

Who Was Annie Oakley?

Presents the facts and the fiction about the American icon who made herself famous for her shooting skills.

Recounts the life of the markswoman and performer who achieved fame with Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show.

Highlights the life of Annie Moses, better known as Annie Oakley, the United States' greatest female sharpshooter.

Long before the screen placed the face of Mary Pickford before the eyes of millions of Americans, this girl, born August 13, 1860 as Phoebe Anne Oakley Moses, had won the right to the title of “America’s Sweetheart.” Having grown up learning to shoot game to help support her family, Annie won first prize and met her future husband at a shooting match when she was fifteen years old. He convinced her to change her name to Annie Oakley and became her husband, manager, and number-one fan for the next fifty years. Annie quickly gained worldwide fame as an incredible crack shot, and could amaze audiences at her uncanny accuracy with nearly any rifle or pistol, whether aiming at stationary objects or shooting fast-flying targets from the cockpit of a moving airplane. Despite struggles with her health and even a long, drawn-out legal battle with media magnate William Randolph Hearst, Annie Oakley poured her energy into advocating for the U.S. military, encouraging women to engage in sport shooting, and supporting orphans.

The Trials of Annie Oakley

Young Markswoman

Annie Oakley (Little Sure Shot)

Annie Oakley and Buffalo Bill's Wild West

Act out the story of Annie Oakley, the legendary cowgirl and star of Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, with this engaging Reader's Theater script! With leveled roles, this script allows teachers to apply differentiation and English language learner strategies into instruction, encouraging all students to engage in the activity. All students can participate, gain confidence in their reading fluency, and feel successful, regardless of their reading ability! Students will practice reading aloud, using expressive voices and gestures, and interacting cooperatively by performing this story with their peers. When the story is over, students can also practice fluency with the additional poem and catchy song. This colorful, leveled script connects to popular children's literature in an engaging way, making reading and rereading an enjoyable activity. This script is the perfect tool to get all students to participate and enjoy practicing fluency.

It's 1887, and Annie and Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show are invited to Queen Victoria's Jubilee celebration in London, England. But their long journey across the Atlantic takes a turn for the worst when the queen's royal servant ends up dead and Annie's husband, Frank Butler, falls suspiciously ill. Annie soon discovers that the two events are connected—and may possibly be precursors to an assassination attempt on the queen. In London, it becomes clear there is rampant unrest in the queen's kingdom—the Irish Fenian Brotherhood, as well as embittered English subjects, are teeming in the streets. But amid the chaos, even while she prepares for the show, Annie is determined to find the truth. With the help of a friend and reporter, Emma Wilson, the renowned poet Oscar Wilde, and the famous socialite Lillie Langtry, Annie sets out to hunt down the queen's enemies—and find out why they want to kill England's most beloved monarch.

Profiles Phoebe Ann Moses, the star sharpshooter of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show under the name Annie Oakley, who began shooting to help feed her family after her father's death.

Wonderful behind-the-scenes look at the life and career of Annie Oakley. More than 100 rare photographs, posters, handbills, and other memorabilia chronicle her life, especially her 17 years touring with Buffalo Bill.

The Amazing Life and Times of Annie Oakley

The Life and Legacy of Annie Oakley

An Annie Oakley Mystery

The Life and Times of Annie Oakley

Annie Oakley had a difficult childhood. Her father died when she was six, so she had to live with other people, including a family who threw her out of the house in the middle of a snowstorm. But Annie persevered. She found she had a natural gift for shooting, and she used her gift to defeat a traveling marksman named Frank Butler. Soon they were married and partners in shooting exhibitions. When Annie joined Buffalo Bill s Wild West Show, she became one of its most famous acts. People were amazed at her shooting. Annie was proud of her accomplishments. She knew that many women looked up to her. She always set a good example for them, teaching them to aim high.

This book shines the spotlight on sharpshooter Annie Oakley with detailed sidebars, handy vocabulary, and a visual timeline.

