

Five Feet Apart

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Five Feet Apart is a book about a girl named Stella with Cystic fibrosis, a life threatening disease who comes to meet, Will, a boy with B cepacia Cystic fibrosis (a more severe level of Cystic fibrosis). If Stella and Will do not keep a 6 foot distance Stella can be infected with B cepacia which will most likely cause her to die. However, Stella and Will end up falling in love and together they will try to overcome their challenges and find a way to be together.

I personally enjoyed some elements of the book. Readers get to sympathize and root for some characters because we learn about their struggles and how they overcome them. For example, throughout the book readers learn that Stella is grieving over the loss of her sister, toward the end of the book we are able to see how Stella learns to let her sister go. I also loved that Will and Stella help each other overcome their fears and challenges, and towards the end Stella and Will both get to live their fullest and happiest lives. We also get to learn about some character's hobbies and backstories which I really loved. However, I disliked that sometimes the book was slow moving and some parts of the book were quite cliché. Also some characters in the book I felt as though were unnecessary and unrealistic.

I believe that this book is targeted toward kids in the age range of 14 to 16, or any teenagers with parent consent because the book does have some adult language and adult topics, however the book has a simple storyline targeted toward teens. Buying this book as a gift for someone as long as they are comfortable with some adult content or borrowing it from the library are both great opinions because overall this is a very enjoyable book.

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