

The Broken Thread by Linda Smith.

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It was a time still ruled by wonder and magic. It was a time where on the Isle of Weaving the fate of the world was being woven on a giant tapestry. Ever since she was a child Alina has known that her destiny was to be one of the women who wove the great tapestry. Every day she wished for the day she would go to the island to fulfill her heart's desire. Then one day her wish comes true. Two women for the Isle of Weaving come to the small cottage owned by her family and ask the question "Is there one here willing to serve on the Isle of Weaving?" Alina answered, "I am willing." They sail on the evening tide to the Isle of Weaving and to Alina's destiny. Alina is very disappointed after a few weeks on the Island. She thought she would be one of the weavers of the magical tapestry, but instead she discovers it takes years and years of practice to achieve this very important task. Instead she must do menial jobs. She is very bored and very homesick. One day is allowed to go into the Hall of Weaving. She sees the beautiful tapestry.

Read page 16 "It hung from ceiling to floor"..... To "Alina wanted to cry."
Read page 17 "There were so many threads"..... To "by the wind"

Alina has done something unthinkable. She has altered the tapestry and therefore altered the future. Saving the one life on the tapestry has caused the death of thousands of people. The women on the island decide that they must use their magic to send Alina to the time and place where the change happened. She must somehow reverse the deed she so carelessly caused. Alina is sent to the kingdom of Kazia. It is ruled by a powerful king whose son Ranjan, Alina saved on the tapestry. Ranjan you see grows up to be a cruel king whose actions kill thousands of people. Alina must find a way to kill this spoilt brat of a prince to reverse the fate of many. But will she be able to accomplish such a terrible and gruesome task? This book is full of adventure, mystery and intrigue. Read to find out what Alina does.