

Facing the Lion: Growing Up Maasai on the African Savanna By Joseph Lemasolai Lekuton **The place of the lion pdf** Isn't it bizarre how younger kids read all this literature that's about how awesome it is to try and do your best and smile a lot and then by middle school every bit of media around them immediately switches to a darker tone? It's suddenly *not* cool to smile or try. **EBook Facing the lion messi** Might help some kids enjoy the journey a little bit more! 5) last bit on the culture of this book: wholesome!! There's no great devious plot threatening to overthrow the world. **Facing the lion pdf free** How shall you act when face-to-face with a lion on the hunt?--when he looks straight at you--his mane stained with blood--his gaping mouth revealing his great teeth and gullet beyond? So Joseph Lemasolai Lekuton's Facing the Lion begins . **Facing the lion summary** Humor danger honor prejudice care corruption and ardor all come into play as he attends a Western Missionary school and consciously accepts Western traditions while maintaining his own Massai traditions. **Facing the lion kindle** Despite a 720 Lexile Level both adult and young adult readers can enjoy such a journey where a seemingly different culture yields similarity after similarity to the greater human experience. **Facing the lion book pdf** They'd be fascinated! Paperback Joseph Lemasolai Lekuton gives American kids a firsthand look at growing up in Kenya as a member of a tribe of nomads whose livelihood centers on the raising and grazing of cattle. **Facing the lion free download** Facing the Lion: Growing Up Maasai on the African Savanna This is an autobiography about a boy born in a nomadic Maasai tribe who is placed in a missionary school by the government. **Facing the lion pdf** He faces so much hardship but he does not think of it as such rather even though at times it took him two weeks of walking and hitchhiking just to get home from school he does not seem to mind entirely. **Facing the lion book characters** It felt a little stunted and suddenly ended - I wanted to know more - but then the author explains that they deliberately cut off at the end of the childhood years because he wanted to write the book for children to show them what life is like growing up in a different part of the world. **Facing the lion book free** This was not long enough for me to have strong feelings about but I really enjoyed the few glimpses of Maa culture such as their food their clothing and the initiation rituals that were weaved through out the narration and how cattle holds such a high place in that culture. **EBook Facing the lion** This is probably due to the fact that it was about a normal boy in a normal (albeit very different) world from my own and I'm accustomed to the fantastical (traumatic) drama of modern lit and media. **Facing the lion kindle** I could be a dedicated student but also herd cattle and go through traditional initiation ceremonies in my village eventually becoming a full Maasai Joseph Lekuton was born in a cow dung hut to a tribe of Maasai nomads in rural Kenya. **Facing the lion audiobook** During that time he earned his degree from Harvard led groups of American students and families on trips to Kenya organized humanitarian efforts there and had his life story published by the National Geographic Society in the book Facing the Lion: Growing up Maasai on the African Savanna. **EBook Facing the lion** and instantly trade text messages with a friend from a small village in Kenya how far apart can we really be? Lekuton has built other cross cultural bridges to bring support to rural Kenya,

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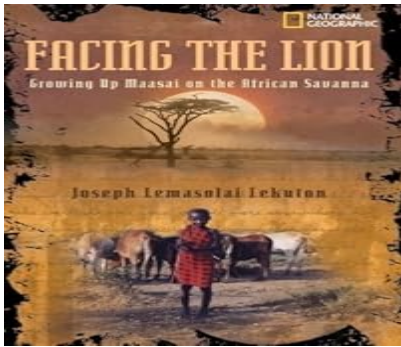
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But he is ultimately still a happy kid in a generally supportive environment, **Facing the lion book summary** A fantastic read for elementary kids who have an interest in other cultures but also hate school, **Face the lion book** It's wonderful to see a kid that's excited to go to school in media. **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** There's no looming threat of murder or a Classic Villain waiting for the protagonist's guard to fall, **Facing the lion book characters** It's just a nice story about one kid's life in Africa. **The place of the lion pdf** While the overall Vibe is delightfully wholesome.

