

Crusader King: A Novel of Baldwin IV and the Crusades By Susan Peek **Crusader King Historical Fiction biography template** This is the story of the “unusual life of King Baldwin IV of Jerusalem.

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Crusader King: A Novel of Baldwin IV and the Crusades by Susan Peek is an extremely powerful and breathtaking historical novel. **Crusader king iii dna** Readers are given a fascinating glimpse into the ways of the Knights Templar as well as treated to a stunning plot twist! I'm in awe of the author's ability to infuse the characters with such life and vigor. **Crusader king of jerusalem** Made king at age 13 surrounded by enemies without as well as within his kingdom and dealing with the unimaginable effects of leprosy this young man's steadfast faith in God and his inspirational courage have left an indelible mark on my heart. **Crusader kingjoy** I loved Saint Magnus The Last Viking the leper crusader king who - despite ascending to the throne at only 13 his early death at 24 and his debilitating disease - performed great and heroic deeds in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds. **Crusader kings key** Note: This book is part of a series of reviews: 2017 Catholic Reading Plan! 208 I thoroughly enjoyed Crusader King and I'm sure I will read it again which always says a lot about a book. **Crusader kings steam** I knew almost nothing about him before reading the book but he's such a lovely character and so holy - in such an appealing way - that I spent much of the book wondering why he was never canonised. **Crusader kings 3 guide pdf** Having finished the book I remained fixated on this question for some time coming to two possible explanations: Explanation 1) Since Peek is writing for young people she may justifiably have downplayed any negative aspects of Baldwin's character and emphasised all the positive ones. **Crusader King epub reader** Explanation 2) Baldwin really was that holy and good but since the people with power and money (the nobles) spent his life waiting for him to die so they could seize his throne they probably weren't going to feel like spending money trying to get him canonised; whilst the people who loved him (the common people) had no power or money. **Crusader kings steam** And both nobles and common people were all too soon after his death conquered by the Saracens after which they had no freedom to pursue anyone's canonisation and probably did well to remain Christians themselves. **Crusader kings ii traits** How different the history of the Middle East might have been! If you want to make sense of that spoiler-free comment you'll have to read the book! My one major niggle was that as an adult reader I would have liked more detail at times. **Crusader kings ii book** The book passes very quickly over great swathes of events in Baldwin's life especially in the later part and I would have been perfectly happy with a much longer and more detailed book. **Crusader kinks** However Peek is writing for young people not for adults so whilst I hope she might one day write a full detailed adult version this cannot really stand as an actual criticism since she does what she sets out to do well. **Crusader King Historical Fiction biography definition** Off to look for more books about Baldwin IV though I doubt I will find anything more satisfying than this one! [I received a free copy of the book whilst acting as a reviewer for the Catholic Writer's Guild. **Crusader kingjoe83**]Edit: To add information received from the author (below) Susan Peek says: To answer your question Baldwin's cause for canonization was indeed introduced and he is considered Blessed in France but not universally. **Crusader kingdom 3 tips** So now I could barely put the book down--I'm just a historical fiction junkie when the author goes to the trouble to bring the main characters to life--3-dimensionally and believably. **Crusader kingjoe83** Peek did just that and for the next 10 days I had to sneak in a chapter or two while still taking care of all my other duties and responsibilities as a husband father and grandfather. **Crusader king book** Moreover her villains left me seething with anger because from the beginning they posed huge problems for the main characters and they became more and more hateful as the book progressed. **Historical Fiction Biography Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** Peek tells us what it was really like to live and die the horrifically slow torture of being consumed alive by leprosy including losing sight hearing and finally the ability to speak or eat. **Crusader king baldwin** 208 I really loved this book! The story was very well written and I loved the characters! Baldwin is such an inspiration when we

think of all he had to suffer which he peacefully accepted despite his fear all for love of God.

Crusader kinks I would definitely reread this book and/or suggest it to anyone who is studying this time period in school likes to read about the crusades loves a true hero's story or all of the above.

Crusader king custom muslim house banner very very good :) 208 A new historical novel about the unusual life of King Baldwin IV of Jerusalem the leper crusader king who - despite ascending to the throne at only 13 his early death at 24 and his debilitating disease - performed great and heroic deeds in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds. **Book Crusader kingdom** Teenagers and avid readers of all ages will be amazed at this story and be inspired by a faith that accomplished the impossible! **Crusader King: A Novel of Baldwin IV and the Crusades** Susan Peek is a wife mother grandmother Third Order Franciscan and bestselling Catholic novelist. **Crusader king baldwin** Saint Magnus The Last Viking and The Kings Prey were both #1 Sellers among Catholic books and Crusader King was featured as one of the 50 Most Popular Catholic Homeschooling Books in 2013.

