Books about the Kindertransport

By the Moon and the Stars
Eva Hayman
In June, 1939, 15-year-old Eva and her 11-year-old sister, Vera, were evacuated via Kindertransport from Czechoslovakia to Great Britain. Eva kept a diary of events of the war and of her own thoughts and feelings.

Dark Clouds Don’t Stay Forever: Memoirs of a Jewish German Boy in the 1930s and 1940s
Werner Neuburger
This is Werner’s story of growing up in Germany, relocation to England as part of the Kindertransport, emigration to the United States and life after the war.

My Heart in a Suitcase
Anne Fox
This is Anne Fox’s memoir of her experience on the Kindertransport.

Not With Silver Spoon
Harry Avray
This is Harry Avray’s memoir of his experience on the Kindertransport.

Letter to Alexander: A Family’s Kindertransport Experience
Renata Laxova

The Tiger in the Attic: Memories of the Kindertransport and Growing Up English
Edith Milton

Throw Your Feet Over Your Shoulders: Beyond the Kindertransport
Frieda Stolzberg Korobkin
The book is a description of Frieda Stolzberg Korobkin’s life as a six-year-old child on the Kindertransport. It includes her parents’ thoughts as they make the decision to send Frieda and her sisters and a brother to England.

Kindertransport
Olga Levy Drucker

Ten Thousand Children: True Stories told by Children Who Escaped the Holocaust on the Kindertransport.
Anne Fox
Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport
Deborah Oppenheimer

The Children of Willesden Lane: Beyond the Kindertransport
Mona Golabek
Books About Children of War

Shattered: Stories of Children and War
    Jennifer Armstrong

No Pretty Pictures: A Child of War (about the Holocaust)
    Anita Lobel

A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier
    Ishmael Beah
    This is about a boy in Sierra Leone and while it is a good book, the truth of the story is questioned.

Girl Soldier: A Story of Hope for Northern Uganda’s Children
    Grace Akallo and Faith J.H. McDonnell

One Day the Soldiers Came: Voices of Children in War (P.S.)
    Charles London
Books about Rescue and Heroes during World War II

Their Brothers’ Keepers
Philip Friedman
Friedman is a historian who interviewed people across Europe to discover instances of mercy and sacrifice and to understand rescuers’ motivations in risking their lives to save strangers.

Righteous Gentiles: The Story of Raoul Wallenberg
John Bierman
This is the story of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swede who is credited with saving close to 100,000 Hungarian Jews.

The Courage to Care: Rescuers of Jews During the Holocaust
Carol Rittner and Sondra Meyers
This is a collection of photos, short narratives and essays about efforts to rescue Jews during the Holocaust. Some are stories of individual rescuers and some describe the actions taken by entire villages.

Rescue: The Story of how Gentiles Saved Jews During the Holocaust
Milton Melzer
These are stories of how righteous gentiles risked imprisonment and death to save Jews from Nazi persecution. Included are stories about ordinary people who made a difference and became heroes because they would not tolerate Nazi hatred.

The Hiding Place
Corrie Ten Boom
These are stories of women and their families who rescued Jews because of their religious convictions.

The Things We Could Not Say
Diet Emmann
This is the story of women and their families who rescued Jews because of their religious convictions.

Assignment: Rescue
Varian Fry
This autobiography tells the story of Varian Fry, an American secret agent who went to France to help smuggle Jews over the French border. Fry is credited with saving the lives of two to three thousand people.

Schindler’s List
Thomas Keneally
Based on a true story, this book is a mixture of fact and fiction. Keneally relates the story of Oskar Schindler who saved many Jews and was named a Righteous Gentile.