



***Fable* by Adrienne Young**

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*Age Range: 12-18 (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: Gr 7 UP (Recommended by *School Library Journal*)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

Welcome to a world made dangerous by the sea and by those who wish to profit from it. Where a young girl must find her place and her family while trying to survive in a world built for men.

As the daughter of the most powerful trader in the Narrows, the sea is the only home seventeen-year-old Fable has ever known. It's been four years since the night she watched her mother drown during an unforgiving storm. The next day her father abandoned her on a legendary island filled with thieves and little food. To survive she must keep to herself, learn to trust no one and rely on the unique skills her mother taught her. The only thing that keeps her going is the goal of getting off the island, finding her father and demanding her rightful place beside him and his crew. To do so Fable enlists the help of a young trader named West to get her off the island and across the Narrows to her father.

But her father's rivalries and the dangers of his trading enterprise have only multiplied since she last saw him and Fable soon finds that West isn't who he seems. Together, they will have to survive more than the treacherous storms that haunt the Narrows if they're going to stay alive.

Fable takes you on a spectacular journey filled with romance, intrigue and adventure.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"Young (*The Girl the Sea Gave Back*) blends adventure and intrigue in this lush nautical duology opener, crafting a flinty world in which danger lurks at every turn." - [Publishers Weekly](#)

"An exciting tale of lost treasure, love, and survival." - [School Library Journal](#)

"A vividly drawn maritime setting, dramatic sea dives and daring rescues, not one but two formidable villains, and a swoony romance make this a treat for seafarers and landlubbers alike." - *The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*

"A dark maritime fantasy...immersive...and rich in sensory details. For readers who can't get enough of strong female protagonists..." - [Kirkus](#)

"As an author, Young's strength is in her ability to craft both strong female protagonists and worlds that are filled with realistic details." - [Culturess](#)

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"The salty sea and the promise of something hidden in its depths, had me reading this book at a furious pace. You don't simply read *Fable*, you are ensnared by it. This is Adrienne Young's best work of storytelling yet!" - **Shea Ernshaw, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wicked Deep***

"Gripping, immersive, and absolutely masterful, *Fable* reels you in with the promise of beauty, and holds you tight with Young's signature grit. I couldn't turn the pages quickly enough." - **Adalyn Grace, *New York Times* bestselling author of *All The Stars and Teeth***

"I could taste the salt in the air and feel the waves beneath the Marigold. In a brutal world *Fable* shines as tenacious yet vulnerable, unafraid to do what she must to survive. This story caught me by the throat and refused to let go!" - **Shelby Mahurin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Serpent & Dove***

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

NYPL Best Books of the Year

Reese's Book Club x Hello Sunshine

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [The Nerd Daily Author Q&A](#)
- [The Young Folks Review: "Adrienne Young's new YA fantasy is a perfect whirlpool of swashbuckling action and romance"](#)
- [Grim Dark Magazine Review](#)
- [The Geekiary Review: "A Slow Burn on the High Seas"](#)

*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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