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Everything, Everything



Synopsis

The Instant #1 New York Times Bestseller! If you love *Eleanor and Park*, *Hazel and Augustus*, and *Mia and Adam*, you'll love the story of Maddy, a girl who's literally allergic to the outside world, and Olly, the boy who moves in next door . . . and becomes the greatest risk she's ever taken. This innovative and heartfelt debut novel unfolds via vignettes, diary entries, illustrations, and more. "My disease is as rare as it is famous. Basically, I'm allergic to the world. I don't leave my house, have not left my house in seventeen years. The only people I ever see are my mom and my nurse, Carla. But then one day, a moving truck arrives next door. I look out my window, and I see him. He's tall, lean and wearing all black—black T-shirt, black jeans, black sneakers, and a black knit cap that covers his hair completely. He catches me looking and stares at me. I stare right back. His name is Olly. Maybe we can't predict the future, but we can predict some things. For example, I am certainly going to fall in love with Olly. It's almost certainly going to be a disaster." And don't miss *The Sun Is Also A Star*, the breathtaking and romantic new novel from #1 New York Times bestselling author Nicola Yoon in which two teens are brought together just when it seems like the universe is sending them in opposite directions.

Book Information

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Age Range: 12 - 17 years

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Customer Reviews

Nicola Yoon's *Everything, Everything* is a wonderful novel that will make you laugh, but one that, as the story develops, may also make you cry. It is about loss, love, holding on, and letting go; it is about growing up and it is about acknowledging that our children do grow up. Maddie Whittier has grown up believing she is allergic to everything. Living in a sterile home protected by an airlock that prevents outside contaminants from entering, Maddie's world is limited to books, the internet, and two women. Her widowed physician mother and her nurse, Carla are the only individuals with whom she has physical contact. Maddie watches the outside world through her bedroom window. Fascinated by Olly, the teen-aged son of new neighbors, Maddie eventually strikes up an online friendship with him that evolves into something more. As Maddie struggles to gain her independence and to experience real life, conflict with her mother creates the basis for and resolution of the mystery surrounding Maddie's illness. *Everything, Everything* provides a lesson for parents who seek to control the lives of their children and its effect on a child's dreams. "I try not to want things I can't have." In denying them the opportunity to experience the triumphs and tragedies inherent in growing up, parents limit the child's life to a sterile, safe existence. Maddie expresses the frustration this creates in a child. "For the first time I want more than I have." She also recognizes the effect this has on her. "Wanting leads to more wanting. There's no end." She realizes that, based on past events, her mother's love is founded on the desperate desire to protect her. Because of this, Maddie "like many teens" is determined to live her own life differently.

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