

Be You Tiful Love Sofia

In New York City, follows the breakup of teenaged best friends Cleo and Layla, told in alternating timelines.

'Heartwarming and hilarious' Sarah Morgan 'A fun and fabulous read from the queen of the rom-com' Woman & Home 'A laugh-out-loud book...the perfect summer escape' Lindsey Kelk

Be You Tiful Love, SofiaBookbaby

Simple, rhyming text celebrates baby's feet as they stretch, tap and splash throughout a busy day. Artwork by the illustrator of Jammy Dance and the new editions of the Beezus and Ramona books.

"Poof! Then magic happened, from light inside my heart. They loved me and I learned, I am capable, kind and smart!" How do we inspire our children to know all the ways they can shine in this world, simply by being who they are? BE YOU TIFUL LOVE, SOFIA is the true story of Sofia Sanchez, a little girl with Down syndrome. Talking to you heart to heart, Sofia takes you on her personal journey of dreaming big and never giving up. Gorgeous full color pictures illustrate her path from Eastern European Orphan to All American Girl. Sofia shows us every emotion, from sadness to happiness, loneliness to belonging, feeling fear to being brave. Most of all, she proves that being yourself is the best magic power of all. The perfect book for birthdays, celebrations and any day for inspiration. Because YOU are beautiful! Love, Sofia

From a beguiling voice in Mexican fiction comes an astonishing novel--her first to be translated into English--about a mysterious child with the power to change a family's history in a country on the verge of revolution. From the day that old Nana Reja found a baby abandoned under a bridge, the life of a small Mexican town forever changed. Disfigured and covered in a blanket of bees, little Simonopio is for some locals the stuff of superstition, a child kissed by the devil. But he is welcomed by landowners Francisco and Beatriz Morales, who adopt him and care for him as if he were their own. As he grows up, Simonopio becomes a cause for wonder to the Morales family, because when the uncannily gifted child closes his eyes, he can see what no one else can--visions of all that's yet to come, both beautiful and dangerous. Followed by his protective swarm of bees and living to deliver his adoptive family from threats--both human and those of nature--Simonopio's purpose in Linares will, in time, be divined. Set against the backdrop of the Mexican Revolution and the devastating influenza of 1918, *The Murmur of Bees* captures both the fate of a country in flux and the destiny of one family that has put their love, faith, and future in the unbelievable.

Magical things happen wherever Princess Sofia goes! Children ages 2 to 5 will love this Little Golden Book based on an episode of Disney Junior's Sofia the First.

Jevik travels to the city of Olondria where he is overtaken by a ghost from his past. This board book with glitter on the cover includes three press-out glittery ornaments—a heart, a star, and a wreath—that make a perfect holiday gift for any little girl. Each ornament features characters from Sofia the First! Sofia is excited to be celebrating her first Wassailia in Enchancia. This charming holiday story is sure to delight Sofia fans, and they will love the three press-out glittery Sofia the First ornaments that comes ready to hang on their very own tree!

A sweet bedtime story that will inspire children to protect the Earth and encourage

others to do the same. When Sofia dreams of visiting the Moon one night, she discovers people are hurting the Earth! With the Moon as her guide, Sofia learns how we can work together to make Earth feel better. With rhyming text and beautiful illustrations, this sweet, environmentally friendly story is a gentle lesson and clear reminder of the importance of caring for our planet. Previously published as *Sofia's Dream*, this updated edition includes bonus back matter about pollution and the simple steps we can take to protect the Earth! "Young activist dreamers will appreciate the new perspective and environmental call to action."—Kirkus Reviews

A beautiful and inclusive picture book all about celebrating being yourself from Down syndrome advocate and viral sensation Sofia Sanchez! It can be hard to be different whether because of how you look, where you live, or what you can or can't do. But wouldn't it be boring if we were all the same? Being different is great! Being different is what makes you YOU. This inclusive and empowering picture book from Sofia Sanchez an 11-year-old model and actress with Down syndrome reminds readers how important it is to embrace your differences, be confident, and be proud of who you are. Imagine all of the wonderful things you can do if you don't let anyone stop you! You are enough just how you are. Sofia is unique, but her message is universal: We all belong. So each spread will feature beautiful, full-color illustrations of a full cast of kid characters with all kinds of backgrounds, experiences, and abilities. This book will also include back matter with a brief bio of Sofia and her journey so far, as well as additional information about Down syndrome and how we can all be more accepting, more inclusive, and more kind.

