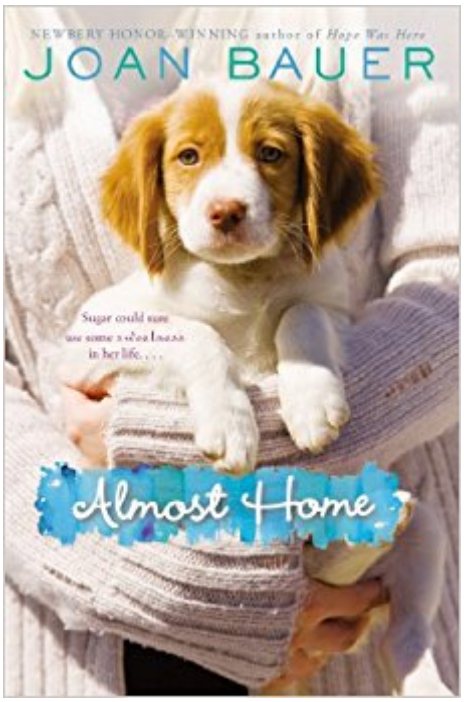
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Synopsis

Newbery Honor winner Joan Bauer's new novel will touch your heart When twelve-year-old Sugar's grandfather dies and her gambling father takes off yet again, Sugar and her mother lose their home in Missouri. They head to Chicago for a fresh start, only to discover that fresh starts aren't so easy to come by for the homeless. Nevertheless, Sugar's mother has taught her to be grateful no matter what, so Sugar does her best. With the help of a rescue dog, Shush; a foster family; a supportive teacher; a love of poetry; and her own grace and good humor, Sugar comes to understand that while she can't control the hand life deals her, she can control how she responds.

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Joan Bauer has won critical acclaim for her many books, which include the Newbery Honor Book

Hope Was Here as well as Rules of the Road, winner of the Los Angeles Times Book Prize and Close to Famous, winner of the Schneider Family Book Award, the Christopher Medal, and the Judy Lopez Memorial Prize. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

My 9 year old granddaughter is reading Almost Home in school and suggested I might like it too. So I started reading it just to please her and to my surprise found it charming, touching and beautifully written.I kept marveling how the author managed to appeal to a fourth grader and her grandmother both. Well done!

Beautifully written novel striking at the heart of the struggle of a teenage girl trying to fit into a foster home. While the subject matter is difficult, it is appropriate for middle school students.

I read this book for a school project on poverty/homelessness and it touched my heart. Shush the dog is literally half human and sounds so adorable. Sugar is a character with character. Reba is very determined to love Mr. Leeland, who gambles for much and has left them many times. Read this book to find out what happens to Sugar, Reba, Lexie, Mac, and so many more characters.

Good book, my only caution is for sensitive kids. It is about a girl who has a rough go for a while and ends up homeless for a good portion of the book. This book addresses some serious issues like depression and alcoholism. A deep but interesting and entertaining story.

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