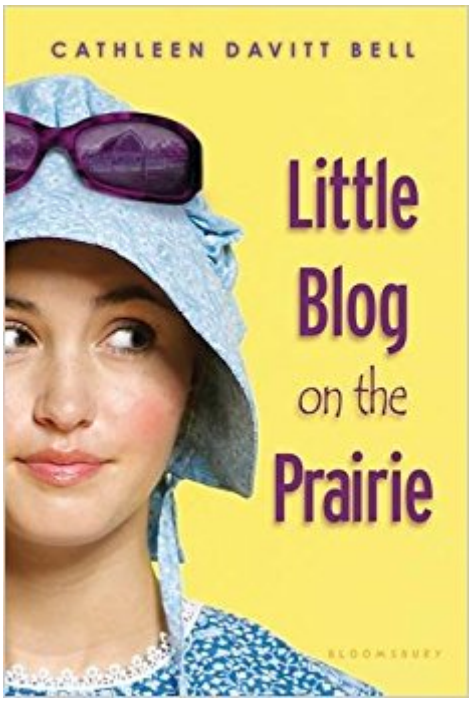
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Synopsis

Camp Frontier promises families the "thrill" of living like 1890s pioneers. Gen will be thrilled if she survives the summer stuck in a cabin with her family and no modern amenities. But ever the savvy teen, Gen sneaks in a phone and starts texting about camp life. Turns out, there are some good points-like the cute boy who lives in the next clearing. But when her texts go viral as a blog and a TV crew arrives, Gen realizes she may have just ruined the best vacation she’s ever had.

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Grade 5Ã¢â ¬â œ8Ã¢â ¬â •Imagine it is 1890. No iPods, no cell phones, no jeans or tank tops, no electricity, and no indoor plumbing. This is the life that Gen Welsh has to endure for the whole summer, since her mother has decided that the family’s vacation will be at a frontier-living fantasy camp near Laramie, WY. When they arrive, all modern conveniences are taken away, but Gen is granted her one wish: Clearasil. Secretly she has hidden her new cell phone in the product’s box, and uses it to text her friends back home. They use her messages to start a blog, which takes off and gets media attention. Meanwhile, back at camp, a first romance and a good, clean girl rivalry are bubbling among the milking of cows and clearing of forest. As the families make their way through a difficult season, the teens discover their strengths and weaknesses. This fast read is

humorous and insightful, with realistic characters that are refreshingly well rounded. Bell has captured a 13-year-old's voice, making Gen's unlikely situation feel very real. A solid choice for collections serving tweensÃ¢â ¬â •Angela J. Reynolds, Annapolis Valley Regional Library, Bridgetown, NS, Canada (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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When GenÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s mom announces the familyÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s summer vacation will be at Camp Frontier where you get to pretend itÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s 1890 and work on a real farm, Gen is not happy. To sweeten the deal, her mom shows Gen a cell phone that she will get after they get back from their adventure. Of course Gen hates Camp Frontier, but her smuggled in phone, through which she vents to her friends via text message, helps keep her saneÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â| until her modern contraption is discovered, confiscated, and may get her family kicked out of Camp Frontier early. Meanwhile, one of GenÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s friends is putting the texts up on-line as blog posts leading to some unexpected, and some slightly predictable, craziness.Little Blog on the Prairie by Cathleen Davitt Bell is a cute book. The characters of Gen and Nora are real and relatable. GenÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s texts/blog posts are funny and probably exactly what most people (and not just teens!) would write during an experience like that if theyÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢re being honest. I recommend this book to people (particularly girls, but boys would likely enjoy it, too) about 11 or 12 and upÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â| including adults!

I was pleasantly surprised at how well I liked this book. Thinking at first that this was yet another blog turned book, it was a book about an accidental blog of sorts.The characters were well developed and continued to develop as the story grew. There was enough conflict, humor and storyline sprinkled throughout. A tightly written book that packed a lot into 283 pages or in my case, 2023kb. And in the end, though not everyone lives happily ever after, it is an ending that the book has been leading up to though still not entirely predictable.I would love to read a second book in this series based off of the TV show that is launched at the end of the story.This book would be good for anyone who has a love or longing for prairie life, likes a well told story and of course, young adults

looking for a good read. Try this one out, download the sample to your kindle and you'll be hooked.

Gen and her family will be spending the entire summer in a camp for families somewhere in Wyoming where you live like it's 1890. No electricity (so, no ipods, phones, etc.) However, Gen manages to sneak in her cell phone and texts her friends about her experiences. They turn her texts into a blog. Meanwhile at camp Gen develops a crush on a boy who has also caught the attention of the daughter of the owners of the camp. This was a fun book to read crossing historical fiction with humor and romance. Highly recommended for girls 3 or 4th grade and up.

A quick read, but perfect for a day of air travel or a beach day. I bought four books and read only this one. Definitely worth the scant price.If you're a historical buff, you'll love this book. I read this concurrently with "The Children's Blizzard" since I'm quickly becoming a nerd for 1890's historical texts, and this was a great perspective on that.Gen is engaging, her friends are adorable, and this made for a cute, fast read from which I learned a surprising amount.

This book is awesome! I'm already reading it for like the fourth time already. This book is perfect for everyone.I really like this book. It's about a girl that sneaks a phone into a frontier camp that is strickly no technology allowed. It's like a clash of the centuries. Trust me you will love this book so much! You will not want to put this book down!!!!!!

Genevieve's vacation and personality truly reflect a teenager's life and emotions. This an amazing read for young and old. (Though it does use the word S-E-X-Y once or twice):{

Just not a great read! And way too much sex written in - hope to goodness real thirteen year olds aren't all really thinking this wayÃƒÂ Ã Å¸Ã ËœÃ â •

Excellent reading with my son. It bring a whole new perspective in live and a whole new perspecting on planning a future family vacation. The book arrive on time for my son's summer reading and in great conditions.

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