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Re: Book discussion of Educated by Tara Westover

at the Port Angeles Main Library

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The Wednesday Evening Book Discussion Group meets at the Port Angeles Main Library of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) every fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm. On Wednesday, September 25, the group will discuss *Educated* by Tara Westover.

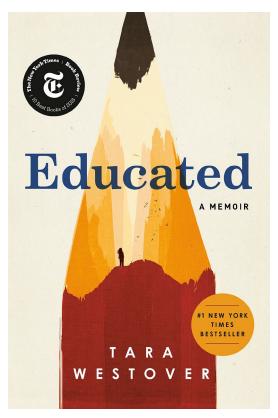
Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head-for-the-hills bag." In the summer she stewed herbs for her mother, a midwife and healer, and in the winter she salvaged in her father's junkyard. The family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. As a way out, Tara began to educate herself, learning enough mathematics and grammar to be admitted to Brigham Young University. Her quest for knowledge would transform her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. With the acute insight that distinguishes all great writers, Tara Westover has crafted a universal coming-of-age story that gets to the heart of what an education offers: the perspective to see one's life through new eyes, and the will to change it.

Copies of this title are available in various formats including regular print, large print, and downloadable eBook, which may be requested online by visiting the library catalog at

www.nols.org. A limited number of copies of each book discussion selection are available at the Library the month prior to each meeting.

To participate, simply read the book and attend the discussion; drop-ins are always welcome. For a complete list of 2019 Book Discussion Group selections, visit www.nols.org/book-discussion-groups. This program is generously supported by the Port Angeles Friends of the Library.

The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street in Port Angeles. For more information about book discussion groups at your library, visit www.nols.org, call 360.417.8500, or email discover@nols.org.



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