

Chapter 1 : Polly's Really Secret Diary by Frances Thomas

*Polly's Really Secret Diary [Frances Thomas, Sally Gardner] on blog.quintoapp.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers.*

Queen Mary College, London, B. Exhibit consultant to National Portrait Gallery, Zak for young adults , Bodley Head London, England , Cityscape for young adults , Heinemann London, England , Who Stole a Bloater? The Bear and Mr. A Biography, Virago London, England , Adaptations Who Stole a Bloater? Sidelights Welsh author Frances Thomas began her writing career, appropriately enough, with an historical fantasy set in her homeland. Referring to the Celtic epic, The Mabinogion, for inspiration, Thomas decided to write about the legend of Taliesin. Margery Fisher wrote in Growing Point that in this retelling, Thomas depicts a "modern psychological view of a boy growing up" in a time now veiled in legend. In this complex tale, noted Junior Bookshelf contributor D. Young, an "enthusiasm for all things Welsh on the part of a reader" is helpful in maintaining interest in the involved storyline. Thomas, who educates dyslexic children in her home, has also written other books for young readers that feature a present-day setting. Dear Comrade follows the written correspondences between Kate Bannister and Paul Miles as they slowly grow to love each other despite their completely opposing political views he leans to the right, and she to the left. Kate and Paul argue about the law and other political matters, never coming to a consensus though they do change their views a [Not Available Image] little , so that the reader must decide for himself who is in the right. Dennis Hamley, writing in School Librarian, found the two characters "convincing, funny and moving. Mark is bored silly by his life at school and at home, until a new kid named Zak comes to his school. Zak impresses everyone with his stories of living in Los Angeles with his father, whom he insists is a famous rock star. In Cityscape Thomas demonstrates again her ability to write in different genres: Fifteen-year-old Debra Stober discovers on her route to school that an old Jacobean mansion has doors that lead to cities in other worlds. She "travels" to a world in the future ruled by the Guardians, who suppress their people by denying them the right to read books. By teaching these people to read, Debra gains a new sense of purpose and inner pride that inspires her to accept the dangerous mission of going to the Poison Tower where the Guardians have secreted away all the books. The Guardians are overthrown, but Debra is disillusioned when she later returns to the city to discover that Cal is becoming just as corrupt as the Guardians were. Debra rejects the other world in favor of her home, to which she returns to begin a relationship with a new boyfriend. As far as Polly is concerned, running away from home is the only option, as soon as she can add to her net wealth of seventy-six pence and half a bag of yummy snack chips. Moving from young readers to the storyhour set, Thomas has created several picture books, among them Secrets, The Bear and Mr. Secrets is a simple story about "the social need for discretion and self-control," according to Growing Point reviewer Margery Fisher. It tells how two boys devise their own secret when a friend refuses to tell them hers. Bear published in England as Mr Bear and the Bear is a sensitive tale about a man who takes pity on a dancing bear that is abused by its trainer. He buys the bear and sets it loose on the grounds of his home. The man, who is called Mr. School Library Journal contributor Tom S. Hurlburt deemed the book a "heartfelt, uplifting story. Little Monster returns in One Day, Daddy, where a handmade, mocked-up spaceship heads skyward through the imagination of the youngster. Little Monster also appears in a pair of board books teaching basic concepts: Having written historical fantasy, realistic young-adult novels, fantasy for teens, and picture books for small children, Thomas has proven her diversity as a writer. Now living in Wales, she continues to demonstrate her versatility by also writing novels for adults, and, in , publishing her first biography for adults, Christina Rossetti: Books for Keeps, November, Books for Your Children, spring, , p. Junior Bookshelf, August, , R. Baines, review of The Blindfold Track, p. Young, review of A Knot of Spells, p. Hurlburt, review of The Bear and Mr. Times Literary Supplement, November 25,

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