

Black beauty essay



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Type of Book: Fiction Setting: This story takes place during the mid - to late - nineteenth - century at various English stables.

Characters Black Beauty Duchess(Black Beauty's Mother) Ginger(chestnut mare) Squire Gordon(the owner of Birtwick Park) John and James(the stable gooms) Joe Green(the young groom) Jerry Baker(the kind owner of the cab fleet) Nicholas Skinner(the cruel owner of the cab fleet) Mr. Thorouhgood(the good farmer) Plot This story is told by Black Beauty. Black Beauty tells of his carefree days as a foal, his difficult life pulling cabs, and his happy retirement in the country. Opinion I learned so much from This book . I loved this book because it teaches us about the cruel treatment of horses .

Through Black Beauty eyes, we can feel his pride, pain , suffering , and joy. This book was one of the first books to use an animal in the first person . I think this makes the story more real for the reader . Plot Black Beauty tells his Life story from begining to end . Black Beauty shares with the reader the pride he develops from living on a wealthy estate with his mother, the pain that he endures when he must leave her , the suffering he endures while pulling a carriage or a wealthy woman, and the joy of being reunited with an old friend . Author: Anna Sewell Adapted by: Deidre Laiken Illustrator: Note Listed Summary: This story begins with Black Beauty living in the meadow on a country estate with his mother.

This is where Black Beauty is taught how to behave by his mother, Dutchess. This is also where Black Beauty is taught how to wear a bridle, bit, saddle, and harness. Black Beauty is sold at the age of four to Squire Gordon, the

owner of Birtwick Park. At Birtwick park, Black Beauty meets Ginger. He learns through Ginger's stories how cruel humans can be to animals.

The stable grooms, James and John treat the horses at Birtwick Park with kindness. James takes a new job and leaves Birtwick Park. Joe Green, a young boy, is hired to replace James. Joe forgets to cover Black Beauty on night after he had run a long way to get a doctor for the mistress.

Black Beauty develops an infection in his lungs and almost dies. Black Beauty is sold because the mistress of Birtwick Park is ill and must move. Mr. York, the owner of Earlshall Park, buys Black Beauty. The Mistress of Earlshall Park insists that Black Beauty wear a check-rein that is tightly pulled. This was considered fashionable.

This made pulling the carriage very difficult for Black Beauty. One day when Mr. York leaves on a business trip, he leaves Black Beauty in the care of Reuben Smith. Reuben gets drunk and rides Black Beauty even though he knows that he is missing a shoe. Black Beauty falls and Reuben is killed.

Black Beauty suffers from damaged knees. Mr. York feels that it would not be fashionable to have a horse with scarred knees in his stables. He sells Black Beauty to a man who rents out horses and carriages. Black Beauty is treated roughly by drivers with little experience driving a carriage. Black Beauty is sold again.

This time a man named Mr. Barry buys Black Beauty. Mr. Barry hires a man named Filcher as a stable groom.

Filcher steals Black Beauty's oats. He does not clean Black Beauty's stable and he develops a hoof infection. Mr. Barry sells Black Beauty at a fair. Black Beauty is purchased by Jerry Baker, a cab owner. Jerry is kind to Black Beauty, but Black Beauty works hard pulling a cab along side another horse named Captain.

Jerry becomes ill and must stop driving a cab. He sells Black Beauty to a corn dealer and baker. Black Beauty is forced to carry heavy loads while wearing a check-rein. This work wears Black Beauty down. He is sold again.

This time a man named Nicholas Skinner, another cab owner, buys Black Beauty. Nicholas is hard on his drivers and his drivers are hard on the horses. Black Beauty collapses and almost dies when he is forced to carry and family and their luggage up a hill. Black Beauty finds himself being sold at a fair again.

Farmer Thoroughgood and his grandson buy Black Beauty and nurse him back to good health. They want to find a good home for Black Beauty. Black Beauty is sold to Miss Ellen. Miss Ellen promises to never sell the horse. Black Beauty discovers that Miss Ellen's stable groom is Joe Green, the young man who had been his stable groom years ago.

The story ends with Black Beauty knowing that he will spend the rest of his life with people that will love him and treat him well.