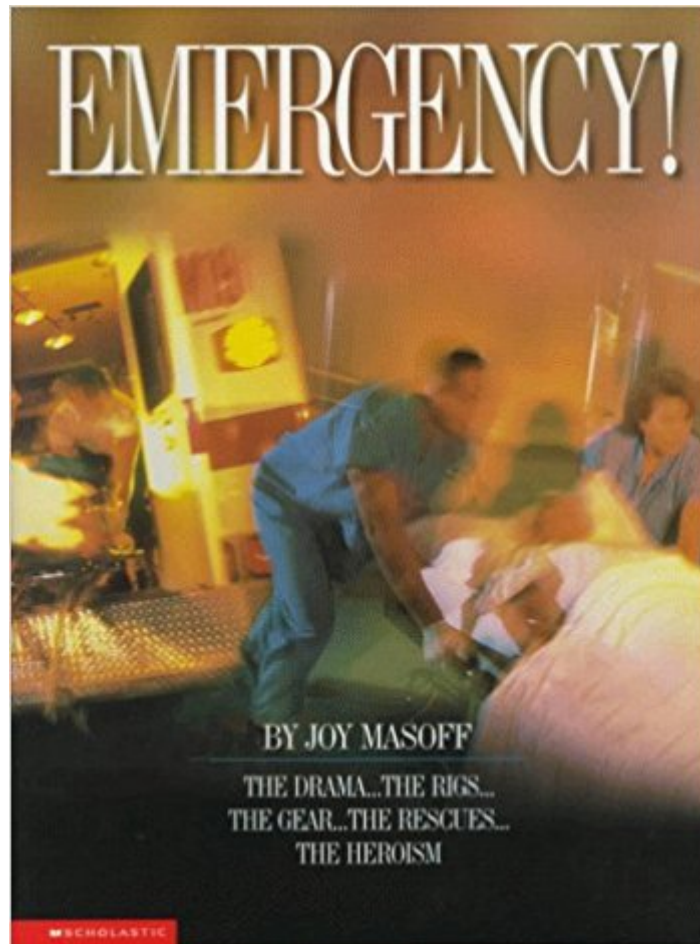




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Emergency!



Synopsis

Discusses all aspects of emergency medicine including the medical personnel and equipment needed to successfully help the patient.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Gr. 4[^]-6. The author of *Fire* uses the drama of a 911 call and lots of action photos to draw readers into this overview of the roles and responsibilities of emergency medical personnel, from the EMTs who provide assistance on-site to the doctors and nurses in the hospital emergency room and operating theater. Like the earlier book, this is crammed with crisp full-color pictures, including shots of equipment used on the job and people at work. Each double-page spread focuses on a different topic--what happens in the lab ("I'll need a chem 7"), what to do if you are faced with an emergency, what goes on in an emergency room, and more--and Masoff has peppered the pages with concise but clear explanations of a wealth of associated terminology. The layout is crowded, almost to the point of sensory overload, but children with plenty of time to browse will come away well pleased.

Stephanie Zvirin

This action-packed companion to *Fire!* (1998) provides an introduction to the personnel, special vehicles, and equipment that are a part of responses to 911 calls for medical emergencies. Each spread includes nearly a dozen full-color close-up photographs with a brief text describing how the tools are used. A spread on "Vital Signs" has a discussion of how emergency medical technicians

(EMTs) or emergency room team members check for pulse, respiration, blood pressure, and temperature, and the equipment they use. Other spreads cover the inside of an ambulance, rescue truck, med-evac helicopter, and an operating room. Masoff offers a brief timeline of milestones in medicine, describes what it feels like to be part of the emergency team, suggests ten things readers can do to be prepared for emergencies, and includes places to write for more information. Packed with facts, this title has broad appeal, capturing the pace of emergency work in a visually appealing package. (bibliography, index) (Nonfiction. 10-14) -- Copyright ©1998, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.

I found this book to be an excellent source for children or even adults who might be interested in the medical field. The author takes a first hand look at every aspect there may be when an emergency happens. She breaks down each piece of the puzzle so that the reader gets a good glimpse of what it takes to help out people when things go wrong. The photos included in the book show real-life emergency workers as they are doing their jobs: 911 dispatchers, EMT, fire personnel, nurses, and lab technicians. They also show machines, medicines, and items needed. There are also historical photos that show people of old who helped doctor others even when there were no modern medicines or equipment to be had. The author includes other ways for people to get help when it is needed: Bicycle Red Cross teams, Doctors Beyond Borders, MASH units, and doctors flying planes is just a few of those mentioned. As I said, a good book of information if anyone wants to know about Emergencies. I give this book 5 stars. Disclosure: I obtained this book from my local library. The views expressed here are 100% my own and may differ from yours. ~Naila Moon

Excellent photography and writing make this book a pleasure to read, and provide a lot of information. A must have for people of all ages.

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