*** Entertaining & easy-to-read introductions to the life stories of men & women who have helped shape American history * Attractively illustrated with full-color drawings**

“Nothing more simple, I assure you. . . . But I'll tell you what. You must have your mind, your nerve, and everything in harmony. Don't look at your gun, simply follow the object with the end of it, as if the tip of the barrel was the point of your finger.”—Annie Oakley
Annie Oakley is a legend: America’s greatest female sharpshooter, a woman who triumphed in the masculine world of road shows and firearms. Despite her great fame, the popular image of Annie Oakley is far from true. She was neither a swaggering western gal nor a sweet “little girl.” Annie Oakley was a competitive and resolute woman who wanted to be the best and succeeded. In this comprehensive biography Shirl Kasper sets the record straight, giving us an accurate, honest, and compelling portrait of the woman known as “Little Sure Shot.” Born Phoebe Ann Moses in Ohio in 1860, Annie took her first shot at age eight—“one of the best shots I ever made,” Annie later said. It was the start of her lifelong fascination with shooting. Early local acclaim led to a contest with Frank Butler, a professional sharpshooter. Annie won—and Frank fell in love with her. Annie and Frank (who eventually gave up his own act to be Annie's manager) were wed not long after and remained married for forty-two years, until their deaths in 1926 just days apart. Annie’s sharpshooting career began while on the road with Frank’s show, but she rose to fame in her seventeen years with Buffalo Bill’s Wild West. Her speed, agility, uncanny precision, and charm soon made Annie world famous. Shooting was her passion; apart from her career with the Wild West, Annie hunted, shot trap, entered many shooting contests, performed for World War I troops, and, in her retirement years, taught thousands of women how to shoot. Annie Oakley provides a vivid and unforgettable portrait of this American original: a prim and proper woman, conservative in her views, hardworking and frugal, whose greatest source of pride was to be accepted as “a lady.” Significant events are documented here for the first time: Annie’s decision to join the struggling Wild West show; her meeting with Sitting Bull; the nature of her feud with Lillian Smith, another Wild West markswoman; and the real reason that Annie’s hair suddenly turned white when she was only forty-one. Thoroughly researched, fully annotated, and entirely unsentimental, this volume is the most complete and accurate record of Annie Oakley's life and achievements.

Peccadillo at the Palace

Missie

Who's That Girl With the Gun?

The Shooting Star

"One of the freshest, most memorable story collections of my lifetime. And 'A Good Man,' one of the most important. Rarer than the newness, the wit, the vivid readability, is the deep caring understanding, the wholeness, the truth which this astonishing, haunting writer creates her people. 'A Good Man' will be a revelation, an epiphany to many a reader."—Tillie Olsen

The sixteenth novel in the magical alternate history Elemental Masters series follows sharpshooter Annie Oakley as she tours Europe and discovers untapped powers. Annie Oakley has always suspected there is something "uncanny" about herself, but has never been able to put a name to it. But when Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show goes on tour through Germany, Bill temporarily hires a new sharpshooter to be part of his "World Wide Congress of Rough Riders": a woman named Giselle, who also happens to be an Elemental Master of Air. Alongside this new performer, Annie discovers that she and her husband, Frank, are not simply master marksman, but also magicians of rare ability. As they travel and perform, Annie must use her newfound knowledge and rare skill to combat creatures of the night scattered across the countryside, who threaten both the performers and the locals. Annie's got her gun, and it's filled with silver bullets.

Presents a biography of the famous sharpshooter, discussing her childhood, her success as a performer, and her relationships with such folk heroes of the day as Buffalo Bill and Sitting Bull.

A fictionalized account, told as if by Will Rogers, of the life of the female sharpshooter who became famous starring in Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show.

Woman at Arms

Annie Oakley in Double Trouble

Annie Oakley of the Wild West

Annie Oakley: The Woman Who Never Missed a Shot

Born Phoebe Ann Mosey on August 13, 1860, on the rural western border of Ohio, Annie Oakley began hunting at age 9 to support her siblings and widowed mother. She became so skilled at selling the hunted game that she was able to pay off the mortgage to her mother's farm when she was 15. In 1885, she joined Buffalo Bill's Wild West show where she became one of the top acts, along with Sitting Bull. In fact, she even traveled to Europe and performed for Queen Victoria and other crowned heads of state. At the request of the Prince of Prussia, she shot the ashes off a cigarette. Adventurous and brave, Oakley offered her services and 50 lady sharpshooters to President William McKinley during the Spanish-American War, but her offer was not accepted. She continued to show courage, suing and winning a libel case against newspaper magnate William Randolph Hearst after he published a false story about her. In her 60s, Oakley supported women's rights and other causes and continued to set shooting records until a year before her death in 1926. In Annie Oakley, read about this remarkable woman whose sharpshooting skills and quick wit won her many fans and admirers.

