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Fragile



Synopsis

What does it mean to be normal? It's such a loaded word, with about a billion different meanings, and every one of them makes Ava Collins sick. At 17, Ava has been deaf for as long as she can remember. She grew up constantly reminded that she wasn't - and couldn't - be normal, that she needed to be "fixed", but it wasn't until she met Theo De Vries that she learned the truth. Deaf doesn't mean broken, it means different. And different isn't a bad thing.

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Customer Reviews

Jandra has an incredible ability to make you connect with her characters so much quicker than most YA authors around. Her story is 150 pages but the range of emotions you'll go through is that of a sweeping trilogy. You'll find characters to love, hate and feel sympathetic towards but where Jandra truly shines is how she explains to readers what it means to be deaf. The ability to hear is something many of us take for granted and deafness is rarely shown in literature and even more rarely shown in a main character. Jandra provides a look into a world that so few people understand.

Listening to a lesson from a teacher is impossible in a dimly lit room if you can't see their lips. If someone turns their back on you and keeps talking you have no way of knowing. Balance can be severely impaired because of your inner ear so bumping into someone in the halls of a busy high school is a constant worry. There are so many things people never consider when thinking about someone who is hearing impaired but the most important thing that Jandra conveys with *Fragile* is that being deaf doesn't make you less. It's a part of who you are but it isn't entirely who you are. This story is inspiring and thought-provoking and heartbreakingly beautiful and I can't recommend it enough. Spend an afternoon with Jandra's story. You won't regret it.

This book is beautiful. I didn't realize how emotionally attached I became to these characters until it ended and now I want to read it again to keep them real. The author did a brilliant job at detailing how different each person's life experiences can be and how your perception can be utterly deceiving.

Once I started *Fragile* I couldn't put it down. The character development is incredible! It tugged at all my emotions in the best way and left me in tears at the end. I only wish it was longer! Can't wait to read more novels by Jandra Sutton. Run, don't walk to pick up your copy!

I grew up with the author of this book. She is great, you won't be disappointed. I love the sarcastic humor she threw into it. Just read it.

Authors usually don't write about characters with physical disabilities, but in Jandra Sutton's debut novel the theme is handled beautifully. Ava is such a gem. Her emotional strength is astounding and it fills me with joy to read that she doesn't think of her deafness as a problem. She embraces and accepts each part of herself, and it definitely sets a good example for readers. I also love Theo. He's such a gentle and troubled soul. It makes me so happy to read about a male character that doesn't start out as abusive or sarcastic; he's just himself and that's more than enough. There were times when I just had to put the book down, take a deep breath and then continue reading. Each character introduced in this book develops beautifully, and the plot will leave you wanting more. You will definitely think about this book for a long time and the characters will stay close to your heart. I highly recommend this beautiful book and I can't wait for Jandra's next release!

Fragile is amazing. It's a heartfelt story of the relationship between a social hermit and the most

popular kid in school. But it is so much more than that. It was incredible to experience the world through Ava's eyes, to see how she deals with life as a deaf person, and to understand that all of our differences don't make us that different after all.

Fragile is a different and unique story that pulls you in as soon as you start reading. It allows you to see through the eyes of someone who is deaf and gives you a new perspective. This book will hit your emotions in all the right places. This is the type of story that you can read an infinite amount of times and never get bored with it. I absolutely love it. Really recommend this story.

Fragile is the kind of story that sucks you into its written world immediately. With an interesting, and at times complicated, plot, it's no wonder this book is such a hit. You'll fall in love with the main character within the first few chapters! Jandra has truly created a piece that is out of this world.

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