

Unusual Normality

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TEXT SKETCH



WHO

Ishmael Beah, a former child soldier who was forced to fight during Sierra Leone's civil war

WHEN

In 1998, Beah is 17.



WHAT

- Beah comes to the United States as an orphan.
- His parents and brothers were killed in the war.
- His new adoptive mother helps him get into school. There, he sees his differences from the other students.

Give long answers. Use the ACE method. 15pts each.

What happens when he plays paintball?

How do Beah's experiences make him different from the other students?