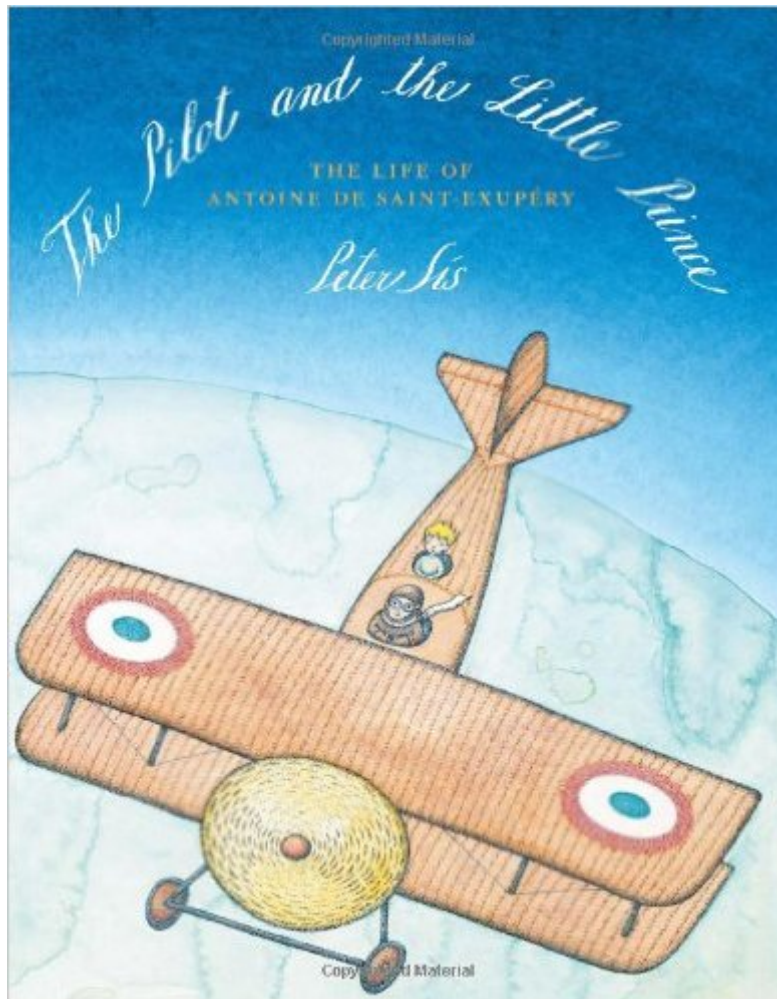


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The Pilot And The Little Prince: The Life Of Antoine De Saint-Exupéry



Synopsis

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry was born in France in 1900, when airplanes were just being invented. Antoine dreamed of flying and grew up to be a pilot—and that was when his adventures began. He found a job delivering mail by plane, which had never been done before. He and his fellow pilots traveled to faraway places and discovered new ways of getting from one place to the next. Antoine flew over mountains and deserts. He battled winds and storms. He tried to break aviation records, and sometimes he even crashed. From his plane, Antoine looked down on the earth and was inspired to write about his life and his pilot-hero friends in memoirs and in fiction. Peter Sís's remarkable biography celebrates the author of *The Little Prince*, one of the most beloved books in the world. This title has Common Core connections. A Frances Foster Book

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Customer Reviews

Only the remarkable Peter Sís could write about Antoine de Saint-Exupéry with the same gentle touch as the pilot himself. The book's beauty is indescribable. Page after page, we accompany Antoine on his life's journey. When the page is turned, the blood of the Germans' assault on France is doused by the blue of the ocean and the glow of the moon. From the whimsy of Manhattan's alligator pose to the glistening rise of an image of *THE LITTLE PRINCE* on the following pages--I catch my breath with its beauty. Beyond that, it's a great true story of a pilot with a dream. Sís has

taken us as close to the "glittering planet next to the stars" as we can go in this life. (Lift the book jacket to discover the embossed airplane. This sort of detail is rarely found in contemporary books.)

As a pilot and one who has read Saint-Exupery's work, I thought it would be great for my 6 year old granddaughter. I was wrong and then noted that the format was perhaps confusing for her. Her older sister of 10, strong reader was not very impressed either. Perhaps I was not able to match the age grouping. At 74, I thought it was OK but then again, as a pilot perhaps I could understand the interesting and intense feelings of the subject. JP

Gorgeous book, and wonderful stories. My 6 year old wants to be a pilot and this book was so much fun for him to read. What an adventurous life Saint-Exupery lived! The illustrations and text are written in fun and beautiful ways. It was like reading a dream. Really beautiful book, would also be a great gift for a child.

This is a biography of St-Exupery told with references to the Little Prince. I loved it because it tells of this author's life and career in a concise and easy-to-understand way. My students enjoyed it immensely as did I.

This is a beautifully illustrated story of a fascinating man--Antoine St. Exupery. For those of us who have loved THE LITTLE PRINCE or his other books, discovered at any age as the wonders they are, this is engrossing as well as attractive reading.

This book with its intricate artwork and historically accurate details will engage adult or advanced readers and fascinate beginning or non-readers.

An intelligent book that arouses curiosity and engages the reader in a bit of geography and history. The book regards France and flying airplanes as they developed.

Gorgeous. Bought with The Little Prince and read back to back. Illustrations are enlightening in themselves, even more than the text. Totally enjoyable and whimsical art.

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