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I have recently read "The Fault in Our Stars" a teenage novel from the 21st century written by John Green. The story takes place mostly in the current USA and then for a short while in Amsterdam because of a short trip. The novel contains the genre romance and realistic fiction following by the themes: love, teenage relationship, cancer (understanding how cancer works). The story in this novel is narrated in first person by Hazel Grace Lancaster, who is a 16-year-old girl with cancer that talks about her life experience, obstacles and difficulties in life when having cancer. "The Fault in Our Stars" is a fabulous novel that tells the story about a young teenage girl who is called Hazel and has been diagnosed with lung cancer at a nearly age of 13 and attends a cancer support group in the beginning being forced by her mother but later realizes it was a good idea and continues with her own will.

There at the support group Hazel meets a boy named Augustus Walters. Augustus is a very thoughtful and charming boy. Earlier in his life he has had a rare type of bone cancer called osteosarcoma but has recently got rid of it. Throughout the book Hazel and Augustus will together go through a journey full of emotions, that includes love, sadness and romance while being on search for Peter Van Houten the author of their favorite book: "An Imperial Affliction" during a trip to Amsterdam. Hazel Grace Lancaster is both the main character as well as the narrator of this novel.

She is 16 years old and had begun the love journey with the 17 year old Augustus Walters who is a gentleman and handsome. As a person she is an intelligent and sympathetic person, likeable and on good terms with most of

the other characters in the novel. She has short hair and always an oxygen mask so that she may breathe normally.

In my opinion it's easy to identify yourself with Hazel and her thoughts especially because she lives in today's society. The author has a few different messages in this novel for example that you should live in the present and not just live but enjoy the life not thinking and worrying about the future. When Hazel and her friend were in the mall a young girl came up to ask Hazel about the oxygen mask, right away the girl's mother was stressed and didn't know how to act just to not hurt Hazel's feelings. This message is that people don't know how to act when they are in the surrounding of the sick ones and by trying to act the way they think wouldn't hurt the sick person's feelings and is the right way they hurt the person unconsciously. Another one is every living thing wants to live "not even cancer that's evil wants to die" (pg 195) this means cancer that is so life-threatening itself want to live so don't give up hope. According to me, this is an amazing novel, romantic and a bit different from the other novels.

For me it's interesting to read how the life is for a person having cancer and what the person goes through. The other thing very close to my heart was it been reality-based with many detailed descriptions, before reading this novel I didn't realize that having cancer was so serious I always took it basic just to not get too attached with the feelings. I didn't also realize how you in person can have an impact by the smallest performance on the sick individuals in your surrounding, that for you it's ordinary but for them it's deep hurting. The Fault in Our Stars is written in an understandable and a daily language, it contains a bit slangy language and that's obviously because it's a teenage <https://assignbuster.com/i-in-the-beginning-being-forced-by-her/>

novel (the main characters are two teenagers, they fall in love with each other). The novel is straight to the point and easy to read due to the easy formulated and average long sentences. If you enjoy reading young adult books, that's full with humor, sadness, love and heartbreaking events.

I strongly recommend this novel to you, it's a beautiful book close to heart.