

The Two Captains

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About the book

- Novel
- Russian language
- Written between 1938-1944
- USSR State Prize

Plot summary

- At the center of the story is Sanya Grigoriev's search for the lost Arctic expedition of Captain Ivan Tatarinov and the discovery of Severnaya Zemlya
- Sanya, 8, finds a bag full of letters after a postman drowns
- Sanya first hears of the lost Arctic expedition that will become the meaning of his life

Characters

- Sanya – main character
- Katya – girlfriend
- Petya - best friend of Sanya
- Romashov – cunning, sneaky man, misleading everyone
- Nikolaj Tatarinov – dishonest man, was guilty in failure of the expedition

Main idea

«To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield»

or its Russian translation

«Бороться и искать, найти и не сдаваться»