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## Lea Dives In (American Girl Today)



## Synopsis

Lea Clark is ten years old and ready to explore the whole world, just like her grandmother! But first she'll start with a family trip to Brazil, where her big brother, Zac, is studying the rainforest. Lea is really excited to see the ocean and when she does, she realizes she'd rather take picture of it than swim in it. Can she overcome her fear and dive in? Then she meets a fun new friend who inspires her to embrace the thrills and beauty of Brazil. But when the fun turns to danger, Lea must find the courage to face adventure head on! Where will the next adventure take her?

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This book is great for kids who enjoy learning about cultural diversity (specifically Brazil). It is an inspiring story that encourages perseverance and patience with oneself when facing challenges in life. It is a great book for building self esteem in young girls and a feeling of empowerment to try new activities like Lea did in this book. My daughter enjoyed this book so much that she has read it twice in the past three days.

I won't sugarcoat it: this book is really bad.I've been reading this jumble of clichÃ©s tossed together into book form to my seven year old daughter at bedtime for more than a week now, a couple chapters each night, and boy it's been painful. The story hasn't even kept my daughter interested;

on a couple nights she's gone and grabbed something else to read to herself as I've read this book to her. Normally that lack of attention on her part would have earned her a strong reprimand but in this instance, I can't blame her. The only reason we got this book is because it was a deal via Scholastic Books at my daughter's elementary school and she is presently also going through an "American Girl" phase. I think she liked the colorful dress the girl on the book cover is wearing, too. There are many other much better written and more interesting books available. This is the first AG book I've read to my daughter and I hope it will be my last.

I did this with a group of 28 girls for a book club and they all loved it including me. We learned information about Brazil and how to overcome your fears and be courageous. We tied on wish bracelets at the book club and made our own travel journals like the ones Lea gets from her Ama. Great story for young girls to read!

This series is good for our 7 year old girl. Book 2 in the series was more interesting than book 1. We have not started book 3 but look forward to it. Kids can absolutely learn from the book and I really appreciate the strong vocabulary in the book. Lots to look up and learn (even adults reading along with their child).

This book was very good! I loved the storyline and all, and I was also happy American Girl was finally doing something with Brazil (I am Brazilian) I also speak Portuguese so I didn't really use the glossary but overall this book was great!! ^

It is really not like the other AG books and this one has a pinch of adventure. I got my daughter the doll and the book and she had so much fun acting out the scenes with her Lea doll. She also enjoyed reading a chapter per night and was dying to read more after each word. Overall good book!

Got the Lea doll for my daughter. She loves it. My daughter loved this book until the very last chapter. On the last chapter, she offered her beloved compass to a Brazilian god. My daughter was so upset she gave away her compass that she wouldn't even go to bed until I promised her we could make up a new ending for the book in the morning. Then she put the compass on her doll promising her she wouldn't have to give it away.

My daughter is currently in love with the American Girl series of books, in general. She enjoyed this

one just as much as others in the series and learned a little about Brazil while she was at it.

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