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More Perfect Than The Moon (Sarah, Plain And Tall)

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Synopsis

I am a watcher. I am a listener, too. I am invisible. I can make myself so small and quiet and hidden that sometimes no one knows I am there to watch and listen.Cassie spends her days watching Grandfather and Caleb in the barn, looking out at Papa working the fields, spying on her mother, Sarah, feeding the goslings. She's an observer, a writer, a storyteller. Everything is as it should be.But change is inevitable, even on the prairie. Something new is expected, and Sarah says it will be the perfect gift. Cassie isn't so sure. But just as life changes, people change too. And Cassie learns that unexpected surprises can bring great joy.

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Customer Reviews

"More Perfect Than The Moon" is the fourth in a series by Patricia MacLachlan about the Witting family. In this author's books the stories are told through the journal writings of the children. In this latest book, Cassandra Sarah Witting is now a third grader who discovers that her mother is once again pregnant. She is afraid that she will lose her parents' attention. She hides her fear by announcing that the baby is not a "special" gift nor even a real baby. In fact, it is really a sheep

named Beatrice. When the baby finally comes, Cassie realizes that he is truly a gift "more perfect than the moon".You do not have to read the previous books to enjoy this short 80-page one. Ms. MacLachlan uses simple language and tells a beautiful story with such few words. Some may say that this is a "girly" book. After all, there are no wars, no fights, no monsters and no superheroes (boys my age love this stuff). But any kid, boy or girl, with a new baby in the family, will probably have the same feelings as Cassie. An important theme in the book is Journaling. It is important that all children learn this craft. After all, everyone has a unique life story to tell.

I’m a 3rd grade teacher and have taught for 13 years. I have read the "Sarah, Plain and Tall" series to my students for almost that long. They LOVE it and they HATE when it time for us to be done with all the books. I really enjoy giving them rich characters with a familial story of hardship, endurance, and perserverance. It’s a great read for kids!

The writing style has always been wonderful in requiring the reader to draw information from implicit statements. Wonderful to have another opportunity with this book for the kids to read between the lines!

Added this to the collection for the kids. I loved the books they telling good wholesome stories for children. The three film series of Sarah Plain and Tall, Skylark and Winters End are based on these books. Well worth reading.

This is a book that offers good insight on a little girl’s perspective of a new baby in the house. I bought it for a struggling reader in 5th grade and the student really enjoyed it. It gave her a lot of motivation to read.

Met the author and I was buying the books for an auction (we were doing the play of the authors book (Sarah Plain and Tall) and she told me there was one more in the series. The book store sold out. This finished the set and just adore Patricia what a wonderful lady.

Author Patricia MacLachlan, most famous for "Sarah, Plain and Tall," invites us back to re-visit the Witting family in "More Perfect than the Moon." Mother Sarah is pregnant in "More Perfect than the Moon," much to youngest daughter Cassie’s chagrin. Cassie chronicles her feelings and emotions about the upcoming arrival of the ’terrible baby’ in a private journal she keeps. Cassie’s private

journal entries are sometimes true happenings around the Witting farm. Other times, the entries are what Cassie wishes would happen. Either way, the entries had me smiling and laughing out loud. MacLachlan holds true to her typical writing style and shows us that change is inevitable and made bearable by the love of family. Another heart-warming, laugh-out-loud, easy read by MacLachlan.

This series is one of the best I ever have read. Love thw word choices and lovely details. Some of the greatest books I've read and this book is one of them. I have read the whole series at least 3 times and it is still so amazing and never gets boring. I would definitely rate this book a 5 stars and recommend to anyone at any age :D

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