Looking for Alaska – John Green

Looking for Alaska is a great book to read in one sitting. The book is split into two parts. The first is all about how Miles, the protagonist, adapts to his new life away from home in college. While at college, Miles meets a girl named Alaska. Alaska is a fun, quirky girl who "smokes to die". She is the type of character you fall in love with right away, before knowing anything about her. This novel is funny but at some points very sad. Miles discovers disturbing news about Alaska and goes on a mission to find answers. As a reader, we follow Miles' journey to find the truth about Alaska. I enjoyed the book because John Green gives the reader as much information as Miles has. When Miles figures out something, so does the reader. This approach keeps the reader guessing until the very last page when all is revealed. Looking for Alaska has a great message about finding out the truth and figuring yourself out.

Review by Dina Castelletto