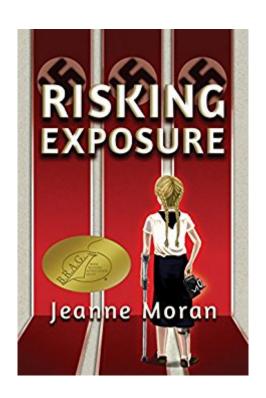
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Synopsis

A timid Hitler Youth member contracts polio. Photographs she takes of fellow polio patients are turned into propaganda, mocking people with disabilities. Polio has made her an outsider in her own country, a target of Nazi scorn and possible persecution. Her only weapon is her camera. This book is a B.R.A.G. Medallion Honoree for Historical Fiction. If you enjoyed The Book Thief and Number the Stars, you will like this book too.

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Customer Reviews

I've always had an innate fascination and interest with Holocaust novels, and movies. It started in Middle School with things like history class, a visit to the Holocaust exhibit at the museum, and Number the Stars by Lois Lowry. And it didn't stop there -it followed me into High School once again with World History, Summer of My German Soldier by Bette Green, and movies like Schindler's List. So when I find a novel based on that time period I don't hesitate to pick it up. When I read the blurb for 'Risking Exposure' it instantly piqued my interest, I had never read anything set from the German perspective and reading through the eyes of a young girl in the Hitler Youth truly sold me on this book. I don't believe many people think about how WWII affected the German people, a few years

ago I spent quite some time with a patient of mine who was from Germany. She told me a lot about her life and the struggles of her family during the Holocaust. So, to say the least this book really pulled on my heart strings to imagine a child on either side of this war battling things like this while not being able to feel like they can actually 'do' something about it. In 'Risking Exposure' we meet Sophie Adler while she's attending a Hitlerjugend meeting with her Jungmädel troop in Munich, Germany. The Hitlerjugend also known as the HJ, were the Hitler Youth. You can tell from the very beginning that Sophie questions what is going on around her and doesn't accept the Nazi teachings because her troop leaders say so, while her older brother Klaus couldn't be any more gung-ho about it all. Sophie is always armed with her trusty camera preparing to be the official Youth photographer for their region.

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