The first collection of short fiction from a rising star whose stories have been anthologized in the first two volumes of the Best American Science Fiction and Fantasy series and nominated for many awards. Some of Samatar's weird and tender fabulations spring from her life and her literary studies; some spring from the world, some from the void. Praise for Sofia Samatar's Books: "The excerpt from Sofia Samatar's compelling novel *A Stranger in Olondria* should be enough to make you run out and buy the book. Just don't overlook her short 'Selkie Stories Are for Losers,' the best story about loss and love and selkies I've read in years." —K. Tempest Bradford, NPR "An imaginative, poetic, and dark meditation on how history gets made." —Hello Beautiful "Pleasantly startling and unexpected. Her prose is by turns sharp and sumptuous, and always perfectly controlled. . . . There are strains here too of Jane Austen and something wilder."—Publishers Weekly (starred review) "Like an alchemist, Sofia Samatar spins golden landscapes and dazzling sentences." —Shelf Awareness (starred review) "Beauty, wonder, and a soaring paean to the power of story."—Jason Heller, NPR "Highly recommended." —N. K. Jemisin, New York Times Book Review Sofia Samatar is the author of the novels *A Stranger in Olondria* and *The Winged Histories*. She has written for the *Guardian*, *Strange Horizons*, and *Clarkesworld*, among others, and has won the John W. Campbell Award, the Crawford Award, the British Fantasy Award, and the World Fantasy Award. She lives in Virginia.

A New York Times Notable Book of 2020 Named one of the best books of 2020 by *The New Yorker*; BBC; NPR; *Time* ("100 Must-read Books"); Kirkus; and *The Washington Post* ("50 Notable Works of Fiction") In the highly anticipated follow-up to his beloved debut, *What Belongs to You*, Garth Greenwell deepens his exploration of foreignness, obligation, and desire Sofia, Bulgaria, a landlocked city in southern Europe, stirs with

hope and impending upheaval. Soviet buildings crumble, wind scatters sand from the far south, and political protesters flood the streets with song. In this atmosphere of disquiet, an American teacher navigates a life transformed by the discovery and loss of love. As he prepares to leave the place he's come to call home, he grapples with the intimate encounters that have marked his years abroad, each bearing uncanny reminders of his past. A queer student's confession recalls his own first love, a stranger's seduction devolves into paternal sadism, and a romance with another foreigner opens, and heals, old wounds. Each echo reveals startling insights about what it means to seek connection: with those we love, with the places we inhabit, and with our own fugitive selves. Cleanness revisits and expands the world of Garth Greenwell's beloved debut, *What Belongs to You*, declared "an instant classic" by *The New York Times Book Review*. In exacting, elegant prose, he transcribes the strange dialects of desire, cementing his stature as one of our most vital living writers.

People say there are things worse than death. They are right. Death would have saved me. The things broke me. - Sofia So I locked my heart away and swore I'd never have another man in my body again. You see, I thought, I knew everything there was to know about men: deceitful, cruel, and heartless. I thought I hated them all. Naively, I believed I could live hidden away in my brother-in-law's castle forever. But Fate put me under a mistletoe with a man called Jack Irish. How can I describe him? Tall, dark and handsome wouldn't even begin to cut it. Mesmerizingly magnetic with charcoal hair, eyes bluer than the bluest marbles, and tattoos that curl out of his rolled up sleeves, he stood in front of me. When his lips brushed mine the ground under my feet shook, and everything I believed about myself smashed into a thousand pieces. But I am not the girl he thinks I am. He wants me in his bed. He doesn't know I am damaged beyond repair and dirty. If he knows how filthy I am he will run a mile. Jack I know all about pain. How it reaches into you, rips out your heart, and crushes it while you fuckin' watch. I'd vowed that was in the past. I was going to get drunk on one night stands and casual sex. But then fate put Sophie Seagull in my path. She is damaged. She is fragile. She is broken. And she is beautiful. Not in the cold, hard way of a sparkling diamond throwing its flashy light all over the place, but in the secretively, mysterious way of a pearl glowing in the moonlight. I look into her eyes, as huge and hauntingly soulful as that of a slow loris and the world doesn't seem to be so bleak anymore. She fights me, but this is my vow. To repair her. To protect her. To take her. To make her mine forever...

