

Spoilers redacted

Coast Watcher by David Hill is about a 19 year old man named Frank Benson who is a radio operator. He along with Wally Ropata (another radio operator) get sent out on a mission to spy on the Japanese in Operation Pacific. Les Murray is sent to help keep them safe.

Along the way they meet A'ata a Soloman Islander who helps them gain information against the Japanese, but can he be trusted?

Coast Watcher is filled with adventure and tense moments. My favourite part of the book was when Frank and A'ata were

I liked this part because it was exciting and it got to show what Frank had inside him.

I think what the Author did well was explaining the Morse code in a way that made it easy to understand for us reading the book. He also described the characters in different ways by not just using their names.

I liked the book because it was set in war time and I learned alot about what the people went through in Operation Pacific, I also enjoyed the different places in the characters go in the book, which is mapped out for the reader in the beginning.

I think kids aged 11-13 will enjoy this book, if they are interested in a military adventure and and how New Zealand was involved in the war and Operation Pacific.

It's a good book for those that like a thrilling tense read.

- Joseph, age 10, Te Atatu South