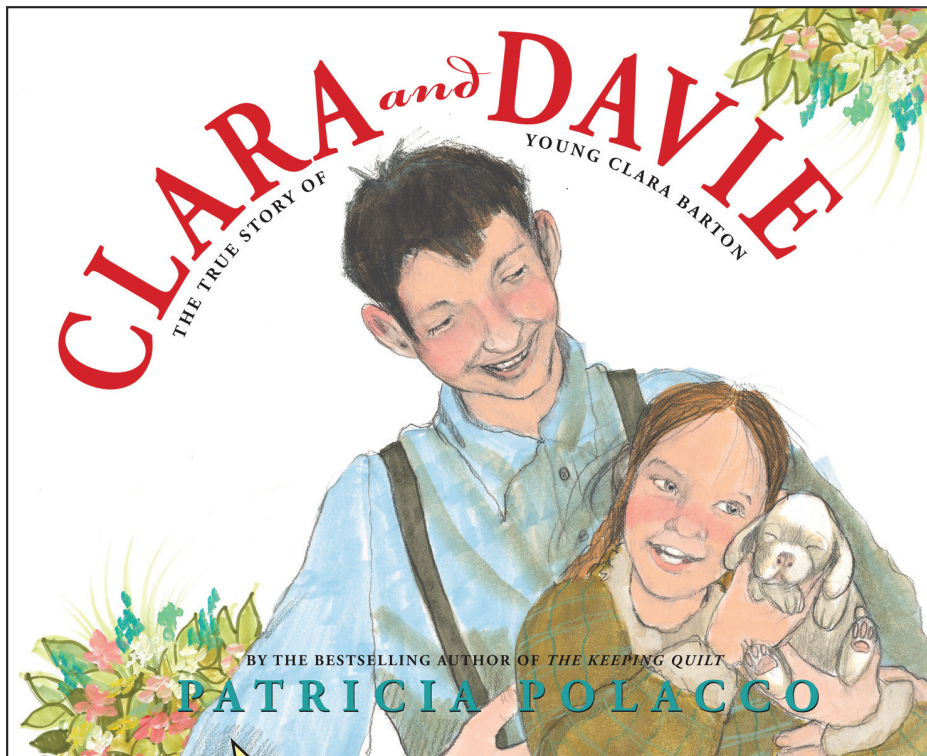




# Book Talk

Books We Love This Month



**“I love this book because I know many children who can relate to being teased, and Clara is a great inspiration.”**

**— Keri-Anne**

## Clara and Davie

*By Patricia Polacco*

Clara Barton is the founder of the American Red Cross, but few people know about her childhood and her struggles. Clara grew up speaking with a lisp and was often teased or punished for not speaking correctly. Clara found solace in the world of flowers and animals, and had a protector and companion in her older brother, Davie. When Davie falls from the roof of a barn, it's Clara's turn to take care of her brother, nursing him back to health and helping him to walk again when the doctors thought it wasn't possible. From this point on, Clara was driven to help others such as the soldiers in the American Civil War. Patricia Polacco, a relative of Clara Barton, tells an endearing story with wonderful, soft, and detailed illustrations.

**Ages 3-6**

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