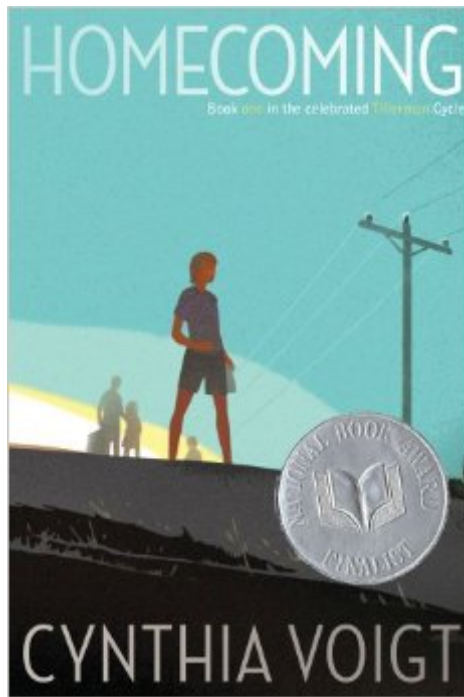


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Homecoming (The Tillerman Cycle)



Synopsis

It's still true. • That's the first thing James Tillerman says to his older sister, Dicey, every morning. It's still true that their mother has abandoned the four Tillermans in a mall parking lot somewhere in the middle of Connecticut. It's still true that they have to find their own way to Great-aunt Cilla's house in Bridgeport. It's still true that they need to spend as little as possible on food and seek shelter anywhere that is out of view of the authorities. It's still true that the only way they can hope to all stay together is to just keep moving forward. Deep down, Dicey hopes they can find someone to trust, someone who will take them in and love them. But she's afraid it's just too much to hope for....

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Customer Reviews

When I decided to suddenly try to read as many different kinds of children's books out there, I had no idea what I was getting myself into. Suddenly I was discovering a multitude of different staples, awards, experts, critiques, and controversies. Perhaps most surprising to me, however, were those books that I was somewhat familiar with, but not actually fluent in. Cynthia Voigt's Tillerman saga is a collection of some seven books about a single variegated family. The series is considered by some to be a masterpiece. So I decided that the time had come to finally give these books a try. Of

course, the first book in the saga, "Homecoming" is daunting. It's a work of realistic fiction filling about 402 pages. Hardly light reading. I started it with some reluctance. Then I found myself completely unable to stop until I'd reached the end. This is one of the best books I've ever had the pleasure to read. I only wish that had been obvious from the outset. It sounds like the headline of a tabloid newspaper: Mother Abandons Children In Mall Parking Lot. But for the Tillerman children, Dicey James, Maybeth, and Sammy, their situation is horribly real. Their mother has abandoned them without explanation or even so much as a goodbye. Dicey, the thirteen-year-old eldest of the kids, thinks the situation through. They have a little money and they know where their only known relative, a rich aunt, lives. If they go to the police they may be separated from one another and placed in foster homes. If they make it to the aunt's house, however, they might be able to stay together. It's a risk considering the distance they must travel and the dangers along the way, but Dicey has faith in their mission. The book is split into two portions.

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