

Doctor Who and the Crusaders (Doctor Who)

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David Whitaker : Doctor Who and the Crusaders (Doctor Who) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Doctor Who and the Crusaders (Doctor Who):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Meghan Great adaption of a great serial! 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Certainly one of my least favorite adventures of the Doctor By Customer Certainly one of my least favorite adventures of the Doctor. It's based entirely in a historical atmosphere with no other-worldly influence. Barbra is a predictable nuisance by getting kidnapped repeatedly. Ian is unrealistically heroic and lucky. The Doctor isn't even spoken of for most of the book. It's pretty boring compared to most Doctor Who adventures. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Doctor Who in world's longest running war zone By Customer The first round of novelisations of Doctor Who happened back in 1965. "The Crusaders" is the third of these. (Novelisations did not recommence until 1973 under the Target banner.) The Doctor, Ian, Barbara and Vicki arrive in twelfth century Palestine, and are soon split up: Barbara is captured by the Saracens, while the rest fall in with King Richard the Lionhearted. While Ian is knighted and dispatched with a message to Saladin and to rescue Barbara, the Doctor and Vicki are caught up in court intrigue. Given the way things go, one could argue which of them is in the most danger. Strong characterisation by David Whitaker (author of both the original script and this book) makes this book a very good read (sadly, we only have half of the story still existing on video), and yet again demonstrates that the historical stories were often very good, exceeding the science fiction stories in some cases. This book is illustrated by line drawings. I wish it wasn't. They aren't very good.

The Doctor (William Hartnell) returns to his favourite planet, Earth, in 12th century Palestine and his companion Barbara is soon kidnapped by the Saracen leader. Meanwhile the Doctor and Vicki are taken to the court of Richard the Lionheart, who is leading a crusade against the Saracens.