



A gripping story of a child's journey through hell and back.

Sarah Crichton Books / Farrar, Straus and Giroux | February 15, 2007 | www.fsgbooks.com | [Terms of Use](#) | [Privacy](#)
Site design by [CricketBow Design](#)

There may be as many as 300,000 child soldiers, hopped-up on drugs and wielding AK-47s, in more than fifty conflicts around the world. Ishmael Beah used to be one of them. He is one of the first to tell his story in his own words.

In A LONG WAY GONE, Beah, now twenty-six years old, tells a riveting story. At the age of twelve, he fled attacking rebels and wandered a land rendered unrecognizable by violence. By thirteen, he'd been picked up by the government army, and Beah, at heart a gentle boy, found that he was capable of truly terrible acts. Eventually released by the army and sent to a UNICEF rehabilitation center, he struggled to regain his humanity and to reenter the world of civilians, who viewed him with fear and suspicion. This is, at last, a story of redemption and hope.

Starbucks Featured Book



[Click here to learn more](#)