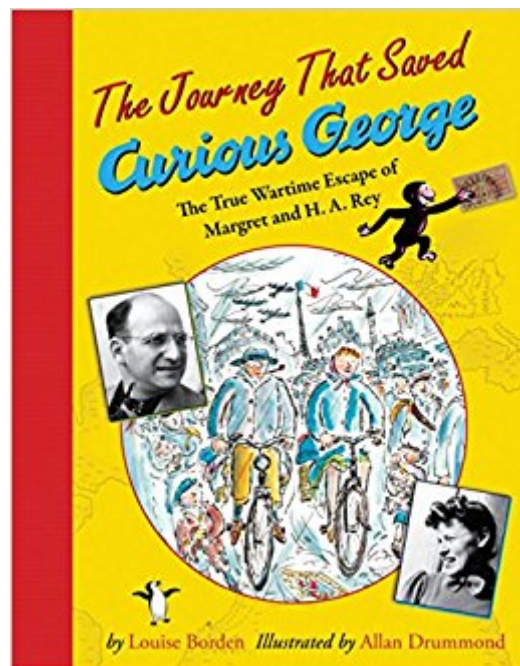




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The Journey That Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape Of Margret And H.A. Rey



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illustrations, original photos, actual ticket stubs and more. A perfect book for Curious George fans of all ages. Exclusive: An Introduction and Photos from Louise Borden, Author of *The Journey of Curious George* (Click to Enlarge) Imagine our world without the famous little monkey Curious George! He's a character that so many of us have grown up with, and like George, all of us are curious about the world in varying ways. Sometimes our explorations as kids and adults lead to hilarious mishaps or inspiring adventures. Sometimes our curiosity can change the world in amazing ways. As a writer of children's books, I went on my own journey of antics and adventures in piecing together the long ago and unknown story of Margret and H. A. Rey's wartime escape from Paris in June of 1940. Like George, I turned new corners and met new people who helped me. I traveled to exciting new places and learned new skills. In the end, everything seemed to turn out well...just as it does for George. Now, because of my curiosity, you, too, and everyone else, can know about the Reys' life story before they became famous and successful children's book creators. You can learn about George's first early escapes in *The Journey That Saved Curious George*. The Reys honeymooned at the Terrass Hotel in Paris At the very beginning of World War II, the Reys spent several months at a chateau in the south of France The Reys passed through Acquebouille as they fled from the German army A map of the route that the Reys followed

Grade 4-8 This beautifully designed volume is a must-have for children's literature buffs. The book is divided into two parts: the first gives background on the couple's childhoods and early life together; the second half is devoted to their dramatic escape from World War II-torn Europe. Husband and wife were both Jewish, born in Hamburg. After serving in the German army during World War I, Hans sailed to Brazil, where he wore a big hat and sailed down the . Margaret, an old family friend, joined him in 1935, and they soon married. Their honeymoon in Paris lasted four years. It was here that they began writing children's books about a curious little monkey named Fifi. By May of 1940 it was clear they must flee. So begins the second part. Tirelessly cycling by day, they boarded train after train as the Nazis occupied Paris, finally sailing to Rio. From there, it was on to New York, and within a year, *Curious George* was published. An afterword describes the balance of their lives. Borden spent years going through personal papers, notebooks, and photographs, and contacted people who knew the Reys. As a result, the book is richly detailed. Drummond's charming watercolors appear throughout, some full page, and many sharing or framing a page of text. In addition, abundant primary-source documents and photos along with original art combine to complete this attractive package. An appealing choice for biography assignments and units on World War II or refugees. Barbara Auerbach, New York City Public Schools Copyright

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