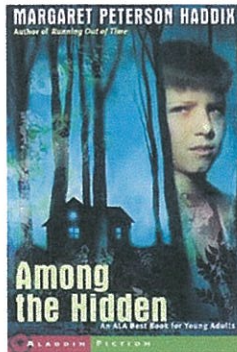


Among the Hidden

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Among the Hidden is an entrancing adventure of a third child, Luke Garner. For his whole life, Luke Garner has been in hiding because of the population law, which restricts families to having only two children. One day Luke sees a face in an upstairs window of a house across the road and discovers the existence of another third child. He sneaks into the house and encounters the third child, whose name is Jen. They quickly become good friends. Jen is determined to change the population law through a third child rally. She invites Luke to join her, but he refuses. This turned out to be a wise choice, because the rally goes horribly wrong. Realizing that third children alone cannot change the government's mind but still wanting freedom, Luke gets a fake identity. His new name is Lee Grant. Now Luke faces going to boarding school in his place and is as terrified as ever.

My favourite character is Luke, because he didn't let himself get pressured by Jen to participate in the rally and did what was best for him and his family. I thought that the government was exaggerating the food shortages problem. There actually was enough food. The barons had lots, but others only had enough to survive on. I felt the government was cheating people to make them work harder. I thought Jen underestimated the government and what they would do. I felt the ending was a little sad but very intriguing and it made me want to read the rest of the sequence. I would give this book a 10/10. I thought the idea of the population law and food shortages was interesting because that could actually happen in the future. I liked that Luke's visits to Jen's house started to make him feel less like a nobody. I would definitely recommend **Among the Hidden** to all my friends. It is truly a great book.