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Reader's Opinions

I should have read a book that dealt more specifically with the SOE and the British female agents rather than a book on Vera Atkins. Maybe I should give the three stars to me and not to the author.

I love the subject and wish like heck we could do half stars here. The first half of the book was very well done, but in an effort to tell Vera's entire story the author must dig back into the hidden past and ends up with suppositions and guesswork. I guess that bothered me. The other issue is that by the end of the book, as we work...