

The glass castle



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Jeannette Walls the author of New York Times bestseller *The Glass Castle* has great media reports. Jeannette was born in Phoenix, Arizona, her family and herself have lived in several southwestern towns before settling down in Welch, West Virginia at the age of ten. She graduated from Columbia University's Barnard College with honors. She's also the author of the novel *Broken Horses*. Walls writing styles are biographies and memoirs.

I recommend the book to anyone who thinks their life isn't the best once you read this book you'll have a new perspective. The title *The Glass Castle* signifies the home Rex Walls promises Jeannette and her family he would build. (Mountain Goat) also known as Jeannette Walls by her father Rex Walls is the main character of *The Glass Castle*. The challenges her family encounters are told in her perspective. Throughout the book Jeannette along with her siblings Lori, Brian, and Maureen stand together and face many struggles how to write a personal essay for medical school. The novel begins when Jeannette is three years old and burns half of her body trying to heat hot dogs.

She's taken to the hospitable by her mother Rosemary Walls and neighbor. She ends up staying there for six weeks because her father decided they were going to check out the Rex Wall style. Throughout the book Jeannette and her family face difficulties that affect her life. Jeannette's father wasn't the best. He stole money from her and let a guy at bar molest her to pay back the money he owed her. She felt betrayed but she still loved him. Jeannette had faith in him and she would always stand up for him in any situation.

A passage I thought was significant was when he asked her what she wanted for her birthday but she was too scared to tell him. He said ??? You know if it's humanly possible I??™ I'll get it for you and if it ain't humanly possible I??™ I'll die trying.??? She asked him to stop drinking. He tried but failed he ended up drinking again. I think this passage shows how even though Rex wasn??™t a great father he still tried to give his family the best he could. It shows that he had good intentions for his family. At the end of the book her father gets tuberculosis but overcomes it.

Later on, though he gets a rare disease and dies. His funeral is the last time the family gets together. The story is told in chronological order and it's very easy to understand. I think the way this book is written is interesting because it's told in first person by Jeannette and all of her experiences. It shows how she felt and the way things impacted her.

All her struggles and accomplishments are written as if you were really there. The events are described in good detail. The theme of this book is not to take things for granted it makes you think and appreciate all the stuff that you have. It shows that hard work pays off at the end. All you need to be is persistent and you??™ I'll accomplish a lot. From my personal experience I know how it is, no matter how tough things get you have to be optimistic of the situation.

Jeannette didn??™t have much and yet she still managed to be successful in life. She accomplished her dreams, graduated from college, worked at a magazine doing articles, and got married. This book made me cry because no human deserves to go through what Jeannette went through. This book

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