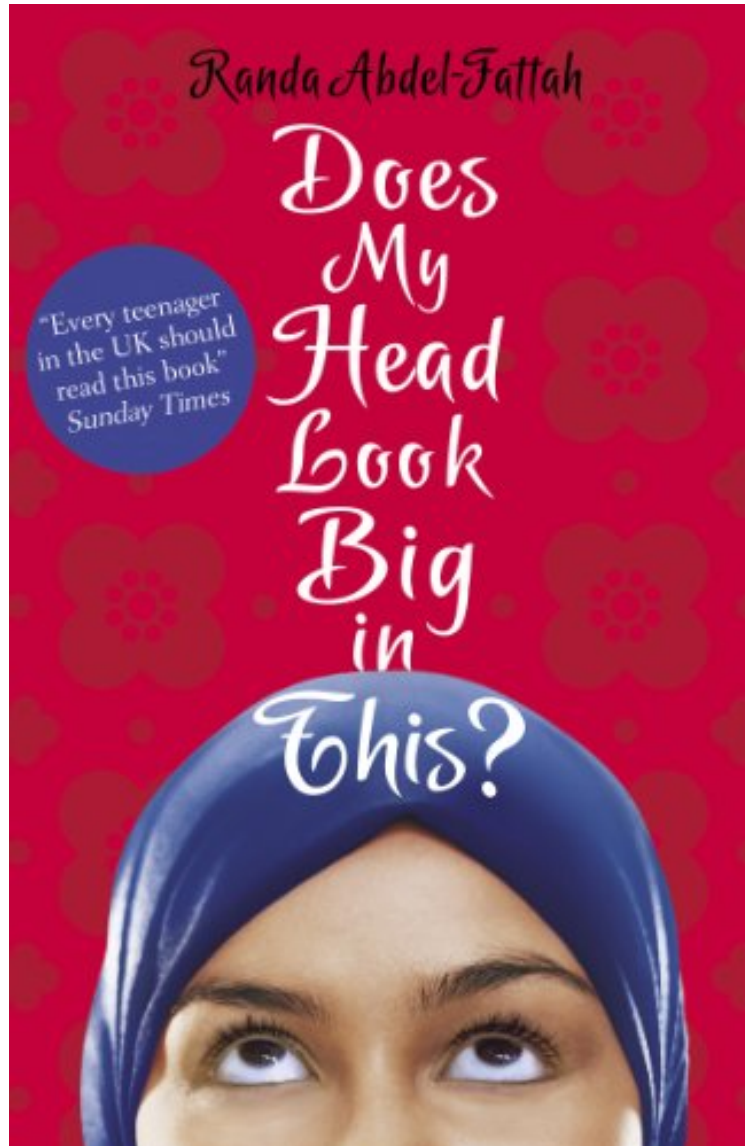


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HEAD LOOK BIG IN THIS? is a book that needed to be written, and one that needs to be read. It definitely fills a gap in young adult literature: it's a story about a normal Muslim girl in a non-Muslim country (Australia) who is not escaping oppression by a fundamentalist government/family or anything like that. Amal is just a normal teenage girl, albeit a Muslim one. She has crushes on boys, she likes to go shopping, she giggles with her friends, and she sometimes argues with her parents or feuds with classmates. However, Amal's life is changed drastically when she makes a major decision: to wear the hijab, the head scarf worn by Muslim women. This would not be nearly such a big deal were she still at school with all of her friends who are also Muslim and some of whom wear the hijab full-time (meaning: whenever she is around men who are not relatives) as well. However, Amal has recently transferred to a very white-bread prep school, where the environment is completely different. Amal is subjected to racism and discrimination by kids whose experience with Muslims has largely been confined to what they see in the media. The reactions she faces at home are not all positive, either, but Amal has made a choice. To her, it is a personal, religious decision, to show her devotion to God; it's not about being oppressed as some of her classmates seem to think, or making any sort of statement. Being a Muslim is a part of who Amal is, but in showing that, she faces things a lot worse than any evangelical Christian I know, and that's a sad commentary on our society. All of that aside, Randa Abdel-Fattah's book is very well-written, and I loved Amal's voice. The characters in this book (particularly Amal) were great. DOES MY HEAD LOOK BIG IN THIS? is actually a little reminiscent of the wonderful LOOKING FOR ALIBRANDI by Melina Marchetta, and that's high praise, indeed! The main characters feel similarly different from their peers, are both Australian, and even have sort of similar voices. This book is more than worth reading; it's a must-read! Reviewed by: Jocelyn Pearce0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Ehrlich und witzig! Von Tuff Amal ist 17 und lebt in Australien. Und als Muslimah hat sie nun beschlossen, das Kopftuch zu tragen. Damit hat Amal neben den typischen Teenie-Problemen auch mit Vorurteilen zu kämpfen, die unweigerlich mit dem Kopftuch und ihrem Glauben, dem Islam, verbunden sind. Nun muss sich aber niemand beim Lesen des Buches vor sprden Religionspredigten fürchten. Randa Abdel-Fattah beschreibt hier vielmehr die Gedanken und Gefühle eines jungen Mädchens, das wie so viele zwischen zwei Kulturen lebt. Und das viel schwungvoller und lustiger, als es jetzt klingen mag. Deshalb werden sich sicher viele im Westen lebende Muslimas wie ich wunderbar mit der sympathischen Hauptfigur identifizieren können. Jeder andere Leser bekommt einen ehrlichen Einblick in das Leben eines modernen muslimischen Mädchens. Randa Abdel-Fattah hat tolle vielseitige Charaktere kreiert und bedient sich überraschend wenig Klischees. Das Buch ist wirklich sehr unterhaltsam und gut geschrieben, sodass ich mir fast schon wünsche, es einmal als Lektüre für den Englisch-Unterricht zu sehen.

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