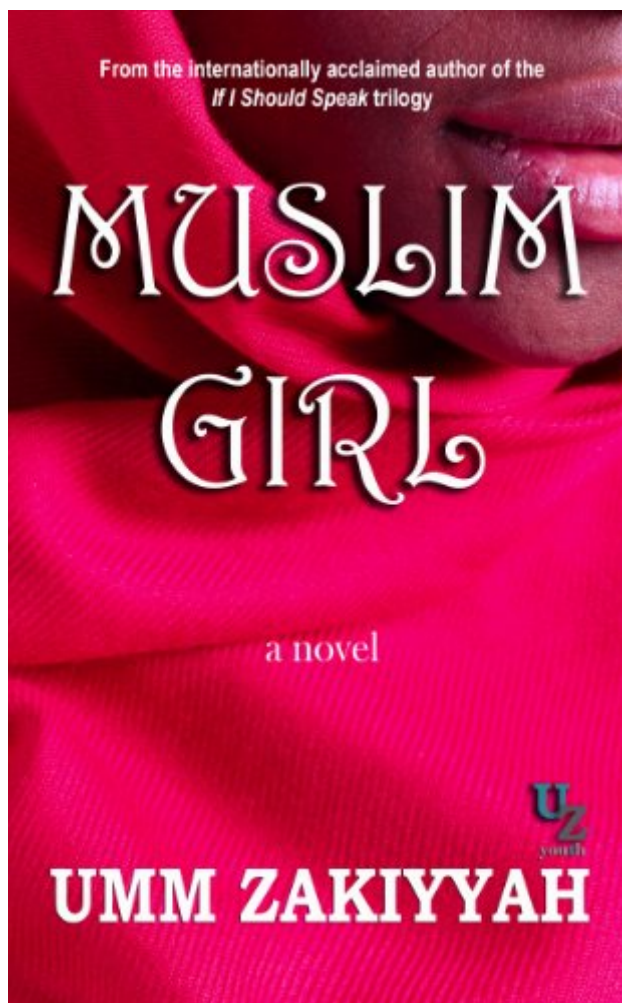


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Muslim Girl



Synopsis

Faith turns to shame, confidence to doubt, and conviction to rebellion. Inaya was only nine when her mother converted to Islam and moved the family to Saudi Arabia. Now, at sixteen years old, Inaya returns to America and decides to remove her Muslim clothes and hide her religion at school. ...And she hopes to get the attention of a boy she likes. But she has no idea how to hide this double life from her mother, and from everyone who admires her strong faith.

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Customer Reviews

I didn't know Umm Zakiyyah had come out with some new books since the "If I Should Speak" trilogy, so I was happy to stumble across this in the Kindle store. It's the story of a young American girl who moved to Saudi Arabia with her mother when she was nine, and has now moved back to the states. She must face the trials of do I want to be "visibly" Muslim or do I want to be "normal." Even older Muslims can relate to that as a struggle, and it's something that our kids will definitely go through as well, so it's a good read. I enjoyed it tremendously, but wished it had been flushed out

more. It's a quick read and like all of her books, ends too soon! Would have loved to hear more from the character Anisa (Inaya's Mom's friend), as well as hear more about Nasra. I'm hoping that there's a sequel in the works. :) I've been Muslim for 15+ years. Like many, some days/years are easier than other. One thing I've found is that Umm Zakiyyah's fiction is always inspirational. I always take away something that helps me. Jazakh'Allah Sister for that. I've also recently discovered her Facebook page, which I enjoy following.

Great job sister! That was one of the best books I read in my life. I loved it and keep it up. May Allah preserve and grant you the best in both worlds. Salam

good reading from beginning to end

Excellent read!!!!!!

I was a little lost in the beginning and did not get the point of the story until the end.

very disappointing. i thought it would be way more interesting!

Mashallah this is my first Islamic novel and I loved the plot, the diction and the details; especially when it comes to expressing emotions. I am definitely getting one for my sister In Shaa Allah. Inaya who's the main character of the story faced trials and her Imaan was tested as teenager whose mom converted to Islam when she was a little girl. Umm Zakiyya brings to light in this story the prejudice between converts to Islam and born-muslims. It is very sad to know that this prejudice still exists in our lives even if we are oblivious to it. The challenges Inaya faced is no different than what all muslims face in their daily lives. Allah says in Suratu Al-'Ankabut [29:2] Sahih International "Do the people think that they will be left to say, "We believe" and they will not be tried?" Each of us have weaknesses we wish to overcome but we might not be brave enough to confront them. We read about how Inaya "conveniently" soils her hijab and loses the courage to wear it in school again. It is basically a nightmare for any Muslima who wears hijab for the sake of Allah Subhanahu Wata'aalah. I felt for her and I could only imagine how hard it was for her to live a double life considering the fact that she memorized the Qur'an already. We mostly expect people who have memorized the Qur'an to be flawless in their Imaan and we forget that they are people like us who need our support to increase their Imaan. We have to remember that Allah said that the best of you in the sight of Allah

are those who fear Allah the most and not those who have memorized the Qur'an. It was hard to accept that Inaya could take off her hijab but I had to come to term with the fact that she was still a muslim. We are constantly making excuses for transcending the boundaries Allah has set for us. This novel is a remind that we should wear hijab for the sake of Allah and not for our parents or anyone. I think Inaya forgot WHY she was wearing the hijab in the first place. Knowing WHY you do something is an important reminder for when you lose your way. This story is a wake call for us to set up and support each other to become better muslims. It also shows how families never give up on each other. I think Umm Zakiyya summarizes everything up in the epilogue when she mentions that it doesn't matter how many times we lose our way if we always find our way back to Allah. Allah Subhanahu Wata'alalah says in the Qur'an in Surat Az-Zumar [39:53] "Say, "O My servants who have transgressed against themselves [by sinning], do not despair of the mercy of Allah . Indeed, Allah forgives all sins. Indeed, it is He who is the Forgiving, the Merciful." I love this book and I will be reading it over and over again In Shaa Allah.

Well written book. I found this book to be very interesting because it's a book with the feeling of a movie. Many times while reading I felt as if I was looking at a movie. The author does a good job with imagery. This book talks about a Muslim girl's identity and how she is viewed in America. I greatly appreciate this book because it helps me understand what they actually go through on a daily basis.

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