

Fahrenheit 451

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Fahrenheit 451 In the book Fahrenheit 451, by Ray Bradbury, the main character, Guy Montag meets a girl, Clarisse McClellan, who will tell him something that will change his life forever. Guy is a fireman, who ignites fires instead of putting them out. He burns house where books have been found. The reason that these houses along with the books are burned is because the government of this society does not want its people to read books. He then talks to a girl named Clarisse, who tells him of a past where people were not punished for reading books, but instead encouraged to do so. Ray Bradbury chose the title, Fahrenheit 451 for this novel because he says, that is the temperature at which books burn. The original title, The Fire Man, was chosen to identify Guy Montag, because he was a " fireman." Guy learns to be more open-minded through out the sourse of this novel. When he first meets Clarisse she says, " Strange I heard once that a long time ago, houses used to burn by accident and they needed firemen to stop the flames." At first, Guy does not believe her, but later on after she dies/disappears, he then realizes that it is true. Guy also learns that even though he did something against the law, it was still the right thing to do. When Mildred turns him in, he kills the firechief and runs from the police. " Beatty flopped over and over and over, and at last twisted in on himself like a charred wax doll and lay silent." All of this began just because he read books! Now he meets others who have also read books and now must run from the police. The reader learns that the government may not be correct all the time and that people must voice their opinion. Even if it may bring bad fortune onto you. If it helps many other people, then it is worth it to take that sacrifice.