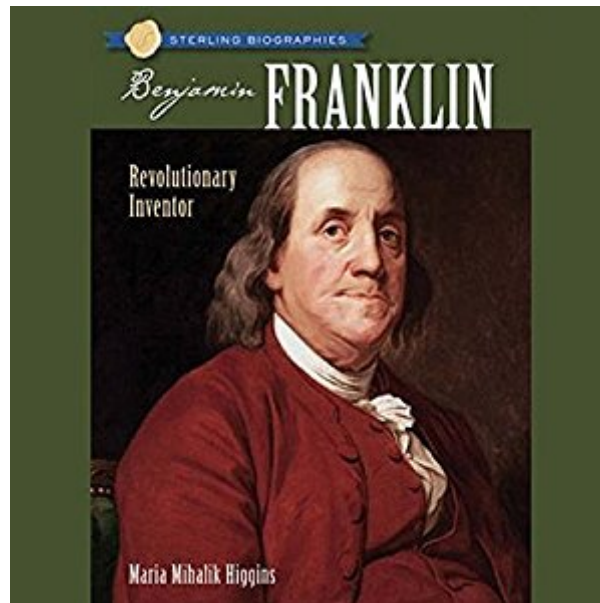




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I bought this book for my 12 year old son as we were making a trip to Philadelphia. I read the book before giving it to him as I really like history, too. Previously, I had read another short biography of Benjamin Franklin, and I liked the way this author keeps the subject matter interesting. The author notes Franklin's accomplishments as well as his negative side and decisions. Also, I knew that Franklin traveled, but was not aware of how many years he traveled and the places he visited. One thing that annoyed me a little is the author called Benjamin Franklin "Ben" constantly in this biography, and I do not think he was referred to as Ben commonly in his lifetime - but I could be wrong! I guess the author wanted to keep the reading casual and friendly for the kiddies. From a youth's perspective, I think this is a good book, but for an adult, not very challenging at all.

This is a very good way for a student to learn history. There is something in it for family members of every age.

Excellent condition! Exactly as stated.

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B. Franklin was born a curious man. He was interested in finding new ways to make things better and even inventing new things. He lived a lonely life but had friends. Franklin had many jobs though and learned about how to do different things like a how to be a printor or a statesman or even a civic leader. Franklin was also an inventor. He invented a lot of different things like a lightning rod. If you read this book, you will find many different things he invented and you'll be surprised at what he did to do it. The main characters in this biography are obviously his friends and family. They were practically almosst everywhere in Europe and Penssylvania. The further you read into this book, there will be many different events but I can't tell you them unless you read it.I found this book to interesting and suprising because Benjamin Franklin was a very curios man even for his days in life. This book was " Beautifully designed", " Young readers will find this easy to follow", " A Must read!".

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