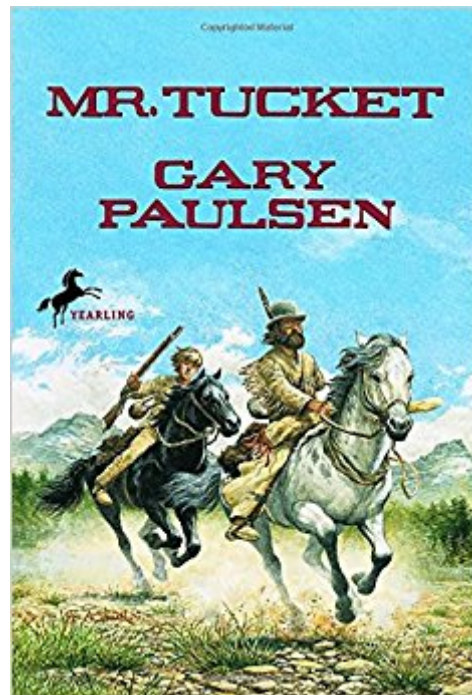




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Synopsis

Fourteen-year-old Francis Tucket is heading west on the Oregon Trail with his family by wagon train. When he receives a rifle for his birthday, he is thrilled that he is being treated like an adult. But Francis lags behind to practice shooting and is captured by Pawnees. It will take wild horses, hostile tribes, and a mysterious one-armed mountain man named Mr. Grimes to help Francis become the man who will be called Mr. Tucket.

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Customer Reviews

In a starred review, PW called this western adventure "a real knock 'em, sock 'em ripsnorter" with a "thrill-a-minute plot." Ages 10-up. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Gr. 6-9. Francis Tucket is 14 years old when he strays from his family's wagon on the Oregon Trail and is captured by the Pawnee. With the help of Mr. Grimes, a one-armed trapper who maintains an uneasy truce with the Pawnee by trading them guns and ammunition, Francis escapes and spends a winter learning to survive by living off the land. The boy's admiration and respect for Mr. Grimes causes him to question his role in "civilized" society and delays his return to his family. Francis'

image of Mr. Grimes is altered forever, however, when Grimes takes revenge on an old enemy with what Francis sees as unnecessary savagery. Paulsen nods in the direction of responsibility in his depiction of Native American peoples, and he gives us a fast plot and sufficient character development. Unfortunately, he wraps everything up in the final two and one-half pages, resulting in an abrupt "surprise" ending that is ultimately unsatisfying. Janice Del Negro --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grand Son read as a Class requirement. He now wants me to order the next book. I say that's a pretty good review from a 10 year old.

My favorite book series from childhood. I only hate the new book cover art . Besides the cover; the story is just as I remember it.

Great

Gary Paulsen is a super author especially for boys. He has a way of making words come to life. Mr. Tucket is a high-adventure book about a wagon train going out west along the Oregon Trail. Francis, a 14-year-old boy, is taken prisoner by indians. He is rescued by a one-armed mountain man named Mr. Grimes. They have quite the adventures as they become friends. I am currently reading the book to my 4th grade class. You know you have a winner when the whole class (boys and girls) groan when I stop reading it each day!

THIS SERIES OF BOOKS BY PAULSEN IS FULL OF ACTION ADVENTURE. I USED THIS SERIES WITH A RELUCTANT READING, DYSLEXIC SECOND GRADER WITH A VERY HIGH IQ. HE COULDN'T WAIT TO READ THE NEXT BOOK. BY THE TIME HE FINISHED THE SERIES, HE WAS HOOKED ON READING.PAULSEN'S BOOKS ARE GREAT RUGGED STORIES FULL OF LIFE LESSONS. HE DOES A SUPER JOB WITH GOOD, BAD AND UNUSUAL CHARACTERS. I'VE RECOMMENDED HIS BOOKS TO READERS OF ALL AGES INCLUDING ADULTS. (I WORK WITH STUDENTS FROM SECOND GRADE THRU HIGH SCHOOL)I'M A GREAT FAN OF PAULSEN'S.

This is such a wonderful book to enliven the adventurous spirit in any young person! And if the reader enjoys it as much as my children did, you'll be delighted to know there are many more in this

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WORTH IT!!! We could barely contain ourselves while reading book 3 in the series! We were hooting and crying. This is seriously worth your time for an emergent reader. It fits perfectly in with any history unit on the expansion of America.

I read this book as a kid and purchased it for a friend of mine's child. I ended up reading it again before giving it to him. A great tale of adventure.

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