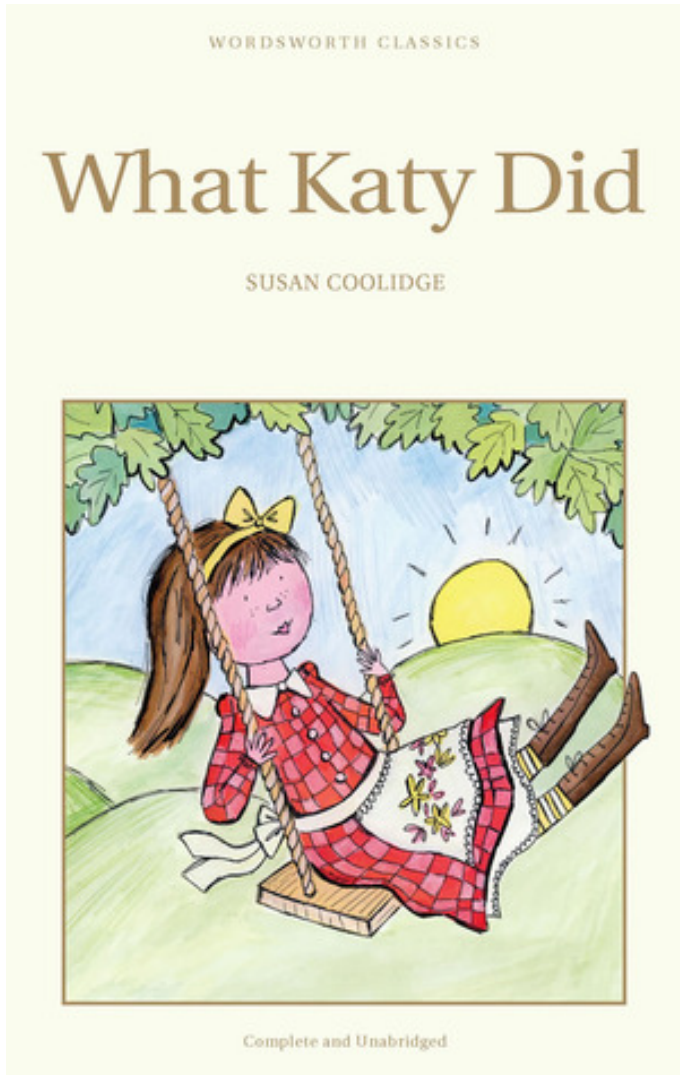

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Description

Katy Carr is untidy, tall and gangling, planning for the day when she will be beautiful and beloved, and amiable as an angel. An accidental fall from a swing seems to threaten her hopes for the future, but Katy struggles to overcome her difficulties with pluck, vitality and good humour.

Insightful reviews

Naomi Bennet: Ahhh! This book has it's faults, but it's so cute and re-reading it made me be a little girl again. (Seriously, I'd forgotten how much I used to love this book. I knew some bits by heart. :-D)

What I liked:

1. The characters are all jolly nice. Katy sometimes gets on my nerves, because she REALLY is impossible, and Aunt Helen is too perfect (heh), but they're all nice, in the end. I love Aunt Izzy, don't kill me. She was just hilarious, and her dry remarks about Katy made me giggle. "If you do, it will be the first time you haven't broken something in one week." :-D I also love Clover and Elsie. Elsie used to be my favourite - I wanted to be her. And get a desk for Christmas. :-D
2. When I was little, my favourite bit was the bit where the children wrote down their Christmas wishlists. Although I always thought it was terribly unfair that Elsie got really cool desk, while the other children got 'ordinary gifts' like books and so on. Anyways. Also, the green sled is cool. :-D
3. Oh, Dorry's diary. HILARIOUS. "Forgit what I did. Nothing perticuler for tea."
4. I love Cecy's relationship with the family. They share uncles and aunts even though they aren't related. That's purty cool. :-D
5. And we ALLL rejoice when Katy stands up after two years. It's remains always exciting to read.
6. I still ship Cousin Helen and Dr Carr. I used to think they were a couple. :-D
7. Oh, and the bit where Cousin Helen gives everyone a goodbye present. I ALWAYS loved that bit. And then her and Elsie's little secret. I secretly rather love it when Katy gets jealous. :-P Haha, the way everyone wants Helen for themselves. :-P

What I didn't like:

1. As I said, Katy sometimes made me a bit impatient. Her recklessness IS a bit... over the top. :-P
2. The book has a bit of an Elsie-Dinsmore-vibe, as many old children's books do. You know, stuff like, "Oh! Papa! I promise never ever to be wicked and selfish again!" etc. It can make you squirm a bit.
3. Some bits are slightly boring - like all the poems. I skimmed those. I don't like poems, I don't.

