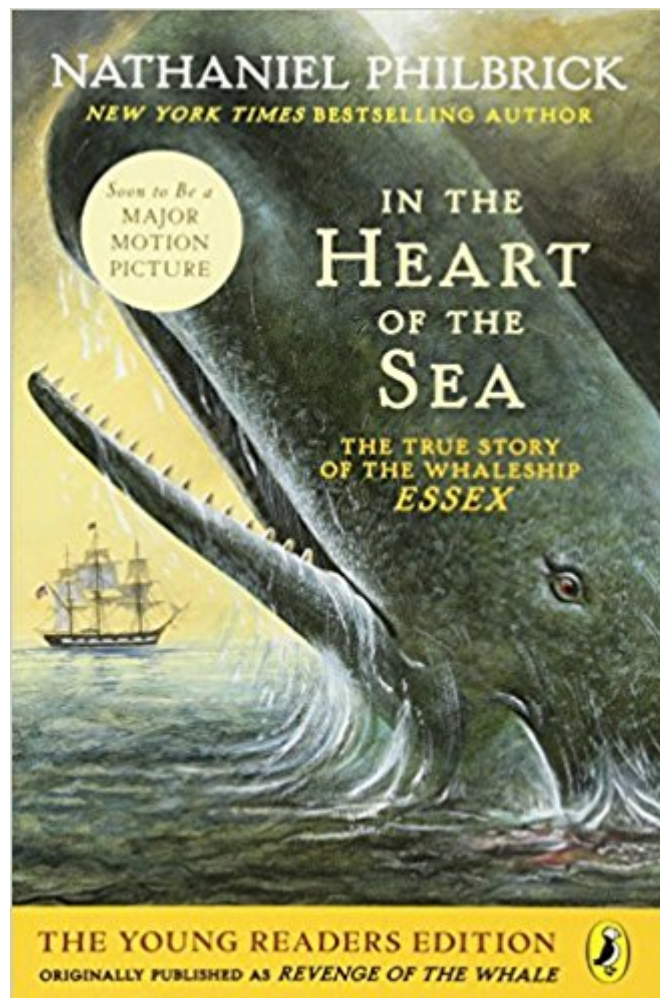




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In The Heart Of The Sea (Young Readers Edition): The True Story Of The Whaleship Essex



Synopsis

The *New York Times* bestselling and National Book Award winning *In the Heart of the Sea*, soon to be a major motion picture directed by Ron Howard, adapted by the author for young readers. On November 20, 1820, the whaleship *Essex* was rammed and sunk by an angry whale. Within minutes, the twenty-one-man crew, including the fourteen-year-old cabin boy Thomas Nickerson, found themselves stranded in three leaky boats in the middle of the Pacific Ocean with barely any supplies and little hope. Three months later, two of the boats were rescued 4,500 miles away, off the coast of South America. Of the twenty-one castaways, only eight survived, including young Thomas. Based on his *New York Times* best-seller *In the Heart of the Sea*, Nathaniel Philbrick recreates the amazing events of the ill-fated *Essex* through the sailors' own first-hand accounts, photos, maps, and artwork, and tells the tale of one of the great true-life adventure stories. "Horribly engrossing." —*Kirkus Reviews* "A compelling saga of desperation and survival." —*School Library Journal*

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Customer Reviews

Nathaniel Philbrick is the author of numerous highly acclaimed novels including the *New York Times* bestsellers *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War*, which was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in History, and *In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex*, which

won the National Book Award. His first book for young readers, *Revenge of the Whale: The True Story of the Whaleship Essex*, was a Boston Globe/Horn Book Nonfiction Honor Book. His most recent books are *Why Read Moby-Dick?*, *The Last Stand*, *Bunker Hill*, and *Sea of Glory*. A champion sailboat racer, he has lived on Nantucket Island since 1986. Visit Nathaniel Philbrick at www.nathanielphilbrick.com.

The true version of what really happened in Moby Dick. The young readers version is close enough to the original version of *In the Heart of the Sea*, but with out all the pages. Perfect for a teacher read aloud. I plan on omitting chapter 11 due to the "bad parts" that are not quite fourth grade appropriate. Other than that its one of the great all time adventures. Grit, determination all under the harshest of conditions. How much can man endure?

Very easy to read description of what happened to that ship and to the people in the shipwreck I like the way towards the end they connected it to Moby Dick

Great read and very informative. Well written from the accounts of many involved in the Essex tragedy. I read it in a day. It's one of those books that you can't put down once you start.

Interesting and exciting - one of my favorite books in the past few years

Bought it for my 15 year old son. He wanted to see movie and thought he might enjoy reading book first. He said book was awesome!

Have to read it for school....required. Started out slow but it is getting better

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