

Jumping the Scratch

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Jaimie has a really big secret. This secret has caused him to withdraw from social life. He's scared to go into the washing room. He has to go through a field with snakes to get home (even though he could've taken the normal road home which was faster). But this is all because of his Big secret. Then he meets a weird girl, who wears glasses without lenses. Only this girl is convinced she can hypnotize people and so she begs Jaimie to become her practice toy. After a lot of convincing he agrees, he thinks that maybe this girl can hypnotize him into FORGETTING what happened to him. So, it's on that special night where Jaimie's secret comes out after months of hiding.

I thought that the book was a tiny bit confusing. The part about Old Gray and Jaimie specially. I couldn't really understand what happened on Christmas. What caused him to grab onto Jaimie's hand so hard. And how come that scared Jaimie so badly he didn't want to meet him? I think that maybe if this book was worked on just a little bit more it would be a good book for libraries to buy. Also, the age groups that would be good for this book are 10-14 years old. Because they should be old enough to read and not be freaked out by weird stuff happening.

However, no worries.. I would definitely recommend this book to my friends. Its interesting and a real page-turner.