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Book Title: The Marco Effect by Jussi Adler-Olsen

Rating (1-lowest to 5-highest): 5

This book is about a 15 year old immigrant boy named Marco Jameson who is in a clan that goes against his morals and desired way of living. The clan's leader is his own uncle and his father is even a part of it. He ends up escaping but sees something he shouldn't have and gets tied into an investigation that leads him into a life of crime, chaos, pursuits and prejudice.

I think it was a very action packed suspenseful read. I liked how they really zoomed into Marco's conflicting emotions and troubled thoughts. I disliked the characters named Carl who was a lead investigator in the case, and Gordon and Rose who were also part of Department Q. My favorite characters were Marco, because he was very brave throughout the story despite being faced with tough and challenging circumstances, Assad, who's funny personality brought a little bit of joy into serious moments and Tilde, who was one of the few people who didn't completely see Marco as a threat. A part that really surprised me was when who we thought would be Marco's friends, ended up hurting Marco by believing that he was dangerous and held ulterior motives and decided not to take him in anymore.

I would definitely recommend this book! It's a crazy whirl of action that includes very deep moments. People who enjoy crime, action and a book that involves mystery would like this read!