

Omniscient Reader's Viewpoint by SingNSong

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A riveting story that had me hooked from the very first word to the last sentence.

I love reading books, especially those in the fantasy genre, so this book naturally drew me in. Recently, I was struggling to find good books to read and even though I came upon this book by chance, it did not leave me disappointed as its captivating storyline made me struggle to put it down. The story itself is about a reader's journey when his favorite book becomes a reality, focusing on themes such as friendship, sacrifice, and the perception of reality. This emphasis on the reader on the effect that a story has on them is no doubt why this book resonated with me so deeply. The author makes extensive use of common stereotypes and clichés in a self-deprecating manner that somehow manages to further cement the idea that even stories built with common parts can each end up being unique and powerful in their own way. One small criticism I have of the book is about how the author could've ended the book with a 'happily ever after', but chose to continue the story and leave the ending open to the reader's imaginations. However, even if I feel conflicted about it, I do have to agree that it was most likely the best possible ending for the book. It reflects the main character's own conflict between his determination to reach the final chapter and his desire for the story to continue (a dilemma faced by all readers invested in a book), and his question of what happens to the reader once the story eventually does end.

