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This book is about a girl named Murial who has been in the foster care system for her whole life. Right as she was born she was put in because her mom was in a bad situation. She had strategically kept a clean record as she was awaiting to “age out” of foster care, she was waiting to be free once she turned eighteen. The book starts when Muir is seventeen, one more year that was all. And as much as she didn't want that to change she met Kira, Sean, and Francine.

I personally loved the book and to think I randomly picked up the book just because I needed to read something. I really loved and connected with the fact that Muir had her whole life planned but at the same time she was so lost. In her suitcase she only carries the essentials from home to home, but she does cheat with a pillowcase full of junk that has lots of meaning. My favorite character funny enough is Muir’s caseworker Jollen because she was so wise and she understood Muir’s situation helping her even though they weren't always together.

I would definitely recommend this book, It is up on my favorites list. It was sad, frustrating, and happy at times but it all made a wonderful book. I do think it is on the mature side so like always I would say 13 years old and up would really enjoy this book. This book kind of reminded me of Spontaneous which might be my next review.