



If He Had Been with Me by Laura Nowlin

Reviewed by Aoife



It is not part of a series, but there is another book that recently came out about the male perspectives

Give a summary without spoilers!

If He Had Been with Me is a book about the main character, Autumn's, adventures through high school, and some flashbacks to middle and elementary school. Autumn gets a boyfriend her freshman year of high school named Jamie, and she hangs out all the time with her group of friends. Autumn has always known she was pretty because people would tell her all the time, but she was also told she was "weird." It talks about Autumn growing up and drinking alcohol with her friends, and telling her boyfriend that she loves him. Autumn's mom also has a best friend who she called Aunt Angelina. Aunt Angelina has a son named Phineas, who Autumn calls Finny, and they were both best friends for their entire life until about the end of 8th grade. They stopped being friends then for some unknown reason, so it also talks about Autumn missing hanging out with Finny. It's a great book about relationships and their struggles. This book also deals with some heavy topics such as depression.

What drew you to this book?

The book was on my TBR and it was said to be a fast paced book, and a sad book, and I was in the mood for that type of book at the time.

Did it remind you of something that you've previously read?

It did not remind me of something that I'd previously read.

To whom would you recommend this book?

I would recommend this book to those who are looking for a faster paced book, high school life, high school romance, high school friendship, at home struggles, and a tragic ending.

Overall, did you like it and would you recommend it to others?

I did like it and I would recommend it to others. I would recommend it because I enjoyed it a lot and it's a really easy book to read. I would especially recommend it to someone who is looking for a good cry.

Anything else that you would like to add to this review? What made you choose it? Did you like the cover? Was it recommended to you? Did you find it at the library?

I got this book at the library, and the cover was really cute.