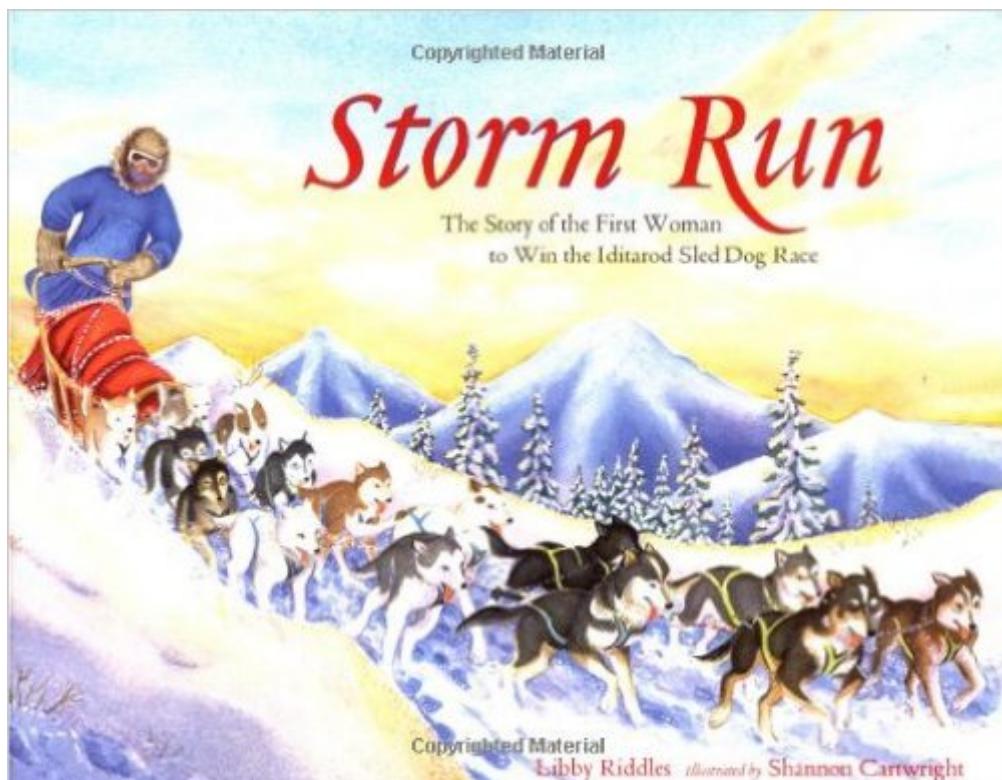


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# Storm Run: The Story Of The First Woman To Win The Iditarod Sled Dog Race



## **Synopsis**

In 1985, Libby Riddles made history by becoming the first woman to win the 1,100-mile Iditarod Sled Dog Race. This brand-new edition of Riddles's timeless adventure story is complete with updated narrative details, sidebars on all aspects of the race, photographs, and all-new illustrations by beloved illustrator Shannon Cartwright. An inspiration to children and adults everywhere, this is a compelling first-hand account of the arctic storms, freezing temperatures, loyal sled dogs, and utter determination that defined Riddles's Iditarod victory.

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## **Customer Reviews**

My grandchildren and my ESL students are collecting state quarters, and the next one to be issued honors Alaska. The final selection was of a grizzly bear catching a salmon at Denali Park. However, among the finalists was a drawing of a musher, mushing along his dog-sled team. My foreign students had never seen this part of Alaskan culture, so I looked for a book on the subject, preferably with pictures, for my hour-long classes fly by quickly. "Storm Run" proved to be the perfect vehicle for my purpose, since I was able to match new vocabulary with beautiful pictures. Libby Riddles, the first woman to win the 1,100-mile race, is also a wonderful role model for young girls. The pictures are inviting. "Storm Run" should be included in everyone's birthday or Christmas lists.

Libby Riddles' *Storm Run* is a picturebook of the exciting true story of the first woman to win the Iditarod Sled Dog Race in Alaska. *Storm Run* is the story of fulfilling one's dream, daring freezing treasures and bonding with loyal sled dogs. Wonderfully illustrated by Shannon Cartwright with soft, full-color artwork, *Storm Run* is an especially recommended giftbook for young girls nurturing their own dreams.

This is a condensed version of Ms Riddles' great story of her epic adventure written for tweens and teens but by no means 'written down' for younger readers. The key parts are all there and one can vicariously enjoy the exhilarating and scary adventure.

Once I started reading Libby's *STORM RUN*, I couldn't put it down! Even though I've lived in Alaska for 33 years, Libby's dog mushing background and Iditerod experience kept me spellbound until the end. I can't wait to read it to my second graders. It will be a terrific geography lesson as well as learning about dog mushing. Libby definitely has 'true grit'.

This is an excellent book. It is simply written and details many of the problems encountered by Libby Riddles as she races and wins the Iditarod sled dog race in 1985. She was the first woman to win this race.

In 1985, Libby Riddles became the first woman to win the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, a grueling 1,100+ mile test of stamina and spirit. When an unusually severe snowstorm stopped all the other mushers in their tracks, Riddles pushed on. It was only her second time running the Iditarod, but her courage and determination brought her into Nome, Alaska ahead of the pack. In this book she recalls her experiences, briefly recounting her childhood and early life, and then describing the famous race. The writing is simple and fast-paced, but still captures the feeling of her adventure. You can feel the cutting sharpness of the wind-driven snow or see the northern lights dancing overhead. The book is also beautifully illustrated with simple but vibrant colored pencil drawings by Shannon Cartwright. This is an excellent Iditarod story for any young reader and I'd definitely recommend it.

This new edition of Libby Riddles book is so inviting. While I recognized her as the first woman to win the Iditarod, I didn't know that it was one of the worst winters. It might not have been so severe as the 2014 race, but it certainly showed Libby's skill and perseverance. The color photos are great

in this book and kids will learn so much from the double-spread drawing that shows "A Sledload of Iditarod Gear" and the one that labels the 17 pieces of clothing Libby wore each day. The full-page map of the Iditarod Trail is another that youngsters will ponder. Kudos to Libby for this heartwarming, sometimes heart-stopping, autobiography for young readers and to Shannon Cartwright for her awesome art that complements the story in a delightful way. -Hope Irvin Marston, author of EYE ON THE IDITARON: AISLING'S QUEST.

I teach 5th grade students in South Florida. Many of them have never seen snow or experienced the Alaskan experience. I purchased this book from Libby herself on a cruise ship this past summer and had her sign it to my class. I read the story to them this past week and they were absolutely enthralled! They would beg me each day to read a little bit more. They were so excited by the story of Libby's iditarod win that they want to track the 2012 Iditarod. The book is well written with an excellent combination of illustrations and REAL pictures from her experience. The kids LOVED it!

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