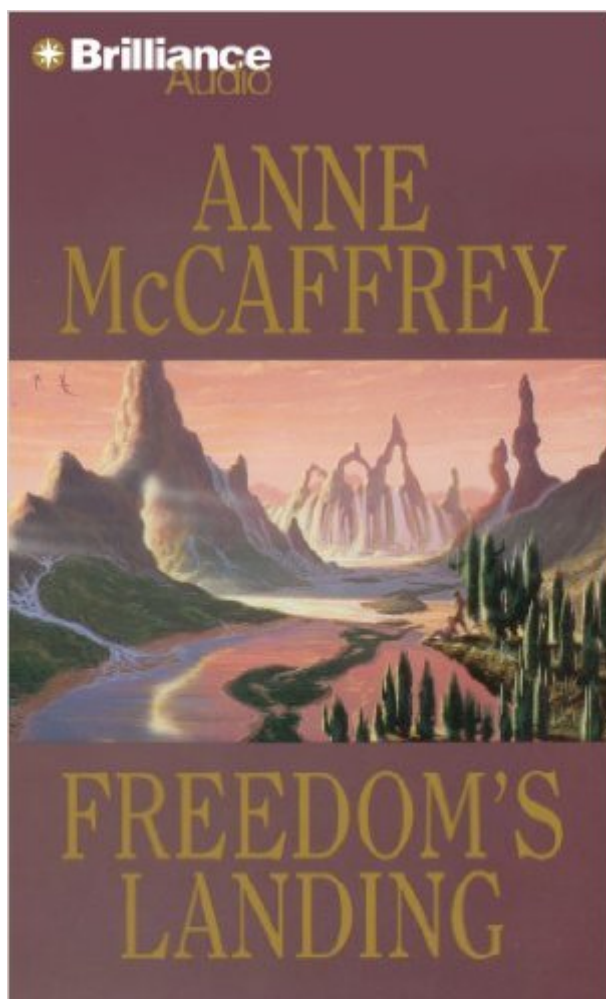


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Synopsis

It's the dawning of a new age for mankind when the Catteni descend to Earth and easily overcome the Earth's population. Thousands are herded onto slave ships headed for the intergalactic auction block. Kris Bjornsen is captured in Denver on her way to her college classes and wakes up on the primitive planet Barevi. Courageous and resourceful, she manages a single-woman escape from the Catteni and is living in the wilds of the planet when she comes to the aid of a Catteni soldier pursued by his own ranks. Recaptured together, they join forces with other slaves to outwit their captors and a hostile planetary environment. Listeners will delight in this "against-the-odds" story of survival, ingenuity and romance. As her audience has come to expect of McCaffrey, she delivers a rich and intricate science fiction adventure in "Freedom's Landing", sure to win over even more listeners and add to her legions of fans.

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I was hooked on the series as soon as I got started with the first book. Although skeptical of the content, being a Dragonriders fan, I also liked her Acorna series, so tried this one. The issues addressed here are touchy - Anne is moving into much more aggressive explorations of social problems and cultural values than in Dragonriders or her stand-alone works. I think this is appropriate for teens and up, not younger kids, who may be unable to process the broader concepts, or just be scared by the content. World invasion and domination are scary. Add slavery

and sexual exploitation. None of this was in the Pern series, so don't expect the same easy ride. For example, the Zainal - Chris romance confronts us with racial taboos. Catteni are grey-skinned with yellow eyes, and bigger than average humans. Chris is a Scandinavian-type blonde woman. Then we are confronted with the realities of how people of different social or racial groups are treated as slaves. Slavery has persisted in human culture and touches a nerve in many of us, not just Blacks or exploited women. Anne pushes the issue by turning it into a "what-if". What if our whole species were treated as slaves? What if slavery were inter-galactic? Do the same mores apply? Chuck and the para-military people become leaders on Botany, organizing others to be able to survive. This naturally happens in a crisis - the tough guy becomes "tribal" leader. Chuck is a realistic human, with doubts and fears, but sound thinking. He listens to Chris plead to spare Zainal's life at the landing, because he knows information they can use. Later, she grows to care for the big Catteni, never realizing how important he would be to them later, as an elite son of the Emassi caste.

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