



The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas

Recommended Grade Levels:
6th-12th



The Hate U Give is a story about discrimination. It starts when the protagonist, Starr, goes to a party with her friend Kenya. Kenya ditched her though, so Starr walked around trying to find someone else to talk to. She soon found her childhood friend Khalil and they started catching up. They then heard gunshots a few minutes later, so they ran to Khalil's car and drove away.

They were really happy that they could finally catch up. The happiness didn't last though, for they were soon pulled over and Khalil was shot for suspicion of having a weapon.

Starr was angry and heartbroken. People rioted about this discrimination. Starr organized a lawsuit and was afraid of the police ever since. They still didn't get the justice they deserved, so Starr joined another riot and spoke the truth about why Khalil died. Starr spoke out at least 3 times after Khalil's death because she felt the need to tell people that discrimination is a serious thing and that you should never be judged because of your skin color.

I recommend this book to people because discrimination is a big problem and we need to enlighten people about it.

The age group I would recommend this to is 6th-12th graders. The characters all had different personalities which made them unique. The story has good detail and the tension increases as the plot thickens so the book is quite hard to put down!

- Anonymous 7th grader