It's a dear book, though. :-)

Christopher: Perhaps a bit saccharine and overtly moralistic for the modern reader but still, a good and nice story about a girl who learns the meaning of 'selflessness.' Read as part of the LOST book club for insight into 'Kate.'

CLM: This series is much more popular in England than in the US, despite being set in what seems to be a small New England town. Perhaps because reading about a girl who is bedridden is not the most exciting thing; however, I always enjoyed it.

Stacey (prettybooks): I came upon *What Katy Did* whereas shopping bookshelves on the Works (and I additionally acquired *What Katy Did* subsequent & *What Katy Did* in school and *Little girls & solid Wives*, all Wordsworth Classics editions). I knew not anything approximately *What Katy Did*, which appears to be like a comparatively unknown kid's classic. I presumed it might be just like books reminiscent of *Betsy-Tacy* and *Milly-Molly-Mandy* yet for a touch older age group, which it is. At first, Katy Carr is a spontaneous and playful 12-year-old who's the storytelling queen to her little brothers and sisters – Clover, Dorry, Joanna (also often called John or Johnnie), younger Elsie, and child Phil – simply because she is the oldest of the six. Mom Carr died whilst Katy was once eight, leaving her in command of her younger siblings. Yet Katy is often stepping into a few kind of trouble, no matter if this is because she has been conversing at school or simply because she has damaged a brand new vase given to her as a gift. She tears her outfits simply because she's consistently dashing to be someplace else, someplace extra fun. Katy isn't really thoughtless or malicious, a little bit careless! She's a tender woman who's filled with ambition but frequently makes blunders – even though is often a bit cheeky approximately it. I assumed Katy used to be a feisty, stand-out personality whose character quite shone through, and that I suggestion the joys infantile antics may proceed through the story, equivalent to enjoying *Kikeri* – a video game just like *disguise and search* – at midnight although her kinfolk has banned the game. When Katy is occupied with an accident, the radical (unexpectedly!) will get a bit darker. Katy is left dejected and feeling helpless till cousin Helen, who's not able to walk, can pay a trip and gives Katy wish and a few a lot wanted advice. And yes, it can be out of date and out-dated advice, yet in spite of this the radical is 141 years old! I famous the optimistic outlook of this unforeseen (because I did not learn the synopsis first!) twist. And even supposing I don't think the twist of fate could have a similar impression today, which means that it truly is truly even sadder in hindsight, its upbeat angle intended that I nonetheless turned wrapped up in Katy's world. *What Katy Did* is a pleasant kid's vintage that manages to be captivating but poignant in an unforeseen way. I didn't count on it to be so relocating and the finishing wraps up nicely, leading, I imagine, immediately onto the following book: *What Katy Did Next*. In case you are trying to department out into kid's fiction and for whatever a bit extra unknown, yet nonetheless definitely worth the read, it is the ideal book. It really is filled with every little thing I get pleasure from approximately outdated kid's books with yet a major facet too. I additionally reviewed this publication over on [lovely Books](#).

Melanie Goetz: This begins out very pleasantly, with the tale of Katy, a tomboy who's creative, feisty and extremely clumsy at times, and her family, which includes five brothers and sisters, a frequently absent father (due to his activity as a doctor) and his sister who looks after the children. The plot, however, develops in a really troubling demeanour since it takes a serious coincidence for Katy to gain who she "really desires to be". The best way her restoration and her transformation right into a right housewife and version for nineteenth century purity is dealt with is especially problematic, to claim the least. The adaptation among *What Katy did* and one other kid's vintage I have simply read, *Little girls*, is that the latter one develops its ethical via interactions among both incorrect characters (*What Katy did* calls for a saint-like cousin to accomplish this) and whereas unladylike habit is frowned upon in either novels, Katy turns out to

get unduly punished for her recklessness. This lessens her achievements in a fashion and whereas the finishing did placed a bit smile on my face, it additionally appeared rushed and unearned on reflection.

Jessica: i found this e-book at a type of cut price publication outlet dealies while i used to be and simply ate it up. As a person who learn Little ladies and Anne of eco-friendly Gables repeatedly again, the truth that nobody advised me approximately Katy until eventually i used to be in highschool (and had already received this book) was, well, negligent at the a part of somebody who knew me. this can be a great booklet within the vein of these other, extra famous classics, a few loving, rough-and-tumble family members lead by way of the headstrong Katy. within the wake in their mother's death, a spinster aunt involves dwell with them, and Katy butts heads together with her continually regardless of her longing to be attractive and good. A near-fatal coincidence alterations Katy and the remainder of the family, and seeing how all of them cope was once my favourite part.

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