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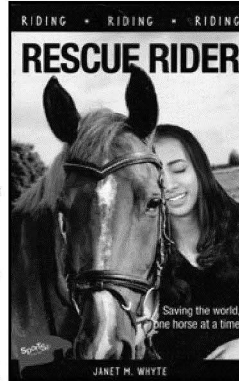
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WHYTE, Janet M.  
*Rescue Rider (Sports Stories)*  
James Lorimer and Co., 2011. 136p.  
Gr. 5-8. 978-1-55277-868-5. Pbk.  
\$9.95



Part of *Lorimer's Sports Series*, designed to attract reluctant readers who are interested in sports, this fast-paced novel follows thirteen-year-old Dev Rani as she struggles to manage her commitments to her studies, her father's South Asian restaurant, and her passion for competitive show



jumping. Author Janet M. Whyte, a former horseback rider, vividly portrays the details of horses and show jumping.

When her prize-winning horse, Mirror Glider, is retired, Dev has to decide whether she can train a mysteriously skittish new arrival, Zim, or give up her dreams of a career with horses. Dev's life is a busy one, as she rushes from her work as a stable hand at South Hills Stables to school and the restaurant. Dev's father expects her to eventually take over at the restaurant, but Dev has other aspirations of jumping for the national team and becoming a coach. As Dev uncovers the mystery of Zim's background, she also learns how to stand up to her father and tell him what she wants.

The book includes a glossary of horse-riding terms to help readers unfamiliar with the sport.

**Thematic Links:** Horses; Riding

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