

Ask Amy Green: Boy Trouble

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“Ask Amy Green: Boy Trouble” surrounds 13-year-old Amy Green, a sweet Irish girl, who is head over heels in all sorts of drama. After her parents’ divorce, Amy’s home hasn’t been normal, especially with Alex and Evie, Amy’s younger half-siblings. Her mom is constantly stressed, dealing with a toddler and a newborn, and Amy has to deal with her mother’s boyfriend Dave. On top of that, her dad recently got secretly married to Miss Perky Shelly, and Amy feels like her life is falling apart. Luckily, she meets Seth, the emo art kid in her class, and has Aunt Clover to help with her family and friend problems. This story follows Amy’s troublesome years as a teenager, and how Clover (with the help from Amy) managed to help other teens in Clover’s advice column in the magazine.

This book is filled with relatable teenage drama, making it captivating to many teen readers. I loved how different Amy and Clover were. The character development with Amy showed the audience how beneficial it is to open up to others about how you feel. I felt in the beginning Amy was shy and closed-off, but with the help from Clover, Amy was able to show how mature and honest she is. Shelly’s character could be expressed more since we see David’s point of view but not her’s. I also feel that Seth’s background could be explained more and how he felt throughout the book. Overall, it was a super fun book to read that managed to be a light-read and contain lots of interesting drama.

This book could be read by pre-teens 12 and older. The only thing that makes this book a little older is the fact that there are some curse words. I also feel that the drama in this book is geared for people twelve and older since it mainly focuses on teenage drama. This book could be a gift to someone since it’s mostly a light read and something a teenager could enjoy during their free time. I love how the author develops normal problems that teenagers have and make them so personal and unique. When reading this book, I felt like I knew Amy Green, and as a teenager, the conflicts in the story made Amy almost feel alive.

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