Disney Junior has a new Disney princess! Children ages 2–5 will love Sofia the First—the new animated TV show about an eight-year old girl who becomes a princess when her mother marries the king. Living in a castle and attending school at Royal Prep takes some getting used to, but Sofia has lots of helpers including Flora, Fauna, and Merryweather! This Little Golden Book retells an episode of the Disney Junior show in which Sofia hosts her first royal tea party.

What would you do to bring back someone you love? After the unexpected loss of his girlfriend, a boy suffering from delusions believes he can travel through time to save her in this gripping new novel from *New York Times* bestselling author Beth Revis. "A story that's both heartbreaking and hopeful." —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review "Revis's account of grief, loss, first love, and anguish, presented through a lens of mental illness, is a must-read." —*VOYA*, starred review "A heartrending, beautifully complex look at

mental illness, life, and loss. I tore through the pages, and, days later, this story still has a hold on me.” —Alexandra Bracken, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Darkest Minds* series and *Passenger* Seventeen-year-old Bo has always had delusions that he can travel through time. When he was ten, Bo claimed to have witnessed the Titanic hit an iceberg, and at fifteen, he found himself on a Civil War battlefield, horrified by the bodies surrounding him. So when his concerned parents send him to a school for troubled youth, Bo assumes he knows the truth: that he’s actually attending Berkshire Academy, a school for kids who, like Bo, have "superpowers." At Berkshire, Bo falls in love with Sofia, a quiet girl with a tragic past and the superpower of invisibility. Sofia helps Bo open up in a way he never has before. In turn, Bo provides comfort to Sofia, who lost her mother and two sisters at a very young age. But even the strength of their love isn’t enough to help Sofia escape her deep depression. After she commits suicide, Bo is convinced that she's not actually dead. He believes that she's stuck somewhere in time — that he somehow left her in the past, and now it's his job to save her. Not since Ned Vizzini’s *It’s Kind of a Funny Story* has there been such a heartrending depiction of mental illness. In her first contemporary novel, Beth Revis guides readers through the mind of a young man struggling to process his grief as he fights his way through his delusions. As Bo becomes more and more determined to save Sofia, he has to decide whether to face his demons head-on, or succumb to a psychosis that will let him be with the girl he loves.

A YA contemporary rom com about two girls who start as rivals but after a twist of events, end up falling for one another--at least they think so. A pitch perfect queer romance! Arch-nemeses Emma, a die-hard romantic, and more-practical minded Sophia find themselves competing against one another for a coveted first-prize trip to a film festival in Los Angeles . . . what happens if their rivalry turns into a romance? For fans of Becky Albertalli's *Leah on the Offbeat*, full of laugh-out-loud humor and make-your-heart-melt moments. Underlined is a line of totally addictive romance, thriller, and horror titles coming to you fast and furious each month. Enjoy everything you want to read the way you want to read it.

A Venetian noblewoman and an Italian sailor are captured by Turkish pirates and sold into slavery in the 16th century Ottoman Empire. "Sofia" begins a brilliant new historical series featuring the women of the Ottoman Empire.

Arno Schipper and Ilse Hahlbrock grow up, unaware of each other, in different parts of Prussia during World War II, and take flight with their families when the region ceases to exist as a part of Germany at the end of the war.

"Wholly original and captivating." - Brigid Kemmerer, New York Times bestselling author of *A Curse So Dark and Lonely* Girls team up to overthrow the kingdom in this unique and powerful retelling of Cinderella from a stunning new voice that's perfect for fans of *A Curse So Dark and Lonely*. It's 200 years after Cinderella found her prince, but the fairy tale is over. Teen girls are now required to appear at the Annual Ball, where the men of the kingdom select wives based on a girl's display of finery. If a suitable match is not found, the girls not chosen are never heard from again. Sixteen-year-old Sophia would much rather marry Erin, her childhood best friend, than parade in front of suitors. At the ball, Sophia makes the desperate decision to flee, and finds herself hiding in Cinderella's mausoleum. There, she meets Constance, the last known descendant of Cinderella and her step sisters. Together they vow to bring down the king once and for all--and in the process, they learn that there's more to Cinderella's story than they ever knew . . . This fresh take on a classic story will make readers question the tales they've been told, and root for girls to break down the constructs of the world around them. "Written with love, told with joy. Very easy to enjoy."—Fredrik Backman, author of *A Man*

