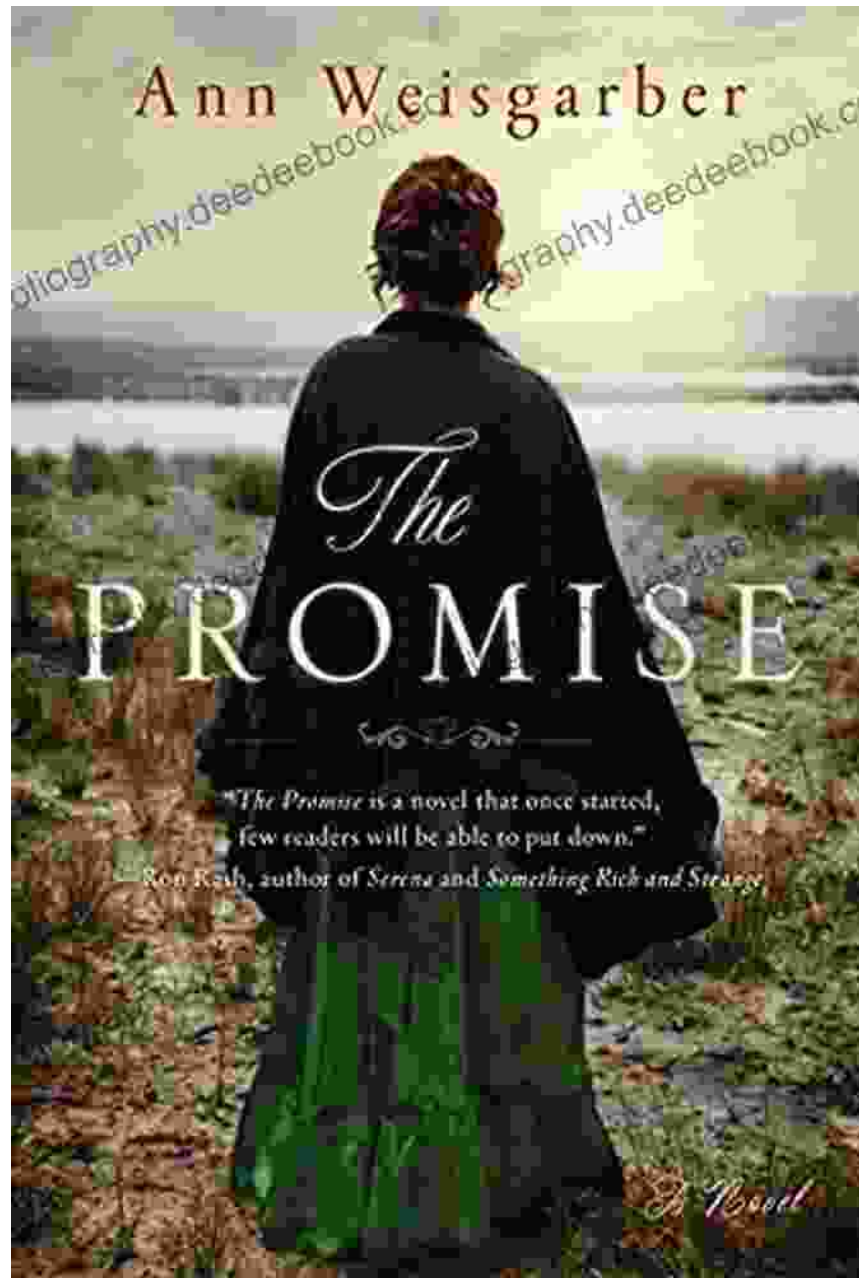


# The Promise by Rosanne Welch: A Harrowing Novel of Love, Loss, and Resilience



Set against the backdrop of the Great Depression, *The Promise* by Rosanne Welch is a gripping tale of love, loss, and resilience. The novel

follows the journey of two young women whose lives are intertwined in unexpected ways.



### **The Promise** by Rosanne Welch

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

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Anna is a young woman from a wealthy family who has lost everything in the stock market crash. Desperate for work, she takes a job as a maid for the wealthy Van der Luyden family. Sarah is a young woman from a poor family who is struggling to make ends meet. She takes a job as a waitress at the Van der Luydens' parties.

Anna and Sarah come from different worlds, but they share a common bond: they are both strong and determined women who are trying to survive in a difficult time. As they work together, they develop a friendship that will change their lives forever.

One day, Anna overhears a conversation between Mr. Van der Luyden and his business associates. She learns that they are planning to foreclose on the homes of their tenants, including Sarah's family. Anna is horrified, and she knows that she has to do something to help her friend.

Anna goes to Sarah and tells her what she has heard. Sarah is devastated, but Anna convinces her that they can fight back. Together, they organize the other tenants and stage a rent strike. The strike is successful, and the Van der Luydens are forced to back down.

Anna and Sarah's victory is a small one, but it is a victory nonetheless. It shows that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope. *The Promise* is a powerful and moving novel that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.

### **About the Author**

Rosanne Welch is an award-winning author of historical fiction. Her novels have been praised for their rich characters, vivid settings, and compelling stories. Welch has a deep understanding of the human experience, and her novels explore the complexities of love, loss, and resilience.

Welch was born in New York City and grew up in New Jersey. She graduated from Rutgers University with a degree in English. After college, Welch worked as a journalist and editor before turning to writing full-time. She has published over twenty novels, including *The Promise*, *The Winter Rose*, and *The Orphan Train*.

Welch is a passionate advocate for social justice. She has worked with organizations that help the homeless and the hungry. She is also a member of the Authors Guild and the Historical Novel Society.

### **Discussion Questions**

1. What did you think of *The Promise*? Did you enjoy the story? 2. What did you think of the characters in the novel? Who was your favorite character?

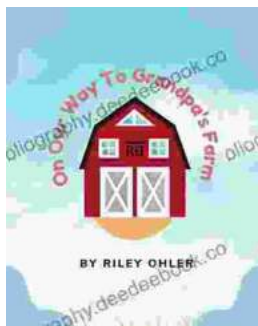
3. What did you think of the novel's setting? Did you feel like you were transported to the Great Depression? 4. What did you think of the novel's themes? What do you think the novel is trying to say about love, loss, and resilience? 5. Would you recommend *The Promise* to others? Why or why not?



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