

Mother Daughter Book Club by Heather Vogel Frederick

Here is a little background information about our First Chapter Friday title and its creator. Feel free to add your own notes and thoughts in the bottom box.



Read Aloud Video

What's It About?

The book club is about to get a makeover....

Even if Megan would rather be at the mall, Cassidy is late for hockey practice, Emma's already read every book in existence, and Jess is missing her mother too much to care, the new book club is scheduled to meet every month. But what begins as a momimposed ritual of reading Little Women soon helps four unlikely friends navigate the drama of middle school. From stolen journals, to secret crushes, to a fashion-fiasco first dance, the girls are up to their Wellie boots in drama. They can't help but wonder: What would Jo March do?

Acclaimed author Heather Vogel Frederick will delight daughters of all ages in a novel about the fabulousness of fiction, family, and friendship.

Who Wrote It?

Before Heather became a writer, She was a reader—and still is. She was born in Peterborough, New Hampshire, into a family of bookworms, and spent most of her childhood holed up in the library or in my bedroom, reading. Her father was a teacher and principal and read to her and her sisters a lot. Her favorite part was when he acted the stories out and did fabulous voices. Heather always loved writing and did a lot of it as a child. After college, she wrote for a lot of newspapers and print publications including The New York Times, Publisher's Weekly, The Christian Science Monitor and Family Life, Heather's first novel. The Voyage of Patience Goodspeed, was published in 2002, and she has been writing books ever since. Today, after spending more than 20 happy years in the Pacific Northwest and close to another decade in Boston, she and her husband have embarked on a new adventure, living in Europe, Portugal, to be exact! They love their



little medieval city, with its castle ruins and charming gardens and weekly open-air market. Our city apartment may not look like that English cottage of her childhood, but it's peaceful and full of light — just right for a writer!

AR Reading Level: 4.6

Lexile Level: 800L

I want to read this book: YES / NO

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