Called Ove For fans of *The Little Paris Bookshop* and *The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared* comes a heartwarming debut about 96-year-old Doris, who writes down the memories of her eventful life as she pages through her decades-old address book. But the most profound moment of her life is still to come . . . Meet Doris, a 96-year-old woman living alone in her Stockholm apartment. She has few visitors, but her weekly Skype calls with Jenny—her American grandniece, and her only relative—give her great joy and remind her of her own youth. When Doris was a girl, she was given an address book by her father, and ever since she has carefully documented everyone she met and loved throughout the years. Looking through the little book now, Doris sees the many crossed-out names of people long gone and is struck by the urge to put pen to paper. In writing down the stories of her colorful past—working as a maid in Sweden, modelling in Paris during the 30s, fleeing to Manhattan at the dawn of the Second World War—can she help Jenny, haunted by a difficult childhood, unlock the secrets of their family and finally look to the future? And whatever became of Allan, the love of Doris’s life? A charming novel that prompts reflection on the stories we all should carry to the next generation, and the surprises in life that can await even the oldest among us, *The Red Address Book* introduces Sofia Lundberg as a wise—and irresistible—storyteller.

The newest picture book from the creators of *Iggy Peck, Architect*; *Rosie Revere, Engineer*; and *Ada Twist, Scientist* stars Sofia Valdez, a community leader who stands up for what she believes in! Every morning, Abuelo walks Sofia to school . . . until one day, when Abuelo hurts his ankle at a local landfill and he can no longer do so. Sofia misses her Abuelo and wonders what she can do about the dangerous Mount Trashmore. Then she gets an idea—the town can turn the slimy mess into a park! She brainstorms and plans and finally works up the courage to go to City Hall—only to be told by a clerk that she can’t build a park because she’s just a kid! Sofia is down but not out, and she sets out to prove what one kid can do. Collect them all! Add these other STEM favorites from #1 New York Times bestselling team Andrea Beaty and David Roberts to your family library today! *Rosie Revere, Engineer* *Iggy Peck, Architect* *Ada Twist, Scientist* *Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters* *Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants* *Ada Twist’s Big Project Book for Stellar Scientists* *Iggy Peck’s Big Project Book for Amazing Architects* *Rosie Revere’s Big Project Book for Bold Engineers* *Questioners Family Calendar* The precocious Sophia and her pet giraffe Noodle learn how to look at life, love, and art in this latest installment of the series that Kirkus Reviews calls “fun, clever, and empowering.” Sophia loves her family and her wonderful pet giraffe Noodle, so when she gets an assignment to draw something she loves, she wants to make it extra special. Taking her teacher’s advice, Sophia uses a little perspective and creates a work she calls Love. Before she can place her masterpiece on the refrigerator, her whole family has to approve of the painting. But this is the Whitney, the Guggenheim, the Louvre of refrigerators. Can Sophia persuade them to take a chance on a new perspective, so they can see love from her point of view?

CHALLENGES BUILD CHARACTER “The Lord upholds all those who are FALLING and RAISES UP all those who are bowed down.” (Psalm 145:14 NIV) **FALLING** Have you ever felt like you were falling? Have you ever felt like no one was listening and no one cared? Have you ever felt that living was so unbearable that the only way to stop the pain was to end your life? Maybe you are feeling this right now. Years before I accepted Jesus as my Savior, I experienced the most painful, difficult, and darkest time of my life. Things were so unbearable that it took every ounce of energy I had just to survive. I became severely depressed, fell, and hit rock bottom, attempted to commit suicide, and ended up strapped in the Psychiatric Unit. **RAISES UP** God can raise us up without us even realizing it is happening. God started to raise me up while I was still a patient at the hospital ironically leading a “life changing session”. Shortly after returning home, the Holy Spirit led me to a Christian church which ignited a passion in me to have a relationship with God, study His word and share it with others. God

had a plan for me, and He has a plan for you too. Not only did God raise me up but he put it in my heart to write this book and share what I learned. This book is about my testimony as well as others who have fallen through affairs, addiction, divorce, financial difficulties, loss of loved ones, orphanage, and suicide. And beautiful stories of being raised up through family reunions, marriage resolutions, recovered addictions and discovered newfound strengths by having a relationship with God. We want to share with you our stories of God's goodness and faithfulness. God touched your heart today. There is a story written here that He wants you to read and I pray that you give it a try. God is lovingly waiting to hear back from you.

