

Zomer 2010 verschenen: *Camp Stories*

Indische kampverhalen nu in het Engels door Marianne Bruinvels

Camp Stories is bestemd voor de kinderen van de tweede generatie, die in Engels sprekende landen zijn opgegroeid. Het boekje is geschikt voor tweetalig onderwijs in Nederland. Marianne Bruinvels vertelde als gastdocent haar verhaal honderden malen aan kinderen en volwassenen.



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Van de cover: “The happy childhood of Marianne Bruinvels-Bakker ends in 1942, when the Japanese invade Java. In simple words Marianne tells about fear, imprisonment and starvation. This is a true story of a young Jewish girl trying to survive the Japanese occupation under the tropical sun. These touching stories can be read separately or as a complete book. They are suitable for children over the age of ten and their parents.

65 Years later, Marianne dedicates these stories to English speaking children and grandchildren of WW II survivors.”

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Fragment uit *Camp Stories*: “...In the corner, almost opposite Marianne’s bunk, a large, Caribbean woman spread her mattress. She was called Nurse Astrid and immediately after she had seen Marianne and her festering sores she went over to speak to Marianne’s mother. She whispered something into her ear. The next morning, Marianne’s mother told her to visit Nurse Astrid very quietly. “Do not tell the others!” she hissed urgently. As it turned out, Nurse Astrid was still in the possession of some medicines. Very quietly, she put a small pill into Marianne’s palm and shoved her off. Marianne’s mother had some water ready for her to swallow the pill with. After a week of this hush-hush procedure, Marianne’s sores started to heal...”