape "protects" the Joseph (the boy) and grabs hold of one of the bullies. Although, the book was rather boring but it was kind of good so I think I would rate the book 2 and a half stars.

