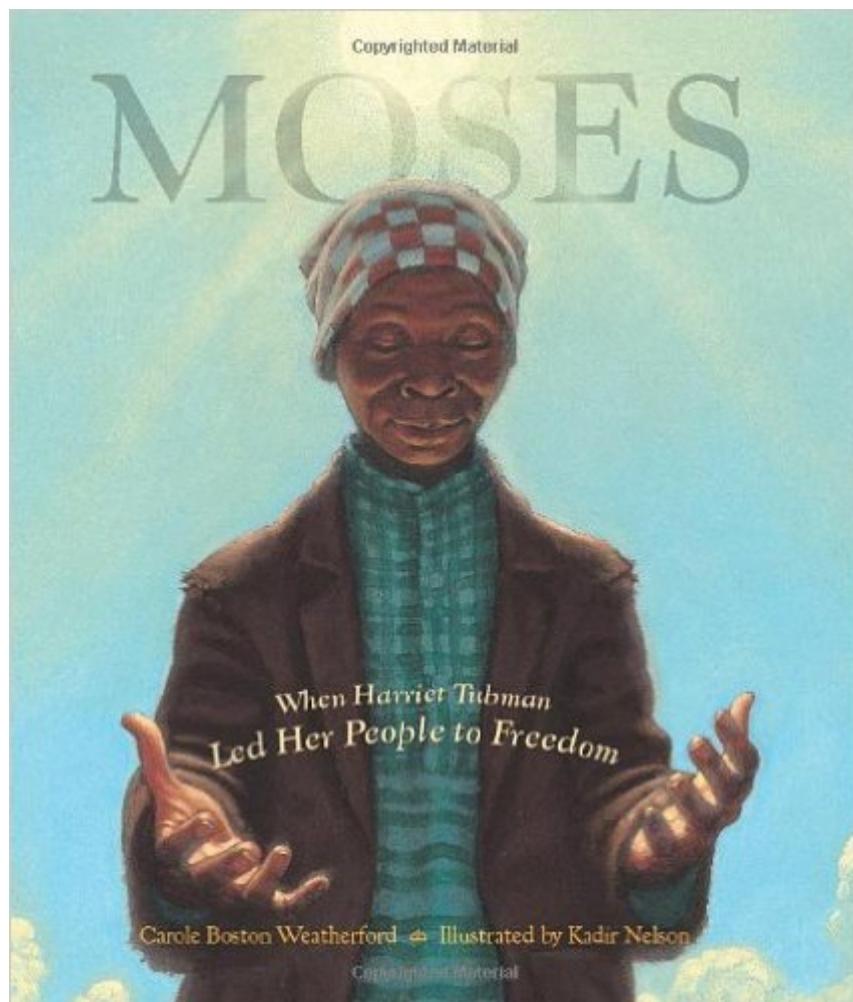


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# Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People To Freedom (Caldecott Honor Book)



## Synopsis

This poetic book is a resounding tribute to Tubman's strength, humility, and devotion. With proper reverence, Weatherford and Nelson do justice to the woman who, long ago, earned over and over the name Moses.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

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## Customer Reviews

There will never be enough books about Harriet Tubman and the journey she took to free slaves from the South. MOSES: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom by Carole Boston Weatherford brings to light Black history we can neither forget nor allow our children to forget. The historical story of Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad is classic. The illustrator, Kadir Nelson, enhanced the words and actions that connect you along with the spiritual inspiration that kept Harriet moving, hiding and finally reaching freedom in Philadelphia. God told Harriet this was just the beginning, she was going to go back and free others, which came to pass with the underground railroad that kept the slaves safe while traveling to freedom. This book is a must for all children to have in their libraries. The book is large in size and bold in color, portraying Harriet as a powerful, yet humble woman doing God's will. MOSES will keep any young child's attention from the

beginning to the very last page. I applaud the author and illustrator for letting the journey continue and keeping the light shining so we will always keep our children in touch with Black history and teach them about the people who were instrumental in getting us to where we are today. Reviewed by Kalaaniof The RAWSISTAZ Reviewers

Beautiful and emotionally engaging, the images truly support and reinforce the concepts in the text. Fear and fatigue are evident when Harriet Tubman "crouches for days in a potato hole [and] dreams she is buried alive" as is her determination to be strong and continue her fight another day. And the relief and release that comes to her when she finally finds herself on "free soil" in Philadelphia. The illustrations are of a real person, not caricature. Beautiful use of typography as well creates almost a call-and-response feel to some of the text. My favorite book of the year.

When Harriet Tubman led her people to freedom. I disagree, she started to lead the **WHOLE WORLD** to freedom. This book is excellent for helping children understand slavery, the underground railroad, and what Harriet Tubman did. I loved this book and thought that it should have won the actual Caldecott award, although I am glad it won the Caldecott honor. This book is about how Harriet Tubman escaped and helped other people escape slavery. It is written beautifully and does not bend the truth. But, the illustrations add to the wonderful story! I highly recommend this book!

What I most appreciate about this book is the way it incorporates the role faith played in Harriet's life into the story of her leading daring escapes from slavery to freedom. Most of the history we learn in school attempts to secularize the truth about the people and events that we hold so dear, but this book does a phenomenal job in telling a more accurate, unbiased story of a remarkable woman. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson (who is **GIFTED!!!!**), this is a welcome addition to any children's (or adult's, for that matter) library. I know am already collecting a slew of books

This book is a wonderful story of the Underground Railroad with so much meaning because it incorporates Harriet's faith with the life that she lived. The illustrations are fantastic and the poetry is beautiful, telling this story with emotion and reality like never before.

If you are looking to add a beautifully illustrated picture book to your collection, put this book at the top of your list. Kadir Nelson's dark and gothic-like illustrations are the perfect complement to Carole Boston Weatherford's poetic narrative. As much as I loved the illustrations, however, the verse kind

of put me off. The story involves a conversation between Harriet Tubman and God as she travels The Underground Railroad. This fictionalized account is a clever take on Harriet's journey; however, if you are not a particularly spiritual person, you might not enjoy the text as much as others may. Given the spiritual overtones, I am curious if this book is chosen to be used in schools. The text is almost like one continuous prayer. I would think churches may be more interested in it. While it is no wonder this title is a Caldecott Honor Book, I was especially interested in illustrations; they are like artwork. The multicultural perspective of this book is obvious. Readers of other cultures can learn about slavery and The Underground Railroad. Especially appealing is that the main character is not only African American, but a woman.

This book introduces Harriet Tubman, but it probably does not have enough information to count for a school report. Check with your child's teacher. Still, the poetic language, the prayerful contact with God, and the lightness/darkness illustrations will cement this book into your child's mind.

By far one of my favorite children's books we own. I read it today for the first time to our children. They did not say a word, listened intently and were mesmerized by every illustration. The words touched their hearts deeply and they were blessed by the greatest lesson one could ever learn, especially at their ages. To trust in God no matter your circumstances - He is faithful and will keep His promise to us! Beautifully done! Great job! Thank you Carole for writing this compelling book about true freedom - letting go and letting GOD!

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