

AMY'S HIDDEN LIFE.

One sunny morning, I am walking my little brothers to school. Mitchell and Caleb look at all the bruises and cuts on my arms, legs and face. Caleb who is only 5 asked me "why do you have so many cuts and bruises?" I thought about it and said "don't worry about it Caleb and Mitchell and lets hurry it up." Couple of blocks later we arrived at school, I take Caleb to his prep class and Mitchell 6 to his grade 1 class and I leave and go to my grade 3 class. Our school nurse took Amy out of class and asked her "why are you always covered in cuts and bruises?" Amy lies quickly and says "I always trip over and hurt myself." The nurse knew she was lying and looked angrily at Amy and said calmly "Amy Jordan I am calling your parents." Amy said quickly "no don't do it please." The nurse asked "why not?" Amy lied again and said "mum and stepdad are really busy." The nurse said calmly "they can't be too busy to answer a few questions." Amy weakly smiled and walked into her class. When the nurse rang the parents she said "hi Mrs Jordan I got a few questions I want to ask you about Amy can you please come to the school as soon as possible." Amy's mum said angrily "I am sorry mind your own business and leave her alone." Then hung up. The nurse got worried and told the principal. The principal took all the kids out of class and asked Amy "what are your parents doing to

you all?" Caleb said "step-daddy is always hitting, kicking, slapping and biting us." That got the principal going he told the nurse "to take the kids to the office NOW." The principal ran and called the police "police we need you at Owen primary school now please!" seconds later the sirens sounded and the police ran into the office. Caleb, Mitchell and Amy were crying softly. Police officer Matt said "what's the problem here today sir? Why are we here?" The principal said "I just heard disturbing news from these kids." Officer Matt looked at them and said "what?" The principal explained calmly and clear "Caleb has told me that his mum and step-dad are hitting, kicking, slapping and biting them." The nurse comes into the office with all their bags. 3 police officers pick up one kid each and walked out of the office and placed them in the back of the police car. Two police officers went around to the kid's house and arrested the mum and step-dad. Mitchell and Caleb went the opposite direction to Amy. Later that day the three of the kids were reunited with each other, they were standing in this big room with seats everywhere. The door finally swung opened and two police officers walked in with the mum and step-dad and when the mum saw the kids she cried. The judge walked in and took her place in her big chair and asked the kid "is there anything else we should know?" all three kids looked towards their mum and turned back and the two boys started to cry and everyone else knew something was wrong. The teacher walked in and asked the judge "please can I to say

something." The judge nodded, the teacher opened the records she found and she looked through them and said as she faced the mum and the step-dad "you have 5 kids right? Where are the another 2?" The teacher turned around and looked at Amy and said calmly "Amy do you anything to say?" Amy said scared and fast "mum and step-dad killed them, they were twin girls and 9 months old I saw it with my own eyes." The mum and step-dad were shocked. The judge asked her to say it slower, may terrified and slowly repeated herself "mum and dad killed them, they were 9 months old twin girls I saw it with my own eyes." The judge banged the gravel on the desk and sentenced them "life in prison!" The judge yelled. They were exited by two police officers and the mum was bawling her eyes out and screaming for the kids. The grandparents walked through the door and walked down to where the kids were sitting and walked them to the car and were driving them to their real house to get their clothes, toys and whatever else they needed to live. They jumped back into the car with it loaded with all they belongings and they started headed to the grandparents' house in the city. They finally arrived after 5 hours in the car, they unpacked the car and got settled in the kids were really happy were they staying. About a week later they were a kidnapping and also devastating news. One day around 9:00am, a man in a black hoodie walked into the house with a gun and shot the grandparents dead and walked around the house to search for other people, he walked right into

the playroom and placed duct tape around each of their mouths and one by one he placed them in the back of his ute and drove off. The kids were kicking and screaming and the Ute suddenly came to a stop and the man pulled the kids out by the legs and carried them into this old two story bush house. The man with the kids walked up the path leading to his house, opened the front door and walked up the stairs, placed the kids in this little room and locked the door. The three kids pulled off the duct tape of their mouths. The two little boys were shaking and hugging each other with fear. Amy was kicking and screaming at the door for the guy to let them out. 5 hours later he opens the door and the kids think they are getting let out but instead he slides a plate of mash potato and one bottle of water. Amy yells out "hey don't shut the door and give us better food!" Caleb was so hungry he crawled over to the plate and before he could reach it he face-planted and landed in the mash potato. They heard footsteps coming Caleb got up with mash potato dripping from his face, the door opens he grabs the kids and takes them outside and tells them "if you try and escape there will be big trouble!" he turned around and slammed the door. The two boys ran to the swings and walked slowly to the play set. Amy gets an idea and she runs and jumps the fence, the guy comes after her Amy is running really fast, Amy trips on her shoelace and the man grabs her and runs back to the house and grabs the boys and placed them all back in the room. The boys found a phone in the cupboard but the

battery was dead. Amy has another brilliant idea and tries it out and it failed by the drain pipe breaking but the drain pipe was already broken and was getting held together by duct tape. Amy fell down two stories and lands on sacks of potatoes; Amy gets bruises on her back. The man was going to get a sack of potatoes but instead he found Amy lying on the sacks. He picks her up and storms up to the room and places her in there and locks the door. He goes to cook some mash potato for the kids, the boys were playing a game but I was interested I was thinking who the man behind the hood is. He walks in and places three bowls of mash potato and three bottles of water in front of them, they says "eat up were going on a trip?" Amy quickly says "no were not your lying." Seconds later Mitchell runs past him and down the stairs and I head for his room I found photos I grabbed them and stuffed them into my pocket and walked back to the room seconds later Mitchell and the man come back and the man says " you kids blow your chance of going on this trip." And locks the door behind him. Amy pulled the pictures out and shows them to the boys, Amy reads one of the backs and says aloud "my beautiful children Amy 4, Mitchell 1 and Caleb 24 months old." The man walks in and snatches the pictures of Amy. Amy spoke loudly "who are you?" he replied "your father." He takes off his hoodie all the kids gasp and cry they thought that they dad died but no he was here all along. The kids and the dad were really close that day they were playing out back when they heard something funny Amy

asked "what's that noise?" the dad shrugged and the police pulled up. The kids knew what for.