Annie Oakley showed audiences from around the world that she could shoot almost anything. She was one of the most respected and talented sharpshooters in history. Learn more in Annie Oakley, one of the titles in the Folk Heroes series

With a widowed mother and six siblings, Annie Oakley first became a trapper, hunter, and sharpshooter simply to put food on the table. Yet her genius with the gun eventually led to her stardom in Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show during the latter half of the nineteenth century. The archetypal western woman, Annie Oakley urged women to take up shooting to procure food, protect themselves, and enjoy healthy exercise, yet she was also the proper Victorian lady, demurely dressed and skeptical about the value of women’s suffrage. Glenda Riley presents the first interpretive biography of the complex woman who was Annie Oakley.

Introduces the life of Phoebe Ann Moses, later known as Annie Oakley, who began shooting game after her father's death to feed her family and became the star sharpshooter of Buffalo Bill's Wild West show.

The Silver Bullets of Annie Oakley

Legendary Sharpshooter

Who Was Annie Oakley?

A Story of Annie Oakley

From the early 1800s to the end of his life in 1917, Buffalo Bill Cody was as famous as anyone could be. Annie Oakley was his most celebrated protégé e, the 'slip of a girl' from Ohio who could (and did) outshoot anybody to become the most celebrated star of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show. In this sweeping dual biography, Larry McMurtry explores the lives, the legends and above all the truth about two larger-than-life American figures. With his Wild West show, Buffalo Bill helped invent the image of the West that still exists today -- cowboys and Indians, rodeo, rough rides, sheriffs and outlaws, trick shooting, Stetsons, and buckskin. The short, slight Annie Oakley -- born Phoebe Ann Moses -- spent sixteen years with Buffalo Bill's Wild West, where she entertained Queen Victoria, Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria and Kaiser Wilhelm II, among others. Beloved by all who knew her, including Hunkpapa leader, Sitting Bull, Oakley became a legend in her own right and after her death, achieved a new lease of fame in Irving Berlin's musical Annie, Get Your Gun. To each other, they were always 'Missie' and 'Colonel'. To the rest of the world, they were cultural icons, setting the path for all that followed. Larry McMurtry -- a writer who understands the West better than any other -- recreates their astonishing careers and curious friendship in a fascinating history that reads like the very best of his fiction. You want girl power? Meet Annie Oakley! Born in 1860, she became one of the best-loved and most famous women of her generation. She amazed audiences all over the world with her sharpshooting, horse-riding, action-packed performances. In an age when most women stayed home, she traveled the world and forged a new image for American women. Biography of the famous sharpshooter.

Fifteen-year-old Annie Oakley is the sole supporter of her widowed mother and two siblings. An expert markswoman and independent spirit, she hunts game to sell to the local mercantile to make ends meet instead of accepting a marriage proposal that could solve all her problems. After a stunning performance in a shooting contest against the handsome and famous sharpshooter Frank Butler, Annie is offered a position in the renowned Buffalo Bill ' s Wild West Show. Finally, she has a chance to save the nearly foreclosed family farm and make her dreams come true. But then her Indian assistant is found dead in her tent, and Annie is dubious when the local coroner claims the death was due to natural causes. When another innocent is murdered, Annie begins to fear the deaths are related to her. And to make matters worse, her prized horse, Buck, a major part of her act, is stolen. Annie soon discovers that the solution to her problems lies buried in a padlocked Civil War trunk belonging to the show ' s manager, Derence LeFleur. And so, with the help of a sassy, blue-blooded reporter, Annie sets out to find her horse, solve the murders, and clear her name.

The Secret Annie Oakley

Wild West Sharpshooter

An Elemental Masters Novel

The Colonel and Little Missie

A survivor who refused to give up. The Amazing Life and Times of Annie Oakley. "Aim at a high mark and you will hit it" is the motto the legendary sharpshooter and star of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, Annie Oakley, lived by. How did a young girl growing up on a hardscrabble Ohio farm become a legend in her own time? Based on her own writings and illustrated with hauntingly expressive oil paintings by one of America's foremost illustrators, this dramatic picture-book biography offers a fascinating glimpse into the life of a courageous young girl who went on to break barriers in the field of sports, becoming recognized by Will Rogers and others as "the greatest woman rifle shot the world has ever produced."

The childhood adventures of the little girls who loved to shoot and who grew up to be the most famous woman sharpshooter in the world and star of the Buffalo Bil's Wild West Show.

Focuses on the childhood of the famous American sharpshooter.

Describes the life and accomplishments of the woman whose natural talent for shooting led her to become the star of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show.

Buffalo Bill, Annie Oakley, and the Beginnings of

Bulls-eye

Little Annie Oakley & Other Rugged People

Girl with a Gun

Profiles the life and legends related to the sharpshooter known as Annie Oakley.

