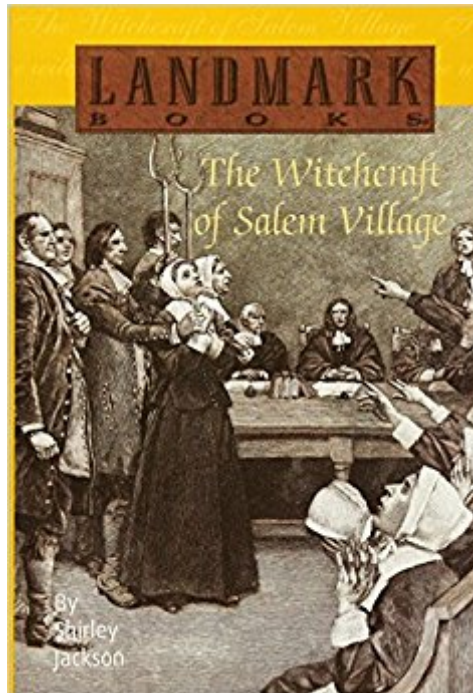




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If you are a Shirley Jackson fan then I recommend this!

I bought this book for a history class and wrote a paper on it, but it was surprisingly entertaining. It's a good short read packed full of historical information.

A good book written for about fifth or sixth grade.

Nonfiction that reads like fiction from the one and only Shirley Jackson. Remember reading this in elementary school, before I knew who Jackson was-- delighted to find it again. Very readable as an adult, great for kids of all ages who want to get a handle on this grim chapter in American life

This is one of Shirley Jackson's lesser known books. Written for her son, I found it an easy read and full of information that surprised me. And I mean, written by Shirley Jackson the author of *The Haunting* and *The Lottery*.

I only knew of Salem 'witchcraft' in part. I wanted to find out more, because in my parish in Nigeria we had a primary school child who disrupted her family with witchcraft phantasies. It seems to have been a 21st century repetition of the deception wrought in Salem. (Fr.) Bob Dundon, S.J., St. Joseph's Parish, Benin City

This is a great book about Salem Village and the power of witchcraft in their time a must read for all history lovers out there

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