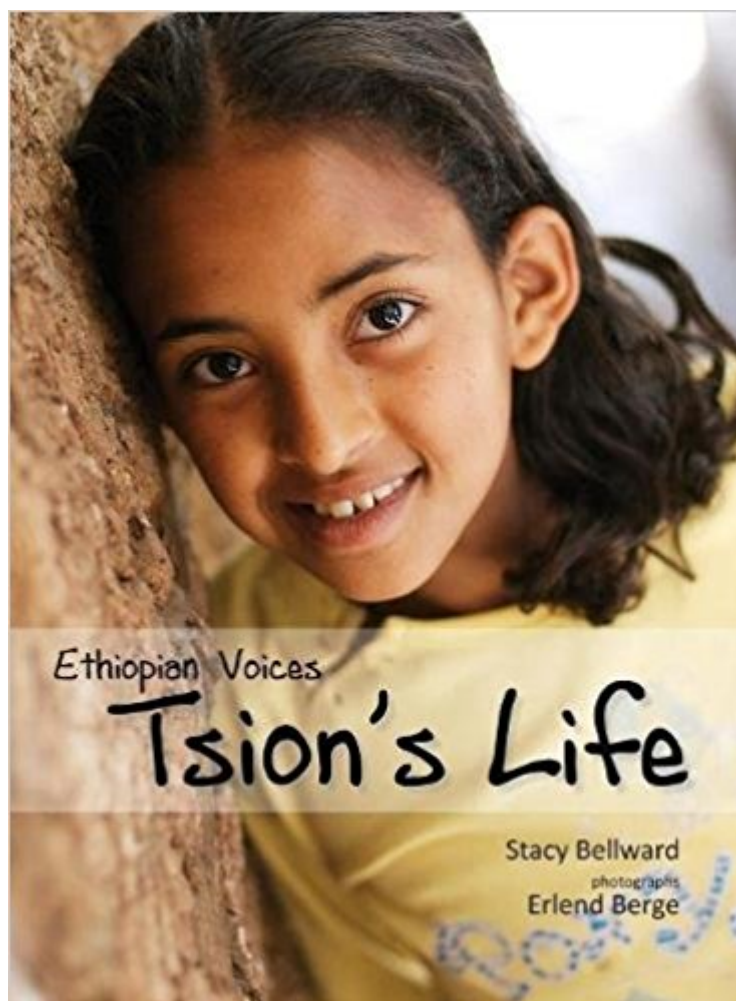


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# Ethiopian Voices: Tsion's Life



## Synopsis

Ethiopian Voices: Tsion's Life Meet Tsion, an eleven year old Ethiopian girl as she talks about her life and her country. Stunning photographs bring the reader to Tsion's house, school, church, dinner table and more. Informative cultural facts are included. Advance Praise: The striking photographs and carefully selected domestic scenes in Tsion's Life beautifully capture the day-to-day of one Addis Ababa family. This charming book is perfect for parents and educators seeking to give children an engaging and accurate glimpse into life in Ethiopia. Rebecca Haile, *Held At a Distance: My Rediscovery of Ethiopia*

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 12 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 6

## Customer Reviews

Stacy spent her teenage years in Tanzania, and although she has lived and worked on four continents, she holds Ethiopia especially close since adopting their Ethiopian-born daughter. In response to the lack of Ethiopian resources for adoptive families, she wrote, "Our First Amharic Words". Together with her husband, Paul, she launched Amharic Kids. Stacy and Paul live with their two daughters in Minnesota but look forward to the day when they spend extended time giving back in Ethiopia.

My daughter loved this book. She was very interested in all the details of daily life in Ethiopia, and enjoyed trying to say the Amharic words on each page. It brought up some topics for discussion, especially about cultural differences and what her life might be like if she was still living in Addis. Might not be captivating enough to hold the interest of an older child, but for my 6 year old this was perfect.

Wonderful adult/children's picture book on a day in the life of a real-life Ethiopian girl. Everything about this book is valuable in teaching ourselves about an unfamiliar culture. For those adopting, what a great resource for the other children in the family to read beforehand to get ready for a new sibling. I especially think that if you are adopting an older child, they will appreciate having this depiction of their home and background as a keepsake, and it inspires great dialogue! Beautifully done!

We've had this book for about a year and a half now and still really enjoy reading it and looking at the big, bold, beautiful pictures of Tsion, her family and things in her daily life. I have also used this book in the classroom during our international days to show how alike and different we are from kids around the world. I hope that the authors and photographer will make this the first in a series and document other areas of Ethiopia beside Addis. I would love to see a similar book about a child in Sidama, where two of my children are from.

A look at life in Ethiopia from a girl's perspective. Perfect for my granddaughter.

Excellent introductory book for children to Ethiopian culture, language, and family life.

Tsion's Life is a beautiful book that accurately portrays an eleven-year-old girl's daily life in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The wonderful pictures add a lot to the story as well. Seeing life through the eyes of a child like Tsion gives such a rich experience to the reader, far more than just a normal non-fiction book about a country. I highly recommend it!

Not what I expected. Book arrived LONG after Christmas (was intended to be a gift), yet payment was accepted in plenty of time to ship BEFORE the Holiday. My daughter (she was born in Ethiopia) and I were disappointed in the book - the content and the writing style.

My husband immigrated to the United States from Ethiopia 14 years ago. I purchased this book last year to help our 5-year old son understand what life is like where Daddy comes from. My husband pointed out a few discrepancies between his experiences and the facts in the book, but over all, he says this book is 98% accurate in its depiction of life in Ethiopia. In fact, it made him homesick. I can't think of a better compliment for the author. In case you are wondering, he felt the statistics on religion were misleading. The images, and simplistic text brought our son a glimpse into Daddy's other life and brought our family closer together as a result. As a former teacher I can say this book would be a wonderful addition to a school or classroom library.

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