



Tarshis's Latest Retells Tales of Two Tornadoes: 1925's Tri-State Tornado and 2011's Joplin Tornado

Tornado Terror: True Tornado Survival Stories and Amazing Facts from History and Today
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This juxtaposition of a historical event and a modern disaster is thought provoking and will inspire much discussion among students on similarities and differences. Each tale is told from the perspective of a child who actually survived the event, and the narratives are both stirring and factual. Tarshis also includes historical reference information, details on her research process, and copious archival images

that enhance the narrative. The text is large, and nearly every page contains at least one picture, which will likely entice reluctant readers.

VERDICT

This high-interest addition to an already beloved series is a no-brainer for elementary school libraries.

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