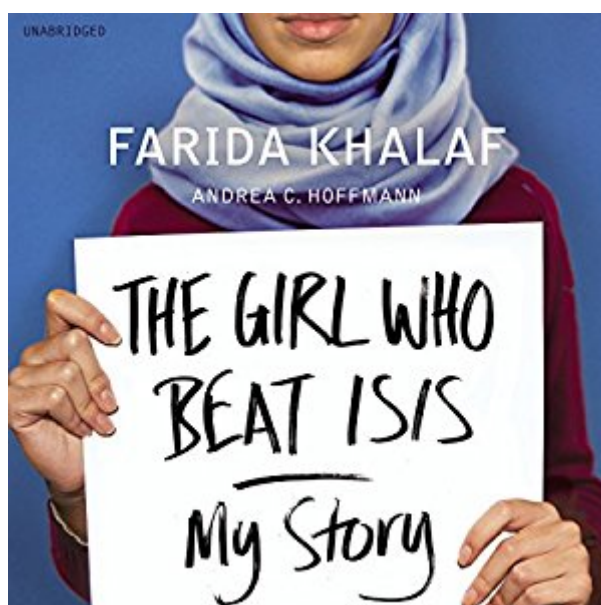


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# The Girl Who Beat Isis: Farida's Story



## Synopsis

In August 2014, Farida Abbas was just a normal Yazidi girl living in a village high in the mountains of Northern Iraq. Then her village was attacked and swiftly taken by ISIS fighters, and her whole world changed. The jihadists murdered the men and the boys of her village, including her father and brothers, before taking Farida prisoner along with the rest of the women. This is the story of what happened to Farida after she was captured: the beatings, the rapes, the markets where ISIS sold their female prisoners like cattle, and Farida's realisation that the more difficult and resistant she became, the harder it was for her captors to continue their atrocities against her. So she struggled, she bit, she kicked, she accused her captors of going against their religion, and then one day the door to her room was left unlocked. She took her chance along with five other women and set out across the Syrian desert.... This is a story of incredible courage in the face of unthinkable atrocity. As the battle against ISIS continues to ravage the Middle East, *The Girl Who Beat Isis* provides an astonishing perspective on this very terrifying global threat.

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*The Girl Who Beat ISIS* Considering today's climate and the daily reports of the devastating actions of ISIS, this book should be a must read for everyone. Heart wrenching, horrifying, gripping, inspiring and educational. This book had taken my breath away and I just implore people to read it. With many thanks to the publisher and Netgalley for a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

A horrifying retelling of Farida's story, a nineteen year old Yazidi girl from Iraq, whose family and life

as she knew it was torn apart by ISIS. Her painful experiences and will to survive the torment her captors put her through are simply remarkable. Giving the reader a true inside view into what the extremism of ISIS means to the people whose homelands have been desecrated by these terrorists, *The Girl Who Beat ISIS* is a difficult and sinisterly reminiscent read of oppression and genocide. I am glad I picked up this book and was able to put myself in the position of the women in these war-torn areas and know of the real terror they experienced. When you hear emotive headlines in the tabloids about refugees and those fleeing ISIS, it is sobering to read a first-hand account of what these people are fleeing. A well-written emotional and factual account of atrocities that should not be happening in the twenty-first century.

This makes you realise the nastiness of people who believe they are right. And using God as their right to do as they do.

It was up to date, and very well written.

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