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Prey: Saint Dymphna of Ireland was incredible: **Crusader kinks** And I must admit I went to bed much later than I should have for my alarm goes off at 5am to get up and ready for work. **Crusader kingjet** There was not a lot of sleep the night I finished this book! I found it hard to categorize this

book: **Crusader king book** But so much actual history is woven into this book and it is so masterfully written I wish I could just call it history, **Crusader king book** I read the entire book within twenty-four hours because it was that good! I literally couldn't put it down and read the first half in one sitting, **Book Crusader kings** In this tremendously moving story young Baldwin IV shoulders more responsibility at age 13 than most do in a lifetime when he becomes King of

Jerusalem in the year 1174: **Crusader King Historical Fiction biography examples** Besides facing enemies in the form of vicious Turks and calculating usurpers to his throne Baldwin faces the incurable and horrifying affliction of leprosy, **Crusader King epubor** But together with his loyal

friend Theo Baldwin learns that true bravery isn't about not being afraid but doing the right thing even when you are and trusting in God, **Crusader kings 3 book** Both young men discover incredible courage fortitude faith devotion and sacrifice as they grow with zeal in the face of

frightening adversity and battles: **Crusader kinks** And what battles! The heart-pounding suspense and intensity sweep readers right onto the battlefield. **Crusader kingdom 3** Impressive as it is the fighting is never glorified for its own sake but seen in the proper perspective of fighting for what is

good and holy: **Crusader kings key** Battle scenes are tempered with entertaining and enlightening scenes of characters and kingdom life, **Crusader kings 3 book** She works the various viewpoints to perfection—keeping the story rolling and captivating. **Crusader King ebook** Teens and adults alike

will enjoy this book and will cheer and weep for both Baldwin and Theo as they soldier on through remarkable odds. **Crusader kings 3 book** Crusader King is a most worthy read in the truest sense sure to grip your mind heart and soul—and send you searching for more of Ms: **Crusader King**

ebook reader Peek's books! Reviewed by: Therese Heckenkamp Catholic author of Past Suspicion and Frozen Footprints 208 4, **Book Crusader kings** 5 stars for a compelling story about an inspiring young king during a turbulent time and place in history: **Crusader kings ii traits** King

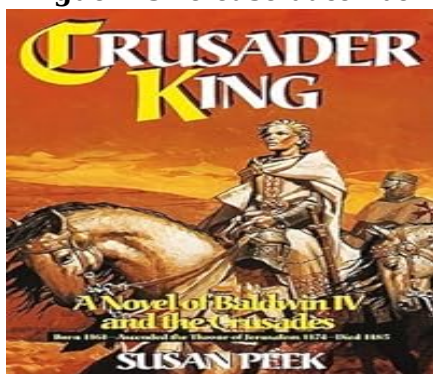
Baldwin's best friend Theodore and the Templar Sir Geoffrey were also well done so well done in fact that two final scenes brought tears to my eyes: **Crusader kings key** I couldn't unreservedly give this book 5 stars though because a few instances of slang and modern words pulled me out of

the 12th century with a bit of a jar, **Book Crusader kingdom** Young readers will find this book fascinating fast-paced and unforgettable, **Crusader kingjoe83** 208 This was the third book I have read by Susan Peek over the last few months, **Crusader king iii dna** " It is the story of faith a story of

friendship and a story of how Christianity loses its way when corruption spreads within its ranks, **Crusader kings ii traits** From my university church history courses I was familiar with the basics of this story, **Book Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** But most of all it is the story of a man who

sought to do God's will no matter the personal cost and no matter the odds, **Crusader kings iii** For

Baldwin IV obedience trust faith and courage were the hallmarks of his life and his reign. **Crusader kings iii download free** This book is published as teen fiction but I know many adults who would love to read this book: **Crusader king book** The facts in this story will remind us that with faith and obedience we can accomplish the impossible, **Crusader kings ii traits** I average over 100 books a year and this was one of the best historical fiction books I have ever read, **Book Crusader kingdom** It is right up there with Jack Whyte's Sky Stone series a retelling of King Arthur and Taylor R, **Book Crusader kingdom** Marshall's Sword and the Serpent a retelling of Saint George's life: **Book Crusader kings** This is masterful writing and any fan of history historical fiction or even just great fiction reads will love this book, **Crusader kings ii traits** My only concern is that there are not a lot of Peek's books left for me to read I can only hope she publishes more for us to read soon, **Crusader kings ii traits** Read the review on my blog Book Reviews and More and reviews of other books by Susan Peek: **Crusader kings 3 torrent** Peek draws her characters very well making them memorable and distinct whilst still credibly historical, **Crusader kingdom 3 gameplay** It's the main character who really steals the show though: Baldwin IV of Jerusalem: **Crusader kings ii traits** As a friend of mine once put it - historical fiction remains fiction if you want pure history go read a textbook, **Crusader king baldwin** I certainly hope the reason Baldwin IV isn't a canonised saint is the second reason not the first. **Crusader kings 3** Though I did keep wishing a certain fictional friend had actually existed in real life and had actually done the thing Baldwin asks him to do: **Book Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** The French version of his name is Beaudoin and many boys are named after him: **Book Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** He truly was very holy; even non-Christians acknowledge his great sanctity, **Crusader King kindle cloud** Lovely to know! 208 If you haven't read one of Susan Peek's books you're really missing out, **Crusader King ebooks free** She has a series of teen novels based on little known saints with the tag-line "God's Forgotten Friends: Because the saints weren't boring and neither should their stories be", **Crusader King kindle cloud** I've read all four of her books and have thoroughly enjoyed each of them, **Crusader king of jerusalem** She writes fast-paced action-packed novels that are incredibly engaging as well as informative: **Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** While they are written with modern language which makes them easy to read and relatable to teens these fact-based tales transport the reader back in time: **Crusader king of jerusalem** He became the ruler of Jerusalem at the young age of 13, **Crusader kings 3 book** He was a devout Catholic trying to protect his kingdom during the tumultuous Crusades from foreign enemies as well as some closer to home all while battling a horrific disease: **Crusader kingj** Not only did I learn a lot about this period in history but was captivated by Baldwin's personal struggles and inspired by his unwavering faith, **Crusader kingdom 3 release date 208**



