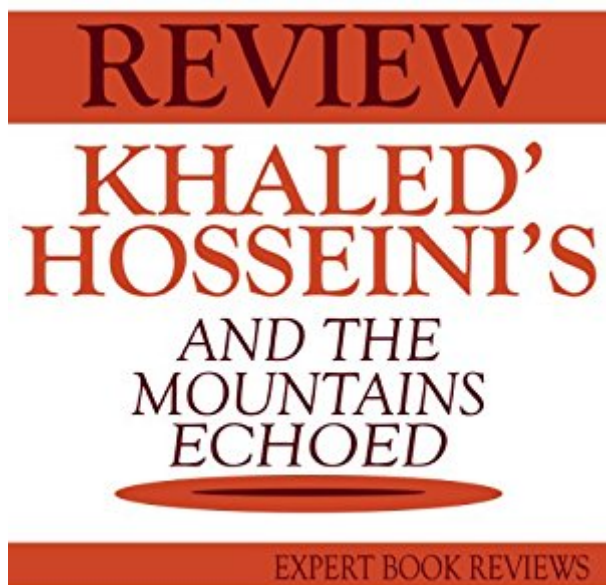


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# And The Mountains Echoed, By Khaled Hosseini: Expert Book Review & Analysis



## Synopsis

Expert Book Reviews presents a comprehensive review, analysis and plot summary of Khaled Hosseini's novel *And the Mountains Echoed*. This is an epic tale set in the mold of *Doctor Zhivago*, in which the lives of the characters are determined, often tragically, by great historical circumstances and events that they are powerless to control. Khaled Hosseini's story tells of a little Afghan girl's unlikely journey with her family. *And the Mountains Echoed* is a love story of a different kind. Pari, as she is named, is loved by her older brother beyond words. When she is torn from him and her family at the tender age of three, the stage is set for the suspense that will last as long as the story: will they ever meet again? No amount of factual history can give as deep and vivid a sense of the reality of Afghanistan in the last seventy years as this story gives. Likewise, no mere reporting or film documentary can give as lucid an account of the cruel decisions forced on people living on the verge of destitution, of the nuances and characteristics of such an ancient, complex and reactionary, but proud country as Afghanistan. It's no wonder that empires, past and present, floundered in their attempts to conquer her. As it was for Hosseini's *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, Afghanistan is just the setting, the background, for a profound exploration of the human soul, its capacity for good and evil, paradoxically often at the same time and by the same person.

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## Customer Reviews

It's one of those books that you can't stop reading. It's a great story told about one's love for family and the quest to find one's treasure in life. Pari's adventure in life could be anyone's. The love that

binds their family, and the strength each character has showed is truly an inspiration to anyone who reads this story. I recommend this book anybody who wants to have a good read and be inspired.

A tale of a young Afghan girl and the events and people in her life is reviewed, summarized and concisely examined in this review of the book 'And the Mountains Echoed.' Delving into symbols, characters and chapter summaries this review leaves no stone un-turned in an effort to condense the information presented in the original story. But it is more than just compact information, the review also discusses how the story and the history of the time overlap and work with each other to create a pungent tale of difficult times in Afghanistan. A great companion to the original novel this review gives you the most important events and parts of the original in a clear and compact way that allows for a quick refresher.

In this heart-wrenching, yet captivating novel, one will find solace in the honesty of Hosseini in revealing the pains and the joys of life as any individual goes through regardless of race, country, or religion. What is more appealing is the way Hosseini intertwined stories of a multitude of characters without taking away the focus from the main character, Pari. These characters actually help conclude and resolve the conflict that revolves around Pari and Abdullah. Once you start reading this book, like Hosseini's other books, you will find it difficult to put it down because every bit of the story is relatable in the sense that it personifies individual struggles such as selfishness over love and greediness over goodness. Finally what is delightful about this book is the way the author used a lot of symbolisms to romanticize the novel, which shows that this story has some sort of deep connection to him and his roots.

Some people don't understand why you would want to purchase a book summary or review and I get asked "why do you purchase the summary/review even after you purchase the book?" This book review gave me the perfect answer for that question... so many times you will read a book and there are parts of the storyline that will stick with you and other parts that will not. Then there are times that you will start reading a book and it is so exciting that you end up spending too much time in the book and not enough time in real life. Or the opposite happens and you can get so bored by the book that you can't complete your daily tasks. When I read this review there were some things I picked up that I maybe would have missed in the book. This book review like others can give you some additional perspectives on the book, the story line and what the author was trying to achieve with the book. Specifically for me the Review of Khaled Hosseini's "And the Mountains Echoed" is a

pre-read. Something I can get done quickly which will tell me when I should start reading the book. This review excited me and so I know I won't start reading this book in the week and instead will start reading on the weekend when I know I won't have many reasons to put it down so I can enjoy it to the fullest. I recommend this book review if you are the type of reader who wants more than what the book has to offer from the writer's side... Highly recommended!

Of KITE RUNNER, A THOUSAND SPLENDID SUNS.... , and THE MOUNTAINS ECHOED...., I liked this one least but even with that said, I enjoyed Hosseini's story-telling ability immensely, and this was an interesting story of families torn apart. However, at times, I found it confusing.... what family was he writing about, who was who, etc., and I was disappointed in the ending with Abdullah having dementia and never able to understand that his sister Pari, who had meant so very much to him in their childhood, had been found and had returned to him and her original family.... that was sad. A sentence from the book that has stayed with me: "In Afghanistan, there are a thousand tragedies for every mile." Please note: I am reviewing the BOOK, NOT Sidekick, which I purchased by mistake.

It is important to read the book before reading the summary and analysis, but the list of characters would help one keep track of who is who. It would have been a good addition to have family trees before and during the reading of the whole book. I suggest they be included in this.

This is a fantastically written review. I was impressed by such wording as "it is not enough that aging disfigures faces and bodies. It brings with it degenerative conditions that oftentimes rob those afflicted of what dignity they have left." It continues on in the same vein throughout the review. What a unique, well thought out and worded perspective. This review opened my eyes to everyday situations in a whole new light. If the book is half as eloquent as this review was, I will be happy.

Expert Book Reviews have done it again, their analysis of 'And the Mountains Echoed' After thoroughly reading through this review I was able to further grasp the understanding, as when you read a book certain parts 'click' and other parts don't - these guides are great for filling in the blanks. Recommended reading.

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