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a novel by Libby Koponen

## Blow Out the Moon

"Libby, an engaging and feisty girl, moves from New York to London with her parents and three younger siblings. Her first school in London is a less-than-positive experience–the children tease her, and even the teacher is unkind. But things look up when she is sent to Sibton Park, a boarding school in the countryside.... Koponen is a gifted writer ..." – *School Library Journal* 

"Soon the words on the page disappear and you are there with her.... Libby's voice shines through, honest and authentic.... At heart this is a moving portrait of growing up, formative moments, and lessons learned. Highly recommended." – *Education Oasis* 

\* "The word 'delightful' is over-used in reviews, but it's hard to find one that's more appropriate...." – *Booklist* (starred review)

"Libby's joyous times at Sibton Park make you laugh out loud." – Emily Simons (grade 8), *Just Books* 

"Her experiences are documented in a fictionalized fashion that is entirely refreshing!" *Children's Literature* 

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