

# THIS IS WHERE IT ENDS

by Marieke Nijkamp

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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: Thriller

This Is Where It Ends follows several students at Opportunity High during what begins as a normal school assembly. When the doors suddenly lock and a student opens fire, everyone inside is thrown into panic. The story moves minute-by-minute through the eyes of different teens who are either trapped in the auditorium or trying to reach the people they care about. As the situation unfolds, each character reveals their connection to the shooter and what they could lose.

This book kept you guessing about what was going to happen next, and that constant uncertainty made the whole experience feel even more intense. The quick chapters and changing viewpoints made everything feel fast and urgent, like the tension never gives you a break. But that also made the story feel very real. I liked how the author showed the fear, confusion, and bravery that comes out in a crisis.

Whether someone should read this book really depends on what they're okay with reading. It's an intense story that deals with school violence and guns. Some readers might find this book to be too much or hard to read. The book shows us things the characters experience like fear, panic, and the way the matter has affected them, so if topics like shootings or trauma are hard for you, this probably isn't the best choice. But for readers who like fast-paced, high-tension stories and don't mind heavy, realistic subject, then this book is for you. It's the kind of story that sticks with you, but it's definitely meant for people who can handle tough stories.

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