"From the author of *The Red Address Book* Sofia Lundberg comes a captivating story about overcoming shame and guilt, about finding oneself and the truth-and in doing so, learning how to love"--

I was twenty-one when the gypsy read my future: As punishment for your crimes, you will only love one woman...but she'll never love you back. I didn't believe a word of it. Until I met Sofia Romano almost ten years later. I fell hard for this woman. Would die for this woman. But she left me. Now years have passed and Sofia needs a husband. Her father is gone and her mother is trying to marry her off to a man that can protect their family, protect their company. She's looking for someone powerful. Check. Someone rich. Check. Someone handsome. Double check. Now it's my chance to have the only woman I've ever loved...and I'll make sure she feels the same way. I have a lifetime to make that happen.

This book is based on the true story of how Haole the Surf Dog helped Sofia Sanchez, a little girl with Down syndrome, learn to surf! Yes. . .it is true. This is dog who can truly surf by himself on the board, and showed a little girl how to not give up and keep going for her dream to be a Surfer Girl For everyone who believes in dreams! And for everyone, who has ever loved a dog! Sofia Sanchez has Down syndrome. On a very special day of Surf Camp, she goes out in the waves to learn how to surf. But the mighty ocean is hard to conquer. Sofia sits on the beach and wonders if she will ever be able to do it. As she sits there, she watches a very special Surf Dog, riding the waves into the beach on his surfboard. Haole the Surf Dog meets Sofia on the beach. Sofia decides to give it one more try. Sofia goes out on the surfboard with Haole. Haole gives her confidence and together, they ride the wave!

Real-life 7-year-old Sophia Spencer was bullied for loving bugs until hundreds of women scientists rallied around her. Now Sophie tells her inspiring story in this picture book that celebrates women in science, bugs of all kinds, and the importance of staying true to yourself. Makes a perfect gift for nature lovers on Earth Day and every day! Sophia Spencer has loved bugs ever since a butterfly landed on her shoulder--and wouldn't leave!--at a butterfly conservancy when she was only two-and-a-half years old. In preschool and kindergarten, Sophia was thrilled to share what she knew about grasshoppers (her very favorite insects), as well as ants and fireflies... but by first grade, not everyone shared her enthusiasm. Some students bullied her, and Sophia stopped talking about bugs altogether. When Sophia's mother wrote to an entomological society looking for a bug scientist to be a pen pal for her daughter, she and Sophie were overwhelmed by the enthusiastic response--letters, photos, and videos came flooding in. Using the hashtag BugsR4Girls, scientists tweeted hundreds of times to tell Sophia to keep up her interest in bugs--and it worked! Sophia has since appeared on Good Morning America, The Today Show, and NPR, and she continues to share her love of bugs with others.

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Searching for Sofia is the third book in the *Portraits in Blue Series*. In *Book One: The Sun Rose in Paris*, and *Book Two: Shattered Dreams* we accompany Jack Tomlinson's foray into the world of artists in the early twentieth century, and his experiences in Paris, Spain and living in an artists' retreat in Australia. In *Searching for Sofia*, his story continues. Having experienced tragedy beyond his imaginings, Jack tries to put his life back together again - first by finding healing at Heide, under the gentle, if somewhat intense, guidance of art enthusiasts - Sunday and John Reed, then by committing to life as a war-artist in the mountains of Crete. Despite his experiences, Jack never forgets the love that haunts him and which tests his sanity to the limits.

Life on Earth isn't always fair, so Sophia runs off to the moon, where there are no bedtimes, no time-outs, and no Mom. But as Sophia and her mom send letters to each other, Mom has a clever comeback for all of Sophia's angry notes. Home starts to sound not-quite-so-bad, especially when Mom reports that someone from the moon has moved in to Sophia's old room, they're having spaghetti for dinner, and they're reading Sophia's favorite story at bedtime. A through line of unconditional love underscored with lots of humor and imagination makes this picturebook a stellar pick for storytime.

