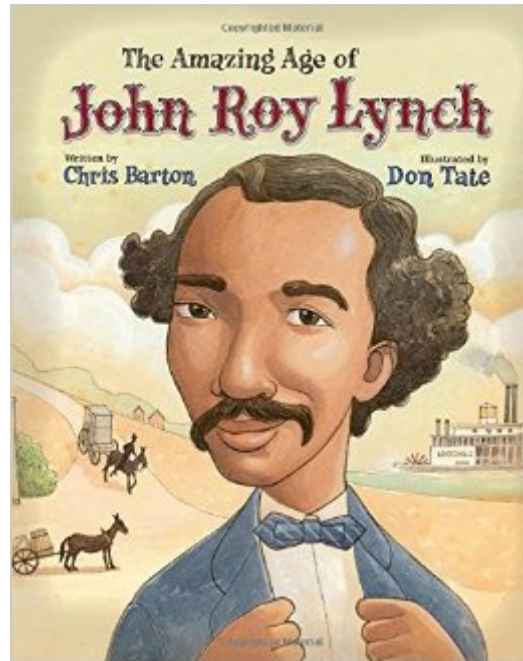


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The Amazing Age Of John Roy Lynch



Synopsis

John Roy Lynch spent most of his childhood as a slave in Mississippi, but all of that changed with the Emancipation Proclamation. Suddenly people like John Roy could have paying jobs and attend school. While many people in the South were unhappy with the social change, John Roy thrived in the new era. He was appointed to serve as justice of the peace and was eventually elected into the United States Congress. This biography, with its informative backmatter and splendid illustrations, gives readers an in-depth look at the Reconstruction period through the life of one of the first African-American congressmen.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

â This is the story of a guy who in ten years went from teenage field slave to U.S.

Congressman. â Come again? Thatâ This is the pitch author Chris Barton pulled out when he wanted to describe this story to others. You know, childrenâ This book biographies can be very easy as long as you cover the same fifteen to twenty people over and over again. And you could forgive a child for never imagining that there were remarkable people out there beyond Einstein, Tubman, Jefferson, and Sacajawea. People with stories that arenâ This is just unknown to kids but to whole swaths of adults as well. So I always get kind of excited when I see someone new out there. And I

get extra especially excited when the author involved is Chris Barton. Hereâ™s a guy who performed original research to write a picture book biography of the guys who invented Day-Glo colors (âœThe Day-Glo Brothersâ•) so you know youâ™re in safe hands. The inclusion of illustrator Don Tate was not something I would have thought up myself, but by gum it turns out that he's the best possible artist for this story! Tackling what turns out to be a near impossible task (explaining Reconstruction to kids without plunging them into the depths of despair), this keen duo present a book that reads so well youâ™re left wondering not just how they managed to pull it off, but if anyone else can learn something from their technique. From birth until the age of sixteen John Roy Lynch was a slave. The son of an overseer who died before he could free his family, John Roy began life as a house slave but was sent to the fields when his high-strung mistress made him the brunt of her wrath. Not long after, The Civil War broke out and John Roy bought himself a ride to Natchez and got a job.

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