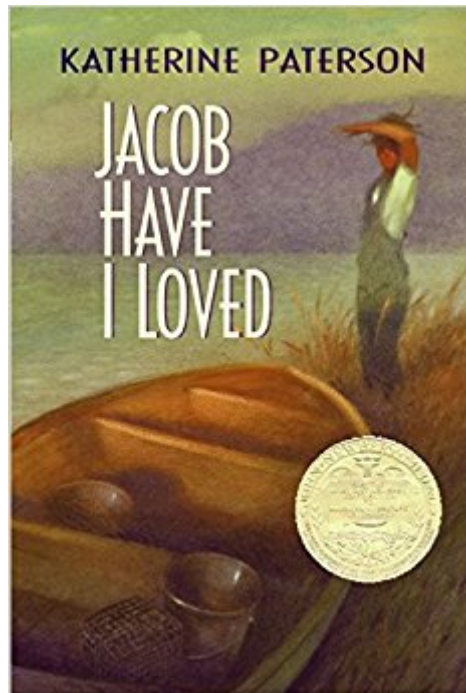




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# Jacob Have I Loved



## Synopsis

The remarkable Newbery-winning classic about a painful sibling rivalry, and one sister's struggle to make her own way. Sara Louise Bradshaw is sick and tired of her beautiful twin Caroline. Ever since they were born, Caroline has been the pretty one, the talented one, the better sister. Even now, Caroline seems to take everything: Louise's friends, their parents' love, her dreams for the future. For once in her life, Louise wants to be the special one. But in order to do that, she must first figure out who she is . . . and find a way to make a place for herself outside her sister's shadow.

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"With wry humor, Sara Louise recalls her turbulent adolescence on Rass Island and her intense jealousy of her twin sister. Strength of characterization and memorable external and internal action mark this superbly crafted novel about a quest for self-knowledge." -- "1991 Newbery Committee" (ALA) "A novel of special brilliance." -- "New York Times Book Review" "Simply irresistible." -- "Publishers Weekly"

I was proud of my sister, but that year, something began to rankle beneath the pride. Louise has had enough of her twin sister. Caroline is beautiful. Caroline is talented. Caroline is better. Growing up on the small island of Rass in Chesapeake Bay, Caroline seems to do nothing but take from Louise: their parents' love, Louise's chances for an education, her dreams for the future. They have spent their lives entwined -- sleeping in the same room, eating at the same table, learning in the same

classroom -- and yet somehow nothing can bring them together. Louise's only hope lies in seeking a place for herself beyond the stretch of Rass's shores and her sister's shadow. What will it take for her to break free? --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Every time I read this book, I feel more emotions. Especially now, as an adult who knows a pair of twins whose lives uncannily resemble Louise and Caroline's.

A must for anyone who had experienced sibling rivalry. Also a fascinating look at the culture of an island - bound waterman society. The protagonist is so well drawn that I felt, by the end of the book, as if she were a personal friend. I will look for more books from Katherine Patterson.

Real characters, feelings, struggles, & life issues make this a real gem of a book. Yes, it's geared in many ways to a younger female audience. But Ms. Paterson has successfully created something special for young & old, alike. I would share this with my daughter or granddaughters.

A story that soars from Huck Finn to Bridge to Teribithia to a keening Bildungsroman, Patterson layers on complexity in this novel that defies genre and stands in my mind as the greatest of her well accomplished career novels.

It is a story worth reading but it disappoints overall. Spends way too much time on the childhood of the main character and not enough time in her adulthood. In my mind, some issues are left unresolved. The locale, an island in the Chesapeake Bay, is dealt with very well and really brings home life on the island of Rass. I liked the main character, Sara Louise (Wheeze), and wished to learn more about her as a midwife in an Appalachian Mountain town of Truitt. Maybe in another book???

Good story about an fairly isolated society and their ways of life. The Tom-boy twin actually becomes her own worst enemy. She drifts into a life style that was a very different way of life for the normal girl ways of the island. Good ending...winding up in an isolated town in the mountains.

The beginning was kinda slow, but as you keep reading, it just gets better. I really loved the ending, it was perfect. She gets what she wants, and was that Caroline singing, or some stranger? Whoever it was, they sang her poem, she's not forgotten or hidden anymore!!! Good book, maybe for older

readers though.

I loved this book so much! It highlights relationship between twin girls. Shows how one is jealous of the other because things seem to come to easy for her. Even in their births, how one was easy and the other complicated. Deals with the perceptions of the jealous twin and her feelings. Deals with romantic ideas related to an older man by one of the twins. This book pretty much has something to offer every reader. I highly recommend it to those who love to read.

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