

Roller Girl

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For most of her life, Astrid has done almost everything with her best friend Nicole. But when the summer rolled around, Astrid decided to sign up for roller derby camp instead of going to dance camp with Nicole. This seemed to have changed everything; Nicole began to hang out with her friends from dance camp more than she did with Astrid. Not only were there problems between her and Nicole, Astrid struggled to keep up with the older girls at roller derby camp. As she perseveres and works harder to become a better roller derby girl, Astrid also learns important life lessons about friendship, love, and hard work.

This graphic novel was able to depict all the amazing moments Astrid experienced, including the pain, excitement, and love. I found myself not being able to put the book down once I started reading it. I was able to relate a lot to this book, and I'm guessing a lot of teenage girl readers will be able to do that as well. Not only were their emotions and teen issues addressed in this book, the author was able to show the readers how Astrid was able to get through her tough situations. I would definitely buy this book for a friend. I would recommend this book to readers from the ages of 10-13. I think readers would be able to gain a lot of insight from this book and learn a lot of different things. I definitely enjoyed this graphic novel a lot.

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