

Fiction  
Age 10+

# MY YEAR IN A TENT

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*“Ah well, it’s only one week,” my mother said.  
“A year,” I muttered.  
“Hm?” My father responded absently, scrolling  
through pictures of tents.  
“Not a week,” I said, “a year.”  
There was a moment of silence. “A year?” They  
yelled at the same time. They looked at me as if I  
had said I wanted to jump out of a plane without  
a parachute.  
In short, I had something to explain.*

For a Challenge Week that teacher Sinan organizes at school, the eleven-year-old Swan decides to raise money for children in refugee camps. As a challenge, she chooses to sleep in a tent in her backyard. But that is not the least of a challenge, because they live very remote, and Swan struggles with fears - fears that she would like to overcome. Even before she starts her challenge, she decides to make it last longer than a week: a year, even. It will be a scary, difficult, exciting, bizarre, but also a beautiful and educational year. All of that in a special tent, which has everything to do with a traumatic event that occurred two years earlier...

A heart-warming story **about resilience, friendship and grief**

Wonderful reading book for 10-13-year-olds

**Responding to current themes such as refugee camps and overcoming fears**



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