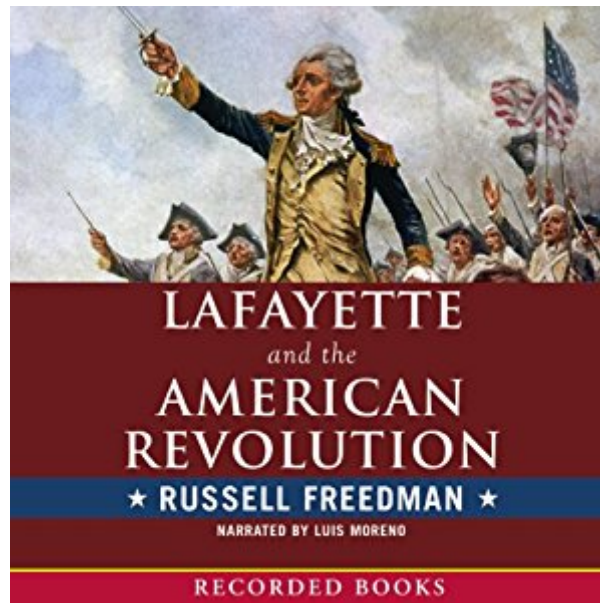




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What a story, what a life Lafayette had. So filled with adventure, riches, success, defeat, love, devotion, courage, self-sacrifice, and seemingly divine appointments. The kind of story and written in the sort of way that gives you a chill up your spine, a mist in your eyes. The beauty of dignified, noble and courageous sentiment - the things people did when moved by great sentiment - when fighting for something noble was a real and worthy thing and not something to be mocked. This is required reading for my Homeschool Cooperative 8th grade US History class.

My 4th grader loved this!!

Great book

A well-written picture book for ages teen to adult. Very informative.

I like history and this is a great easy to read book on the American Revolution. Perfect size for people to pick up and read.

This is an excellent book for children about the American Revolution and France's involvement. The book came in the appropriate time frame and it was in excellent condition.

I've read two "adult" books on Lafayette in the past couple of years. I live in a town named after Lafayette and had never even heard of this forgotten hero until an older guy told me about him. Anyway, there is SO much on Lafayette's life, I was very curious to know what the author here would choose to highlight in this book geared towards youth. I just finished the book last night and had to write a review because I thought he did such an ABSOLUTELY good job in pulling out the highlights that give Lafayette the proper credit for his achievements. One thing I loved about this book, too, was all the quotes he gave from Lafayette's letters and others' words about Lafayette. I love quotes because they are the firsthand proof and let us interpret the words for ourselves instead of the author interpreting the words for us. Of course, the photos are great and he just told the story SO well! As a mom who is passionate about training my sons to be students of history, I will be getting more of this author's biographies to share with them. General Lafayette's story is truly inspiring and the more I learn about him, the more I can't believe so many of us have never even heard of him!

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