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What I Carry by Jennifer Longo

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?

Growing up in foster care, Muir has lived in many houses. And if she's learned one thing, it is to Pack, Light, Carry only what fits in a suitcase. Toothbrush? Yes Socks? Yes Emotional attachment to friends? Foster families? A boyfriend? Nope! There's no room for any additional baggage. Muir has just one year left before she ages out of the system. One year before she's free. One year to avoid anything - or anyone – that could get in her way. Then she meets Francine. And Kira, And Sean

And everything changes.

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Who Wrote It?

A California native and San Francisco transplant, Jennifer lives with her husband and daughter on an island near Seattle, Washington. Jen holds a BA in Acting from San Francisco State University and an MFA in Writing For Theatre from Humboldt State University. As of 2024 she has written and published 3 young adult novels and also 3 scripts for plays. When not writing, Jen spends her days walking her dogs, recording podcast episodes with her daughter, and reading her way down her ridiculously long holds list at the library.



You can learn more about Jennifer on her website at: www.jenlongo.com

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