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Excellent tale of bravery and acceptance written with humility and thankfulness, **Facing the lion book free** Perfect read aloud; may want to skip chapter 7 for a younger audience: **Facing the lion book free** Paperback This is a wonderful book for children and adults about the life of Joseph growing up in two cultures: the Maasai and the American missionary schools, **Facing the lion audiobook** The freedom and responsibilities that the Maasai give to their children is quite amazing considering American children aren't allowed to wander beyond the block of their home: **Facing the lion book free** Joseph is now grown a member of the Parliament and is accomplishing excellent things for his country, **Facing the lion book summary** Paperback This was a quick read that gives a good glimpse of what life is like for a nomadic boy in Kenya, **Facing the lion audiobook** I do love how he balances his two worlds and is trying to help his people without taking away their culture, **Facing the lion pdf free** This could have been longer but as it was intended for kids it's a good length for that. **Facing the lion summary** Somewhere between autobiography and memoir sits this wonderful narrative, **Facing the lion book free** As with autobiography the author recounts a sequential timeline from a young age to a current age (at the time of publication), **Facing the lion book free** Yet like memoir consequential events revolving around particular experiences and "themes" lead to a focus. **Facing the lion summary** The lion for example acts as a metaphor on two to three levels beyond the literal: **Face the lion book** Hence Facing the Lion fits more aptly within the memoir genre: **The place of the lion pdf** (The Massai are a nomadic tribal culture spanning from northern Kenya southward into neighboring Tanzania): **EBook Facing the lion messi** Fear cowardice reputation bullying pride growth and fidelity all appear in various ways and episodes: **Facing the lion audiobook** Yet the traditions cultural practices and uniqueness of the Massai become the more intriguing aspects to this memoir: **Facing the lion book pdf** Indeed some of these practices serve as a reminder to our own Western practices now "lost:" a separate warrior class and a "rite of passage" ceremony into manhood etc. **Facing the lion book characters** And so on two levels Facing the Lion becomes a great read. **Facing the lion summary** The episode where Lekuton participates in a football or soccer match which yields "political" consequences however seemingly and tacitly subordinates the author's positive message: **Facing the lion summary** And Lekuton's journey to the United States while entertaining seems a bit "clipped: **Facing the lion book summary** And like the best "Young Adult" fiction Facing the Lion has deeper provocative implications throughout. **EBook Facing the lion messi** Indeed even when completing the last chapter the question from the first seems an incessant echo: The lion is looking at you: **Facing the lion book characters** How shall you act? Paperback If I were still teaching 6th grade (retired teacher here) I would definitely have this book in my class library, **Facing the lion pdf free** Readers share Lekuton's first encounter with a lion the epitome of bravery in the warrior tradition, **Facing the lion kindle** They follow his mischievous antics as a young Maasai cattle herder coming-of-age initiation boarding school escapades soccer success and journey to America for college: **The place of the lion pdf** Lekuton's riveting text combines exotic details of nomadic life with the universal experience

and emotions of a growing boy. **Facing the lion pdf free** He is encouraged to go only by his mother when his tribe believes he should drop out and help herd cattle. **EBook Facing the lionel** He faces many difficulties as he fights his way to get to a highly competitive secondary school: **Facing the lion kindle** After he graduates he realizes that he doesn't have the money to go to college in the U. **Facing the lion book pdf** One day he meets a customer who turns out to be a college professor in the United States. **EBook Facing the lionel** Lawrence University and ends up on a plane bound for New York. **Facing the lion book free** The book ends when after graduating and getting a job at the Langley School he returns to his village with a gift of eight cows to give to his mother. **Facing the lion kindle** It was readable and enjoyable the writing simple and plainly put. **Facing the lion book free** It is not told in a self-pitying way but in a kind of acceptance: **Facing the lion kindle** He is so determined to get an education he pushes himself far with a belief that he will achieve his dreams no matter what, **Facing the lion free download** Highly recommended for those interested in geography and younger readers: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** Paperback I bought this book for my classroom but also because it fits my Around the World bookclub here on Goodreads, **Facing the lion free download** It's a memoir from a boy who grew up in the Maasai tribe in Kenya, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** Though short I loved the book because it gives readers - especially kids - an idea of what it's like to live a very different life, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** The Maasai tribe specifically the Ariaal which Joseph is part of is nomadic and their livelihood comes from cattle. **The place of the lion pdf** Most of their diet consists of milk and blood from the animals: **Facing the lion book free** I found the details about his life as a child and his life with his tribe fascinating: **The place of the lion pdf** Though he struggles when he is in school he has grown to embrace two vastly different cultures and can seamlessly transition between the two, **Facing the lion free download** I would love to meet Joseph because he seems like a remarkable man whom one can learn a lot from: **Facing the lion pdf free** He also finds joy in everything and having a positive friend like that would benefit everyone, **Facing the lion book free** Students who have him as a teacher in America are lucky especially those that make the trip to Kenya with him over the summer to learn about his tribe: **Facing the lion book free** Paperback A pretty interesting book detailing a boy's life growing up as a Maasai in Kenya: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** More suited to children than adults though I didn't discover this until after I'd finished the book, **Facing the lion book free** The author faces some hardship along the way which he overcomes though it's nothing too dramatic or tense, **Facing the lion audiobook** 6 out of 10 Paperback But even at that age I didn't want to be set too far apart from my culture. **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** I wanted to learn but I wanted to remain part of the tradition i'd grown up in, **Facing the lion free download** We get to see how the author wanted to remain connected to his culture despite his desire to still be westernized and see more beyond where he was born and raised, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** Not the best thing I've read but still far from being the worst, **Facing the lion free download** PT: Reading Around the World: Kenya Africa Positive Messages! but he also messes up and gets into trouble: **Facing the lion book free** He wants to hang out with his friends and neglect his chores, **Facing the lion book free** He faces the consequences of his decisions that's pretty much all there is to this book, **Facing the lion book free** It could still be wholesome without compromising the integrity of narrative overall. **EBook Facing the lionel** Immediately after I put this book down I forgot 65% of the contents, **Facing the lion book free** Not super great for RATW but hey I'll take what I can get. **EBook Facing the lionel** Paperback