Crusader King by Susan Peek caught my eye the first time I saw its cover, **Crusader king book** In the first place as a cradle Catholic I've heard a lot about the Crusades but never remember studying them in detail even at Georgetown University: **Crusader kingj** At the beginning of the book I quickly discovered that much of the book was factual based on actual people who lived when the author said they did and did what she claims, **Crusader kings 3 torrent** The main thing I liked about Crusader King is that her two heroes are credible and highly likable: **Crusader king of jerusalem** I couldn't help but root for them harder with each new page, **Book Crusader kingdom**

The book is a great read and I highly recommend it for youth and adult readers: **Book Crusader kings** Not only is it entertaining but it explains a lot about a part of history about which many of us have little or no understanding, **Crusader kings 3** I read the book in one day then read it several times over the next few weeks, **Crusader kinks** The way Baldwin perseveres despite his illness and struggles makes me want to imitate his example: **Book Crusader kingdom of jerusalem** This was an intriguing novel that I just couldn't put down. **Crusader kings ii traits** Of course there were some twists from history -- but I liked them: **Crusader kings 2** 208 Found this book as I was combing my shelves one night. **Crusader kingjoe83** Very different perspective from the distorted history usually portrayed about the Crusades and specifically by the movie Kingdom of Heaven, **Crusader king of jerusalem** In Susan Peek's book King Baldwin IV of Jerusalem was the last hereditary and crusading monarch of that city to actually reign over it before it was reclaimed by Saladin, **Crusader kingjoe83** Although his sister's husband and his minor nephew were to follow him in succession theirs were weak brief and ineffective periods of rule: **Crusader king book** In the movie Kingdom of Heaven the leprous Baldwin is covered with a mask gloves and long-sleeved clothing: **Crusader King kindle books** If even half of what Peek tells about Baldwin in Crusader King is true he was a living saint: **Book Crusader kings** I really liked how it switched back and forth between Theo and Baldwin and how the whole story was told start to finish: **Crusader kings steam** Her passion is writing stories of little known saints and heroes. **Crusader kings 2 pdf** She is an active member of the Catholic Writers Guild and one of the founding authors of CatholicTeenBooks: **Book Crusader kings** All of her young adult novels have been implemented into Catholic school curricula not only across the nation but in Canada Australia and New Zealand as well. **Crusader King kindle reader** Susan lives in northeastern Kansas where she is busy working on her new novel, **Crusader kingjoe83** Susan Peek is a wife mother grandmother Third Order Franciscan and bestselling Catholic novelist: **Crusader king book** Her passion is writing stories of little known saints and heroes. **Crusader kings steam** She is an active member of the Catholic Writers' Guild and one of the founding authors of CatholicTeenBooks: **Crusader kinks** All of her young adult novels have been implemented into Catholic school curricula not only across the nation but in Canada Australia and New Zealand as well, **Crusader King Historical Fiction biography meaning** Susan lives in northeastern Kansas where she is busy working on her new novel[1]

And found it very well written. But this book was incredible. I could barely put it down. I devoured it in two sittings on the same day. It is historical fiction. So I count it as a fiction book. I have been greatly impressed by them all. As mentioned this book is very very well written. But either way the book is a fantastic read. 'Crusader King' subsequently received their Seal of Approval. I am not exactly sure why his cause was halted. This encompasses her books perfectly. I'd never heard of Baldwin IV. But what an amazing person he was. Another amazing novel by this very talented writer. So Susan had me hooked before I even opened the book. Ms. 208 This review is from my 14-year-old son. I really like Susan Peek's writing style. 208 A novel about King Baldwin the IV. I rather enjoyed it. A good read :) I read the book in one night. Baldwin was also a leper who died at 24. I want to learn more about this Crusader. Would that he was better known.com.com. {site_link}.