In this magically illustrated bedtime story, little Sofia befriends the Moon and sets off on a dreamy adventure to visit her friend. She sees our planet from the Moon's point of view and is inspired to protect the Earth, and encourage others to do th

"Artfully written and engaging, Jane in Love is a lively effusion of wit and humor."—Graeme Simsion, New York Times bestselling author of *The Rosie Project* A charming, romantic debut novel in which Jane Austen, heralded author, ends up time-traveling almost 200 years in the future. There she finds the love she's written about and the destiny she's dreamed of...but is it worth her legacy? Bath, England, 1803. At 28, Jane Austen prefers walking and reading to balls and assemblies; she dreams of someday publishing her carefully crafted stories. Already on the shelf and in grave danger of becoming a spinster, Jane goes searching for a radical solution—and as a result, seemingly by accident, time-travels. She lands in... Bath, England, present day. The film set of Northanger Abbey. Sofia Wentworth is a Hollywood actress starring in a new period film, an attempt to reinvent her flagging career and, secretly, an attempt to reinvent her failing marriage. When Sofia meets Jane, she marvels at the young actress who can't seem to "break character," even off set. And Jane—acquainting herself with the horseless steel carriages and seriously shocking fashion of the twenty-first century—meets Sofia, a woman unlike anyone she's ever met before. Then she meets Fred, Sofia's brother, who has the audacity to be handsome, clever, and kind-hearted. What happens when Jane, against her better judgement, falls in love with Fred? And when Sofia learns the truth about her new friend Jane? And worst of all, if Jane stays with Fred, will she ever achieve her dream, the one she's now seen come true?

Sofia comes from a family of storytellers. Here are her tales of growing up in the barrio in McAllen, Texas, full of the magic and mystery of family traditions: making Easter cascarones, celebrating el Dia de los Muertos, preparing for quinceañera, rejoicing in the Christmas nacimiento, and curing homesickness by eating the tequila worm. When Sofia is singled out to receive a scholarship to boarding school, she longs to explore life beyond the barrio, even though it means leaving her family to navigate a strange world of rich, privileged kids. It's a different mundo, but one where Sofia's traditions take on new meaning and illuminate her path.

"Reminiscent of Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye*." —The New York Times "One of the best books I have ever read...will live in the hearts of readers for the rest of their lives." —Colby Sharp, founder of Nerdy Book Club "An emotional, painful, yet still hopeful adolescent journey...one that needed telling." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "I really loved this." —Sharon M. Draper, author of the New York Times bestseller *Out of My Mind* This deeply sensitive and "compelling" (BCCB) debut novel tells the story of a thirteen-year-old who must overcome internalized racism and a verbally abusive family to finally learn to love herself. There are ninety-six reasons why thirteen-year-old Genesis dislikes herself. She knows the exact number because she keeps a list: -Because her family is always being put out of their house. -Because her dad has a gambling problem. And maybe a drinking problem too. -Because Genesis knows this is all her fault. -Because she wasn't born looking like Mama. -Because she is too black. Genesis is determined to fix her family, and she's willing to try anything to do so...even if it means harming herself in the process. But when Genesis starts to find a thing or two she actually likes about herself, she discovers that changing her own attitude is the first step in helping change others.

All Sophie wants for her birthday is a pet giraffe, but as she tries to convince different members of her rather complicated family to support her cause, each tells her she is using too many words until she finally hits on the perfect one. Includes glossary.

'I love all of Sue Moorcroft's books!' Katie Fforde

Ever since Sofia's involvement with an exorcism she has been haunted by bloody visions, and when her mother dies suddenly she is sent to a creepy Catholic boarding school in Mississippi where she meets the mysterious Jude who becomes convinced that Sofia is possessed by the devil.

Ambitious high school senior Efrain Rodriguez dreams of escaping the South Bronx for an Ivy League college like Harvard or Yale. But how is his family going to afford to pay for a prestigious university when Moms has to work insane hours to put food on the table as it is? And Efrain wouldn't dare ask that good-for-nothing father of his who has traded his family in for younger models. Left with few options, Efrain chooses to do something he never thought he would. He embarks on a double life—honor student by day, drug peddler at night—convinced that by temporarily capitulating to society's negative expectations of a boy like him, he can eventually defy them. Sofia Quintero makes a stunning debut writing for young adults with this gritty, complex, and real exploration of the life of an urban teen whose attempt to leave one world behind for a better one could cost him everything.

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