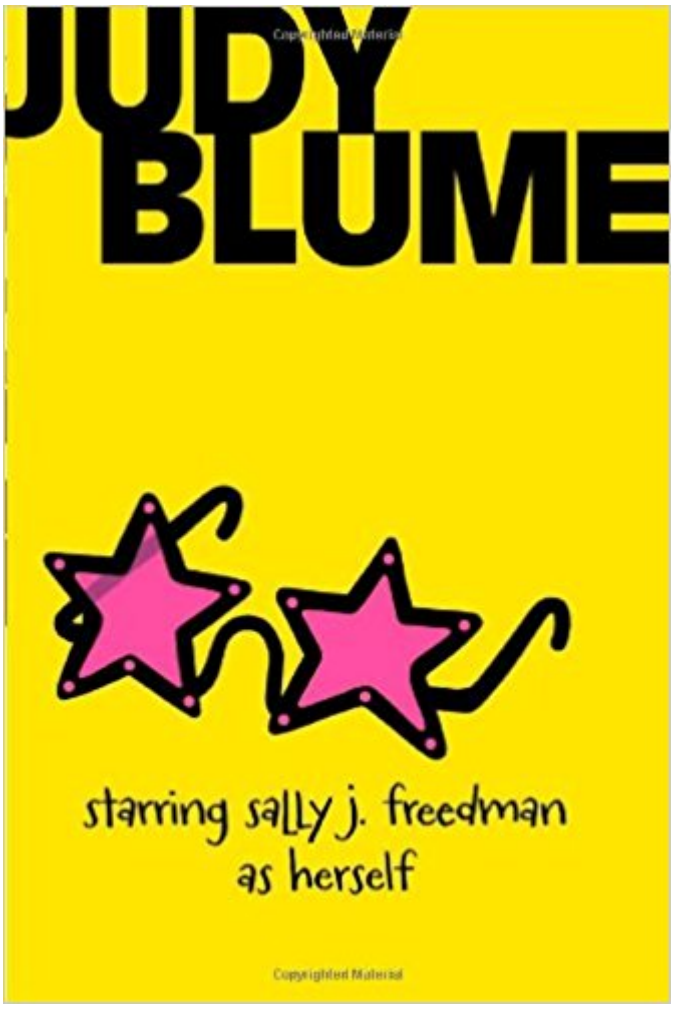
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Synopsis

Sally investigates post-WWII Florida with theatrical flair in this classic middle grade novel from Judy Blume. Now with a fresh new look!Sally J. Freedman was ten when she made herself a movie star. She would have been happy to reach stardom in New Jersey, but in 1947 her older brother Douglas became ill, so the Freedman family traveled south to spend eight months in the sunshine of Florida. ThatÃ¢â ¬â„¢s where Sally met her friends Andrea, Barbara, Shelby, Peter, and Georgia Blue EyesÃ¢â ¬â •and her unsuspecting enemy, Adolf Hitler. Dear Chief of Police:You donÃ¢â ¬â„¢t know me but I am a detective from New Jersey. I have uncovered a very interesting case down here. I have discovered that Adolf Hitler is alive and has come to Miami Beach to retire. He is pretending to be an old Jewish man... While she watches and waits, and keeps a growing file of letters under her bed, SallyÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Hitler will play an importantÃ¢â ¬â •though not quite starringÃ¢â ¬â •role in one of her grandest movie spectaculars.

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Customer Reviews

Who do you tell when you're certain that Hitler is alive, retired, and living in Miami Beach?It's 1947, and Sally J. Freedman full of wild ideas. She's got her eye on handsome Peter Hornstein, the Latin lover of her dreams...on hold Mr. Zavodsky, who looks suspiciously like Hitler in disguise...and on

her father, who Sally misses terribly. There are so many things to worry and wonder about. But whatever happens, Sally's school year in Miami Beach will certainly be exciting--and absolutely unforgetable. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

When Sally's family moves to Miami Beach for the winter of 1947, she is excited and nervous at the same time. What will school be like in Florida? Will she make any friends? Will she fit in so far away from home? Miami Beach has so many things to worry and wonder about, Sally is in for one unforgettable winter! --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grade CAlthough World War II has just ended, ten-year-old Sally is still preoccupied with Hitler. She writes stories about her cousin, who died in his camps, and even thinks her new neighbor just might be Hitler in disguise.I loved bright, inquisitive Sally and all her creativity. I too wrote stories of peril when I was her age. STARRING SALLY J FREEDMAN AS HERSELF is a slice of life, period piece, one of Judy Blume's earliest and most autobiographical novel. As an adult, I enjoyed the story, but I have a hard time seeing most kids enjoying this story, because almost nothing happens. Today's kids seem more interested in books with more tension and action. Even Sally's dynamic personality can't make make up for a nonexistent plot.Sally's age probably means the YA crowd won't be drawn to STARRING SALLY J FREEDMAN AS HERSELF, which is too bad because a discussion of post WWII America for Jewish families would dovetail nicely into history lessons. I wish Blume had delved into some of the antisemitism any Jewish people experienced as well.

I read this book when I was Sally's age, probably ten times. I'm 32 years old now and had an inkling to revisit Sally's curious, poignant, and hilarious lens of the world, inscribed so tightly in her family and friendships, but speaking into a deeper awareness of the unknown, and what children do when confronted with a terror they never really catch a glimpse of. What I've discovered, 22 years after my initial obsession with Sally J. is exactly the same as it was so long ago. This book was and remains a soothing embrace of the fears and triumphs we encounter in life, as children who are never certain they've really reached adulthood.

I got the print version when I was younger and loved the book. It has lots of interesting characters and plots in it. It's one of many books that I love to read over again. A very good book for any age.

This is a children's classic. Sally's reality is outwardly different than that of my 10-year old daughter,

but her internal reality, that includes a bit of blurring between reality and fiction, endless curiosity about the world and lots of humor, is so similar that the book engaged her completely. I loved this book as a girl and it was great to see my daughter enjoying it as much as I did. One of the classics!

I give this book a five star rating becuz it is such a fun and imaginative book about a 10 year old. I think anyone in between the ages 10-14 would enjoy this book. It is a life about a girl named Sally J. Freedman who lives a life full of boys, friends, and a wild imagination in Miami Florida. It is after World War II and has a lot of imagination gone wrong and too wild that makes it absolutely hilarious time after time again.

Read this book probably close to a thousand times as a child so I purchased it as a nostalgic item so I could reread it. I just wish my 4th grader loved to read as much as I did in the late 80s/early 90s. Set in the WW2 era, a Jewish family from New Jersey moves to Florida due to a child's illness. I love Sally's imagination

One of my favorite childhood books. Just as good as I remember it. I've always had a bit of a dark imagination & Sadly does too

I never read the Judy Bloom books. I recently read, "Are you there God? It's me Margaret" and really enjoyed it. So, I bought a whole bunch of them for my Kindle for fast, light, enjoyable reading in between long novels.

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