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Book Title: Romeo & Juliet

Rate 1-5: 4.5

“*Romeo and Juliet*” is a play written by William Shakespeare about the love of two adolescents from feuding families. The play, “*Romeo and Juliet*,” is known to be a tragedy where the two lovers, Romeo and Juliet, both end up dying towards the end. Romeo, a Montague, and Juliet, a Capulet, both first cross paths when Romeo decides to attend a party at Juliet’s house in disguise. They both fall in love instantaneously and wish to get married as soon as possible. On their path, stands many obstacles that they need to overcome in order to get married and live happily ever after.

I thought the book was fun to read and the plot gives you an emotional ride throughout the whole book. I liked how the book is short and is split up into small scenes throughout the 5 acts. My favorite characters were Romeo and Juliet because of their love story and wanting it to succeed. I was surprised by the sudden change of plot throughout the story where at one point, you think that they are finally going to live a happy romantic life but then there is a sudden turning point.

I would definitely recommend this book to everyone because of how classic of a story “*Romeo and Juliet*” is. Their love story is still talked about to this day and is even used to describe a couple’s love. The book reminds me of another book titled “*Tristan and Isolde*” by

Rosalind Miles because it is about a love story between a knight and a princess who are also from opposing families.