



***Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Safran Foer**

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*Age Range: Adult (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: N/A (Recommended by *School Library Journal*)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

A funny, uplifting coming-of-age story about a boy's journey through New York in the aftermath of September 11th from one of today's most celebrated writers.

Nine-year-old Oskar Schell embarks on an urgent, secret mission that will take him through the five boroughs of New York. His goal is to find the lock that matches a mysterious key that belonged to his father, who died in the World Trade Center on the morning of September 11. This seemingly impossible task will bring Oskar into contact with survivors of all sorts of an exhilarating, affecting, often hilarious, and ultimately healing journey. With humor, tenderness, and awe, Jonathan Safran Foer confronts the traumas of our country's difficult history.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"Energetic, inventive, and ambitious...an uplifting myth born of the sorrows of 9/11." —*Boston Sunday Globe*

"*Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* is a miracle, a daybreak, a man on the moon. It's so impeccably imagined, so courageously executed, so everlastingly moving and fine." —*Baltimore Sun*

"A funny, wise, deeply compassionate novel that will renew readers' faith that the right book at the right time still has the power to change the world." —*O, The Oprah Magazine*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Include bulleted list of award nominations and wins, state award lists, best-of lists, and any other notable accolades.

- Finalist, 2006 Audie Award, Multi-Voiced Performance
- 1st Prize, Book Illustration, 2005 Victoria & Albert Illustration Award
- Nominee, 2008 Green Mountain Book Award
- 2006 ALA Notable Books for Adults
- New York Public Library, "Books to Remember" list
- Shortlist, 2007 International Dublin Literary Award

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MEDIA AND RESOURCES

Add link to discussion guide, author interviews, blog posts, or any additional resources that provide useful context about the book.

- ["Jonathan Safran Foer on Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close" | MSU](#)

***A NOTE ON AGE RANGES**

A publisher-suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book's intended use.

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