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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Grade 8-10–Amy Nelson is a stereotypical spoiled teen who has stereotypical plans for her summer vacation: shopping, friends, boyfriend. Then, out of nowhere, her long-absent father calls to inform her that the grandmother whom she has never met is ill and that Amy needs to go to Israel to meet her. Before the teen can say, But I'm not even Jewish! she is on an Israeli moshav sharing a room with a cousin who hates her for being a spoiled American, lusting after a brooding older boy on the verge of his mandatory military service, and learning more than she ever thought possible about her faith, her family, their history, and their present. The characters are stock, and the lessons Amy learns are expected, but readers are still drawn into her story. The lightness of the narrative sometimes belies the depth of the topics on which it touches, but it is true to the manner in which many American teens would encounter these issues. Best for avid readers of realistic, high school dramedy.—*Morgan Johnson-Doyle, Sierra High School, Colorado Springs, CO*Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Review

.,." A fun read that also digs deeper into complex emotions."

"Funny, sharp dialogue keeps the teen conversations fresh and true to life."

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