Traces the life of the Ohio sharpshooter, describes her career in wild west shows and on the stage, and offers profiles of the Indians, riders, and performers with whom she worked

Annie Oakley was world-famous when traveling with Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, but audiences only saw the attractive, athletic sharpshooter who performed astonishing feats of marksmanship. Annie's own niece wrote this biography, showing how a difficult childhood

motivated Annie to work hard and use her skills to entertain thousands of people while helping those she could (particularly orphans). She had strong connections to her family and hometown, but never felt able to settle down after living so many years on the road. This is

a very personal account of a remarkable woman who amazed crowds wherever she went.

The acclaimed historical novel based on the life of the legendry Sharp Shooter: A Readers Digest Condensed Book Selection.

The Rifle Queen, Annie Oakley, of Wild West Exhibition. Life, Feats, Etc

Shooting For The Moon

Annie Oakley, Little Sure Shot

Annie Oakley's Girl

Annie Oakley, was an American sharpshooter who became an international star performing for heads of state and royalty. This book is an introduction to the life Annie Oakley whose perfection in her sport inspired Broadway plays, musicals, and songs. Her story is considered a folktale, or legend, which is a story passed on by word-of-mouth through generations, organically changing each time it is told. This exiting volume contains original artwork, historical context of the story, recounts the folktale from diverse cultures, and defines words unique to her legend.

Annie Oakley was a real woman who became a legend through her extraordinary life and skills. She was crack shot with a rifle and became a star attraction of Buffalo Bill ' s Wild West Show. She also became a symbol of Americans ' indomitable spirit and the thirst for adventure and opportunity that drove people to expand westward into unknown territory.

*Includes pictures of Annie and important people in her life. *Discusses Annie's performances and encounters with legends like Buffalo Bill Cody, Sitting Bull, and Queen Victoria. *Includes some of Annie's most colorful quotes. *Includes a Bibliography for further reading. *Aim at the high mark and you will hit it. No, not the first time, not the second time and maybe not the third. But keep on aiming and keep on shooting for only practice will make you perfect. Finally you'll hit the bull's-eye of success." - Annie Oakley A lot of ink has been spilled covering the lives of history's most influential figures, but how much of the forest is lost for the trees? In Charles River Editors' American Legends series, readers can get caught up to speed on the lives of America's most important men and women in the time it takes to finish a commute, while learning interesting facts long forgotten or never known. The Wild West made legends out of many men who came to be identified with the unforgiving nature and spirit of the frontier. Men like Wyatt Earp have long been celebrated for their toughness, swagger, and fearless courage. So it's no surprise that the few women who could match the men in toughness and gunplay have also become legends of the West. There was little about the childhood of Phoebe Ann Mosey that indicated that she would grow up to become Annie Oakley, one of the best sharpshooters the world has ever seen and an icon of the West. Her parents, Jacob and Susan, were Quakers who migrated from Pennsylvania to Darke County, Ohio after a fire destroyed their inn and their livelihood. Their daughter, who would become a national celebrity in her own life for "The Little Sure Shot of the West", learned her gun skills out of necessity, using them to hunt for food around the Cincinnati area thousands of miles away from the dusty towns, saloons and shootouts that have become symbols the Wild West. However, Annie would make her own mark by hitting so many marks back east, and by 18 she had made a name for herself by besting other sharpshooters, including Frank Butler, who performed a traveling act and became smitten by the young teen who beat him. Annie and Frank would marry when she was 16, and they continued to perform together until becoming part of Buffalo Bill's famous show, where Annie became acquainted with other legends like Sitting Bull. Annie would perform off and on for Buffalo Bill's show, but she also took her exploits to Europe and even the burgeoning film industry, performing "The Little Sure Shot of the West" for Thomas Edison's brand new kinetoscope, which could make a film. She also met dignitaries like Queen Victoria and Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany. Annie only became more famous with age, continuing with her skillful performances into her 60s despite a debilitating injury suffered in a car crash, before declining health led to her death at the age of 66 in 1926. By the time she had died, Annie had become so well known for her marksmanship that other important aspects of her life were largely overlooked, including her philanthropy and her training and encouragement of women. American Legends: The Life of Annie Oakley chronicles all the aspects of the famous female sharpshooter's life. Along with pictures of important people, places, and events in her life, you will learn about Annie like you never have before, in no time at all.

List of Matches, Scores, &c., and Press Opinions of London, America, and France

Annie Oakley

A Photobiography of Annie Oakley

American Legends: the Life of Annie Oakley