## Avi biography

Avi is part of a family of writers extending back into the 19th century. Raised in New York City, Avi was educated in local schools, before going to the Midwest and then back to NYC to complete his education. Starting out as a playwright—while working for many years as a librarian—he began writing books for young people when the first of his kids came along.

Among his most popular books are *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*, a Newbery Award recipient; *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*, a Newbery Honor book; *Nothing But the Truth*, a Newbery Honor book; the Poppy books, *Midnight Magic*, and *The Fighting Ground*.

His most recent books are *City of Magic, Loyalty, Ragweed and Poppy, Gold Rush Girl,* and the somewhat autobiographical *Catch You Later, Traitor.* 

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