

Stead, Rebecca. **When You Reach Me**

Recommended for Grades 6-9

Realistic Fiction

After Miranda's best friend Sal starts to ignore her, she discovers a note in her library book, and faces a big challenge. She is getting note after note, soon realizing that the person who is writing the notes knows things that will happen, before they happen. After she shows the first note to her mother, somehow the person who gave her the note finds out, and in the second note tells her not to show the notes to anyone anymore. That freaks her out and she doesn't understand why she is getting these notes. What should she do? The more she gets the notes, the more she comes to believe that she can help save a loved ones death... but how?

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead is a very interesting read. It is a fast read as well, and has a very compelling plot. Once you start reading this book, you will keep reading until the end because it just draws you in. I think this book is mostly for a middle school audience, although some high school students may find it enjoyable. I am in ninth grade and it is one of my favorite books, so other ninth graders may like it as well. This title is definitely worth having in the library's collection as it is a very well written book. I would definitely recommend this title to anyone looking for a good and quick book to read.

-Gabby