

Wonder
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This wonderful story is about a little deformed guy named August (Auggie). He is about our age and never went to school. His parents are actually thinking of sending him to an institution so that he can learn more. They finally convince Auggie to go to school, but as soon as someone sees him -students and teachers- they are being mean to him, calling him «orc» and other names. Students are playing the «Plague» and who ever touches August has it and has to go wash his hands in less than 30 secondes. At least, Summer and Jack are kind to Auggie... Will August be able to make more friends? Will he finish in a school for people with special needs?

I loved this book because we can feel how the characters think. We can easily put ourselves in their shoes. We also can imagine all the scenes. I loved this book because it made me realize how bad people can be to someone who only has a little physical difference from them. My favourite part is when kids from another school call Auggie and Jack the «freaks» and try to punch them and everything. But then, Amos, Miles and Henry help them. In this scene, there is a lot of suspense and it changes the way you see some of the characters. My favourite character is August because he always stands up after each mean thing or difficulty... I don't think I'd be able to do this if I was him. He doesn't even look like minding all the comments people make. This book has only 8 or 9 drawings, but they are so original! They are all drawings of character's faces. They are all represented with only one eye and are in black and white. Under their face, there is their name and then a precept they invented or thought it looked nice.

I strongly recommend this book to E-V-E-R-Y one without exception. It's so good, it's impossible to hate it. You can read this book when you want, there is no special time.

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