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BIOGRAPHY

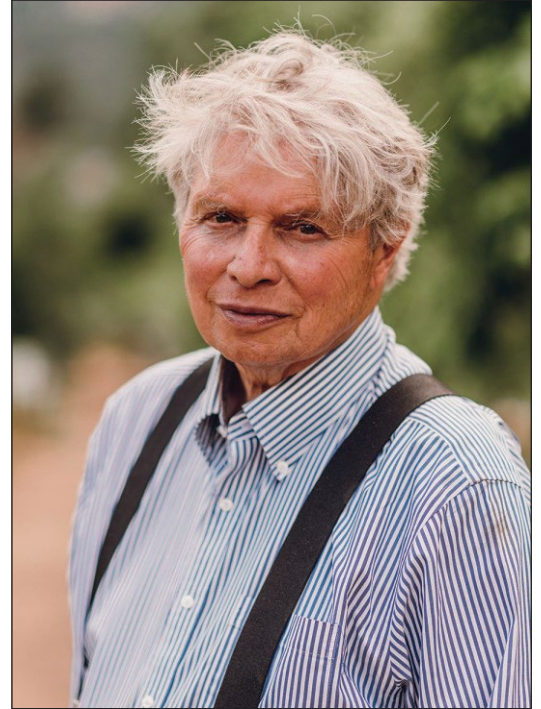
Avi is part of a family of writers extending back into the 19th century. Raised in New York City, Avi was educated in local schools, before going to the Midwest and then back to NYC to complete his education. Starting out as a playwright – while working for many years as a librarian – he began writing 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 *Lost in the Empire City*, *Secret Sisters*, *City of Magic*, *Loyalty*, and the somewhat autobiographical *Catch You Later, Traitor*.

Learn more at avi-writer.com, where you can read his weekly blog, *Word Craft*, which is read out loud in classrooms and writing groups.

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SHORT BIOGRAPHY

Avi is part of a family of writers as far back as the 19th century. With more than 80 books published, he is always in the process of writing or revising one or two books. Winner of many awards, you may have read his 2003 Newbery Medal winner *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*, his Newbery honor *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*, or his Newbery honor *Nothing But the Truth*. Avi's Poppy books are read out loud in many classrooms. He was born and raised in New York City, lived in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, California, and Rhode Island, and now lives in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado.