



Bloom by Kenneth Oppel

Review by Brooke



Sci-fi/Thriller

Recommended for ages 10+

What originally made you interested in reading/watching/playing this media? How did you hear about it or come across it?

I saw it on a summer reading list and I wanted to start reading more so I randomly picked it and read the first book, then the 2nd, then the 3rd.

Is it part of a series? If so, what series is it?

Yes, it's called the Overthrow series

What is this media about? Make sure to give enough interesting details without spoiling too much!

It is about a mysterious plant beginning to bloom all over the island of Salt Spring. Then the plants eventually become deadly, and they're not just on Salt Spring—they're growing all over the world. But then Anaya, Petra and Seth feel a strange but undeniable sense of power and ease when the plants arrive.

Who are the main characters? What makes them interesting or unique?

The main characters are Anaya, Petra and Seth and they all have strange abilities. Petra was born with a tail and Seth was born with wings. Anaya gains a strength for jumping and running, Petra gains an ability to breathe underwater and swim fast, and Seth has razor sharp feathers.

Does this media remind you of anything else you've read/watched/played?

When I was reading it, it wasn't like something I've read before, which is what I like about it.

What type of person might enjoy this media? For example, this book is for someone who likes Percy Jackson, someone who enjoys getting scared, someone who likes a challenge, etc.

I think a person who likes sci-fi, dystopian or the world almost ending type of books would like it.

Did you like this media? Would you recommend it to others? Why or why not?

Yes I like it and I would recommend it to others because it's aliens and science and it's a very interesting book.

Do you like the cover? Does it convey what the media is about?

The cover ties in with the new alien plant that is starting to grow all over the world and I think that it's a good idea to show them inside of it, almost trapped by the plants.

Do you have any last thoughts about this media that you would like to include in your review?

I like how the POV changes between 3 different characters who have different abilities so we can see more views of the story.