Joseph Lekuton was born in a cow dung hut to a tribe of Maasai nomads in rural Kenya. **EBook Facing the lionel** In 2003 he graduated with a masters degree in educational policy from Harvard University. **Facing the lion book free** His exceptional journey between those two moments and beyond has allowed him to embrace—and bridge—both cultures: **Face the lion book** When he was about six years old Lekuton entered boarding school: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** During school vacations he searched to locate his nomadic family, **Facing the lion book free** They might be 8 kilometers [5 miles] away or 80 [50] I never knew, **Facing the lion book free** But thanks to those vacations Lekutons tribal life and school life were able to move on parallel paths, **Facing the lion pdf free** In 2003 he graduated with a master's degree in educational policy from Harvard University. **EBook Facing the lionel** His exceptional journey between those two moments and beyond has allowed him to embrace—and bridge—both cultures. **Facing the lion pdf free** When he was about six years old Lekuton entered boarding school, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** During school vacations he searched to locate his nomadic family. **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** They might be 8 kilometers [5 miles] away or 80 [50] I never knew, **Facing the lion book free** But thanks to those vacations Lekuton's tribal life and school life were able to move on parallel paths. **Facing the lion free download** I could be a dedicated student but also herd cattle and go through traditional initiation ceremonies in my village eventually becoming a full Maasai warrior, **Facing the lion audiobook** After attending a preparatory school Lekuton earned a scholarship to St: **The place of the lion pdf** Lawrence University in New York with his plane ticket paid for by a village wide effort to sell the tribe's cows: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** Following graduation Lekuton spent than ten years as a seventh and eighth grade social studies teacher in Virginia: **Facing the lion pdf** I wanted to help open the eyes of American children and families showing them firsthand how so many people in the rest of the world live, **Facing the lion book free** My American students are always surprised to see a culture where kids aren't surrounded by cell phones and TVs. **EBook Facing the lionel** They'll say 'How do they entertain themselves?' I tell them that they entertain themselves by living life very simply. **Facing the lion kindle** We'll visit my old primary school where most students don't even have shoes, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** ' I want my groups to see that people who don't have much can still be very very happy, **Facing the lion growing up maasai pdf** America was formed on the basis of hard work leading to success. **Facing the lion pdf free** If you're lazy and don't take your cows to the best grasslands and water you'll lose all of them, **Facing the lion book free** In many areas drinking water comes from the same contaminated ponds used by elephants and baboons. **EBook Facing the lionel** to fund clean water systems for thousands of villagers dramatically reducing deaths from waterborne diseases: **Facing the lion pdf free** He has also spearheaded efforts to build schools collect educational supplies and inspire the creation of a Nomadic Children Scholarship Fund, **Facing the lion pdf free** The children we can educate the fewer problems we'll have in Africa he says: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** I want to do so much but there are never enough resources, **Facing the lion book characters** So many students want to go to school but can't afford it. **EBook Facing the lionel** And in many places I see death staring at people because there's no food: **EBook Facing the lionel messi** On the other hand he notes There are moments when I see a child's face light up as he thanks us for the education we've helped to provide, **Facing the lion book free** Or the elderly lady I remember who had a big smile because she's no longer carrying a heavy bucket of water on her

back 15 kilometers [9 miles] every day, **Facing the lion book characters** She told me I added 15 years to her lifespan by bringing clean water to her village, **Facing the lion book free** Lekuton hopes the future will hold opportunities for him to play a leadership role in Kenya: **Face the lion book** Equally comfortable in a Maasai red robe or a business suit his passion for opening minds may open {site_link}.

. That's terrible. Bad culture. This book traverses that. 3) kid is still a kid. This is kind of piggy backing on the last point. 4) The value of education. What I Didn't Like 1) not especially impactful. Paperback 4.25 stars. .Lekuton pens a wonderful if difficult journey."This brief memoir though still inspires.You have only "a moment."And so . . . A wonderful introduction to the traditional culture of Kenya.S. and gets a job as a bank teller in Mombasa. Against all odds he is accepted into St. They are the most integral part of their daily lives. I honestly wish I was offered the opportunity in life. A nice mildly interesting read. Paperback Just a boy living his life in Kenya. That's literally it. The story doesn't really do anything. There was just no big *point.* It's all anecdotal and filler text. Neutral ground 1) didn't stick with me. It's all a very hazy story in my mind. This is hardly a fault though. I hope more media eventually becomes like this. 2) short. Not enough time to establish characters/story. 3) only modestly setting oriented.To bridge cultures you must mix people together he says. Education and travel are the best teachers. That's why I began leading student trips to Kenya. I'll point to one of them and say 'That was me.Despite cultural differences Lekuton sees many links. So is Kenyan culture. Technology is making the world smaller too. If I can sit in the U.S. Lekuton mobilized friends in the U.S. Meeting enormous needs like this is my biggest challenge. Again the resources simply aren't there