

## A book recommendation



### My book recommendation

My favourite book is *The Rest of the Story* by Sarah Dessen. It's the story of a girl called Emma Saylor. Her mother, Waverly, is dead and Emma lives in the city with her father, Matthew, who is a dentist. The family are quite rich. Emma doesn't know her mother's family, but when her father gets married again, she goes to spend the summer where they live, at North Lake. She meets her cousins and her grandmother, Mimi, and she works with them in the family business, a small hotel. At the lake, some people are rich, but others, like her mother's family, aren't rich. Emma makes friends with a boy called Roo and learns secrets\* about her mother and father. This helps her understand who she is.

This is a story about families and love, and it's a great book for the summer holidays. Sarah Dessen understands teenagers very well and I like all her books. I recommend you read it!

\*information that most people don't know

**recommendation (n.)**

when you tell other people that something (a film, a book, a restaurant) is good



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#### ► Subskill: Predicting what a text is about

Pictures can help you understand a text. Look at them before you read.

**1** ★ Before you read, look at the photo and choose the correct option. Do you think the book is about ... ?

- a summer or winter
- b the city or the country
- c people or technology
- d a crowded place or a quiet place

**2** ★★ Read the definition. Then read and listen to a book recommendation and check your answers in exercise 1.

**3** ★★ Who are the people? Read and complete the information with words in the box.

a boy Emma meets Emma's father Emma's mother  
the most important character the writer of the book  
Waverly's mother and Emma's grandmother

**4** ★★★ Are the sentences T (true) or F (false)? Correct the false sentences.

1 Emma lives with her mother.

2 Emma's father is a doctor.

3 Her father's family is rich.

4 Her mother's family have got a shop.

5 Her mother's family are rich.

6 Emma learns new things about her family.

7 This is a good book to read on holiday.

8 This is the only book by Sarah Dessen.

**5** ★★★ Do you want to read this book? Why/Why not?

Name	Who are they?
Emma	the most important character
Matthew	
Waverly	
Mimi	
Roo	
Sarah	