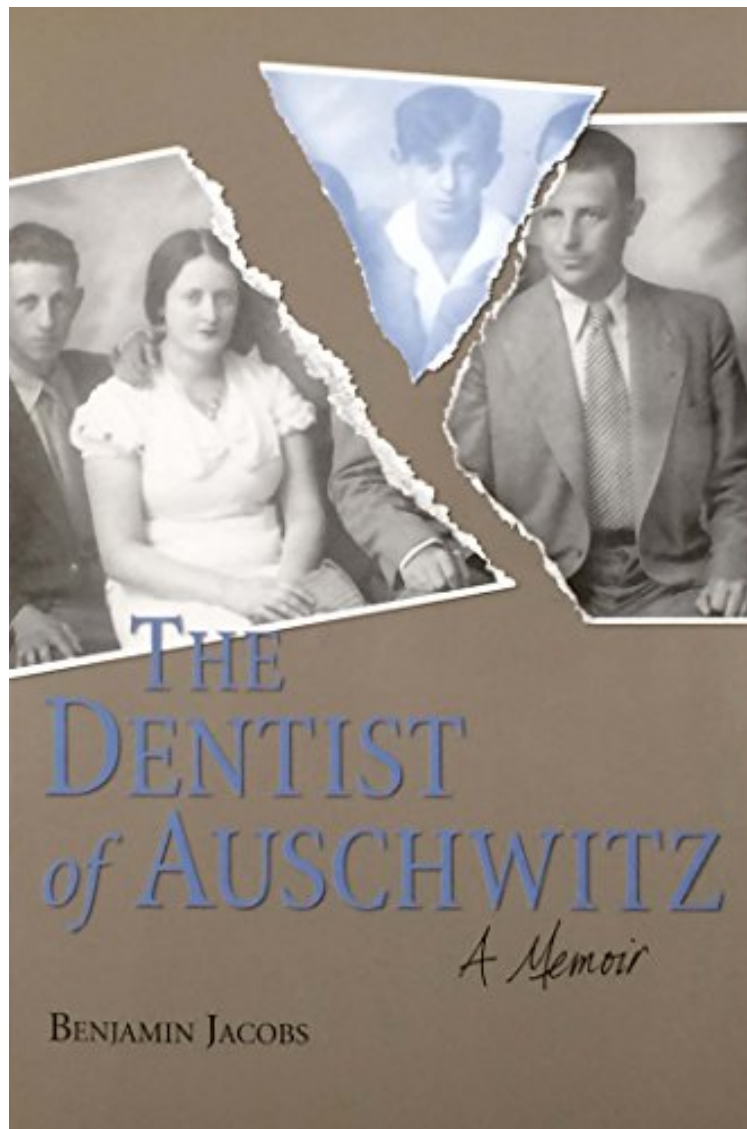


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**Von Benjamin Jacobs : The Dentist of Auschwitz: A Memoir** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Dentist of Auschwitz: A Memoir:

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Engaging, nonsentimental, detailed survivor memoir. Von Dr. Robert S. Frey "The Dentist of Auschwitz" is an outstanding and accessible nonfiction Holocaust memoir on a par with Elie Wiesel's venerable and moving novella, "Night." As a survivor of both labor and concentration camps during the Holocaust years in Europe, Benjamin Jacobs

offers us two very unusual perspectives into the Nazi kingdom of death. First, he was already a young adult when he was incarcerated in a labor camp in Poland; he was not a child nor was he already a person advanced in age, and thus he brings a unique vantage. Secondly, Mr. Jacobs, now in his eighties, has expended the effort and anguish to reach back through the benefit of five intervening decades of time to relate his harrowing story and that of his family. "The Dentist of Auschwitz" is a very human account of an ordinary Jewish family in Poland whose lives were changed indelibly--and for his mother, father, and sister, ultimately extinguished. In a thoroughly engaging manner, Mr. Jacobs relates his thoughts, loves, passions, and challenges with God as he endured the daily fear and hunger, cold and pain of 4 years in the Holocaust universe. He is to be commended for sharing his life with us. Hopefully, we will listen.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A very well-written book that I could not put down. Von Ein Kunde A very well-written first person account of the Holocaust, easily readable. This book can either introduce someone that has little knowledge of the Holocaust to its horrors or will add to the knowledge of those who already are well-versed in the brutal behavior of the Nazis. The fact that this book has the most in-depth account of the worst sea disaster in history (the bombing of the Deutschland, Cap Arcona, and Thielbeck) that I could find in the English language adds to its value.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A truly compelling read. I literally could'nt put it down. Von Ein Kunde One of the best books I've read in years, I started it to kill time until the family returned from shopping, with every intention of spending the remainder of the day at the lake enjoying the magnificent 76 degree sunny saturday. However it hooked me and I ended up sitting in my study well into the evening until I'd finished it. The authors prose is truly compelling, he breathes life into the pages of this book, his timing is impeccable, the readers interest never falters.

**Kurzbeschreibung**In 1941 Berek Jakubowicz (now Benjamin Jacobs) was deported from his Polish village and remained a prisoner of the Reich until the final days of the war. His possession of a few dental tools and rudimentary skills saved his life. Jacobs helped assemble V1 and V2 rockets in Buchenwald and Dora-Mittelbau; spent a year and a half in Auschwitz, where he was forced to remove gold teeth from corpses; and survived the RAF attack on three ocean liners turned prison camps in the Bay of Lubeck. This is his story.

From Publishers Weekly Jacobs, a Polish Jew, was a first-year dental student before he spent five years in Nazi extermination camps, including Auschwitz. Here, he vividly recalls that time, during which his elementary professional skills enabled him to practice primitive dentistry on inmates and SS officers alike, as well as to obey orders to extract gold teeth from corpses after gassing. Jacobs's understated tone conveys all the more forcefully the daily horror of camp life: bitter cold, near starvation, the smell of burning human flesh. Worst of all, notes the author, born Berek Jakubowicz, Auschwitz became a perverted "way of life" as he tried to survive it. Jacobs, who now practices dentistry in Boston, is a compelling witness. Illustrations not seen by PW. Copyright 1994 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From Booklist Benjamin Jacobs was a Jewish dental student who in 1941 was deported from the Polish village of Dobra--along with 166 other Jewish men, including his father--to a Nazi labor camp. Jacobs was 22, and what followed was four years of horror in two labor camps and in Auschwitz, where his father died and his brother survived. (His mother and sister were murdered in Chelmno.) The author survived because of his elementary dental skills; he worked on the teeth of inmates and later on those of 55 officers. In simple, straightforward prose, Jacobs reveals the relentless and senseless brutality of concentration camp existence and--finally--the miracle of survival. Jacobs' book is another solid addition to the ever-growing body of Holocaust literature. George Cohen