

# SHATTER ME

by Tahereh Mafi

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



Genre(s):

Contemporary/Realistic

Action/adventure

Science Fiction

Fantasy

Romance

Horror

Mystery

Nonfiction

Historical fiction

Other: Dystopian

In a dystopian world under the authority of the Reestablishment, Juliette Ferrars is an anomaly. The 17-year-old can kill someone with her touch and nobody knows why. The Reestablishment has her captive and isolated in an insane asylum for 260 days and wants to use her powers for their regime. Suddenly, she meets a boy named Adam and his friends at Omega Point who are fighting against the Reestablishment and commander Aaron Warner. She begins questioning everything she thought she knew and everything she thought she trusted.

I really loved this book! It is the first of a six book series, which has novellas in between. The writing style is very addictive and fast-paced, while still very lyrical. I read this in one sitting and it was difficult to put down. The world is very oppressive and you really get to understand Juliette's thoughts and beliefs and why she acts the way she does.

Additionally, I enjoyed seeing her friendships with Adam and some other side characters. There are definitely many parts to the plot that have yet to be explained, as it is the first of the series. At times, it lacks any sense of realism, but I think it's still a fun book. I'd recommend this book to someone in middle school or high school who likes Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard or Legend by Marie Lu. I'm excited to see where the series goes!

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