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One-Pager

Title The Perks of Being a Wallflower

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Rating of book (1-10) 9 1/2

Describe one major external conflict and one major internal conflict found in this book (use back side if necessary).

There were many different types of conflicts in this book, both internal and external. One major external conflict was the issue of Charlie kissing Sam instead of his girlfriend, Mary Elizabeth. That caused issues with quite a lot of people and really changed a lot of relationships. Most examples of internal conflict in this book occurred inside Charlie's mind. The entire book he was kind of conflicted about various things and he was never quite sure what he should do. But one example of internal conflict in this book is Charlie dealing with the knowledge that his aunt died in a car crash while driving to get him a second present for his birthday/Christmas.

In this book, a bunch of people were playing truth or dare and Charlie, at this point, was getting annoyed with Mary Elizabeth but didn't want to break up with her. He continuously picked dare because he did not want to have the truth that he didn't like her forced out of him in any way or form. But after a while the picking dare got to be a problem because someone dared him to kiss the most beautiful girl in the room. Now you have to remember that he had a girlfriend at this point so she was expecting him to kiss her. But he had just gotten tired of lying at this point so he decided to kiss Sam, the girl who he truly thought was the most beautiful. This did not end well for anyone because Mary Elizabeth was everyone's friend, too. So Charlie decided to stay away from everyone for a while and isolate himself. He then became lonely because he had grown accustomed to having friends.

This book was pretty much filled with internal conflicts. Charlie continuously had something going on or didn't know what to do in a situation. But one major example is when his aunt died in a car crash and Charlie was the only one to know that the reason she was going out was to get him a second present. Charlie's birthday was the day before Christmas so most people lumped his birthday and

Christmas presents together as one. But some people, like his aunt and his parents, bought him two, which he appreciated very much. On this particular occasion, Aunt Helen told Charlie that she was heading to the store to buy him his second present which filled Charlie with much love for his aunt. But then the news came back that she had died, most likely instantly, in a car crash on her way to the store. So his birthday forever became an occasion of regret and guilt. He felt like it was mostly his fault and that he had caused her death.

This was a wonderful book with many examples of both internal and external conflict. I really enjoyed it and thought it was written really well. The many conflicts really improved the entertainment factor of this book and made it so I never wanted to put it down. I would definitely recommend this book to a friend to read.

Author's purpose: To make his readers think about life in general.

Intended audience(s): Young adults.