ALL THE BRIGHT PLACES

by Jennifer Niven

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)

Genre(s):

Contemporary
Action/adventure

Science Fiction
Fantasy

Romance
Horror

Mystery
Nonfiction

Historical fiction
Other:

Theodore Finch is known for being strange and enjoys his less than great reputation. Violet Markey was known for being outgoing and popular, a great student with popular friends. Life changes for Violet when her and her sister get in a car accident leaving her sister dead and Violet the only survivor. She spirals downwards into an extreme depression that comes to a head one day when she goes to the top of the school bell tower with the intent of jumping off. Her plan is ruined when Finch, who went up for the same reason, talks her down and frames it so that she was the one who saved him. Finch becomes infatuated with her, and swears he'll show her all the reasons she should stay alive.

This is my favorite book of all time. It's hopeful and beautiful and everything is great until it's not and you realize the entire time it's been building you up just to steal everything away from you. It does have some insensitive words used, but it's easy to look over and I like to pretend they never said them in the first place. If you like coming of age stories, or you're interested in angsty/edgy fiction that explores mental health/depression you'll definitely enjoy this book I cannot recommend it enough. They are perfect and I'm heart broken.

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