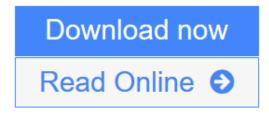


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At age fifteen, Angela Dunne was plucked out of the crowd at her local mall by modeling agent, Olivia Lennox.

After fighting her way to the top, Angela is catapulted into the world of magazine covers, photo shoots, and runway shows. She's traveling the globe, modeling for the best designers, and living the life most girls her age could only dream of.

And it doesn't take long for Angela's rising stardom to go to her head. Being beautiful has become her obsession and her image is all she ever thinks about. Her family is ashamed of her. Friends don't know her anymore. People in general can't stand to be in the same room with her. The new Angela, finds pleasure in belittling those who aren't as fortunate as her in the beauty department and treats those who aren't up to her standards like they are insignificant.

Suddenly, Angela's modeling career comes to a halt after an accident backstage at a runway show. Now, Angela has to come to terms with the fact that she's no longer beautiful on the outside. She's a freak, a monster with a disfigured face. For someone who was once so beautiful on the outside but ugly on the inside, it's up to Angela to dig deep down within herself and discover what the real meaning of beauty is.

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Colette says

I really liked this one and it sends a great message to teens. Review to come.

Tara says

A wonderful read for the preteen/teenager! A beautiful story that is well written with a realistic ending.

Pamela Gold says

What if you were chosen to go from being a nobody to a somebody practically overnight, but in the process, you lost yourself? Beauty is only skin deep.

When I first started reading Pride, I thought Angela was someone I would like to be friends with. Then Angela became a supermodel and her entire persona changed. I hated Angela at that point. I hated her so much I honestly almost stopped reading the book.

Lauren Hammond effectively helps raise awareness about bullying. Pride sends a message. Bullying sucks. Plain and simple, right? If only it were. This is a book I would like to see middle school age students study in class. Students should be allowed to pick it apart. Groups could be formed, bullying and non-bullying, and giant leaps toward students respecting one another could be reached.

You may wonder if your son could get anything from reading this book. I recommend Pride regardless of gender. It begins with love, continues with fierce hatred, and ends on top.

The BookWhisperer says

I usually prefer much of my review to stem from aspects combined required to make a great story. These aspects are things such as well laid storylines, and well defined characters, flow of the story, and how to story makes me feel. Pride as exceled in the majority of those things, but I just could not turn myself to liking this story. I think that another story written, but with different content I would find a five star read. This differentely worth a try if you enjoy more of a girly, girl read.

Savannah (Books With Bite) says

I loved this book! I loved how the transformation of the characters rose then fell. Ms. Hammond did an excellent job in capturing the essence of what happen when it goes to far in your head!

What I like most about this book is the process of the characters from humble to prideful, then the downfall. I really like how the main character Angela, learns her lesson. But she also learns it the hard way. I adore that that Angela and her transformation to prideful person is fast. I like how she takes things far and is not who she was in the beginning. The fall of Angela was a surprise and not what I expected. I thought that maybe she become yesterdays news, but instead it was something worse.

The love interest of this book is sweet and enduring. I like that he was their before and after her fall. I like that he was really with her no matter how big her head got. Now that, is true love. I love that Angela, learn that it is whats on the inside that counts.

Pride is a great book about rising then falling. Never should you think that just because you have something now, does not mean you will have it tomorrow. Be humble and grateful for what you have. Be nice and courteous to everyone no matter who you are. You never know what might happen to you. Ms. Hammond's Pride is a delightful read full of promise and enjoyment!

Official Tamsin says

Very liked the story, but I think the title doesn't fit on the story, I think it should be Airhead Model 101. HAHAHA, Just kidding!

I loved the story, the flow of the story, the lessons of the story and especially the quotes used.

Regina Linton says

This is the second book of Lauren's that I have read. She can really impact your thoughts and bring you into a story really well. This story about a white collar family sort of rags to riches tale is an incredible journey.

Angela didn't think she had much going for her. She couldn't shop like all of her other classmates. She didn't come from much and they didn't let her forget it.

When she was offered a modeling contract, she jumped on it and that is when her entire world changed. She let the fame and money go to her head and started treating everyone how she used to be treated. She became a vapid little monster that no one wanted to deal with.

That was until she butted heads with the wrong person and an unfortunate incident ended her modeling career. Everyone that she pushed away when she was famous took their own time in re-enacting with the wounded starlet.

Angela finally understood that she was wrong in her actions and there was only one person that she could rely on no matter what and that person was there in the end. This is a fabulous story about learning to behave

and be responsible for your actions.

Highly recommended for YA lovers.