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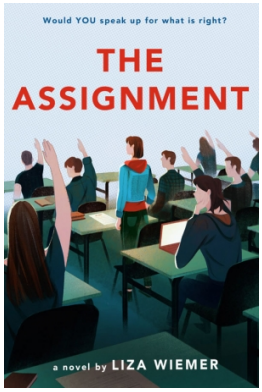

The Assignment by Liza Wiemer

Read Aloud Video

Here is a little background information about our First Chapter Friday title and its creator. Feel free to add your own notes and thoughts in the bottom box.

What's It About?

In the vein of the classic The Wave and inspired by a real-life incident, this riveting novel explores discrimination and antisemitism and reveals their dangerous impact.

SENIOR YEAR. When an assignment given by a favorite teacher instructs a group of students to argue for the Final Solution, a euphemism used to describe the Nazi plan for the genocide of the Jewish people, Logan March and Cade Crawford are horrified. Their teacher cannot seriously expect anyone to complete an assignment that fuels intolerance and discrimination. Logan and Cade decide they must take a stand. As the school administration addressed the teens' refusal to participate in the appalling debate, the student body, their parents, and the larger community are forced to face the issue as well. The situation explodes, and acrimony and anger result. What does it take for tolerance, justice, and love to prevail?

Who Wrote It?

Liza is a Wisconsin author who had a few unique jobs before landing the title of "author". In high school she sold popcorn at a music festival and was also an insurance claims adjuster. Her book, The Assignment, has won many awards including: 2021 Sydney Taylor Notable YA Novel, 2021 YALSA Best Fiction for YA nominee, 2021 Wisconsin State Reading Association Recommended YA Novel, 2020 Nerdy Book Club Best Young Adult Novel winner! A graduate of UW- Madison,

Liza has two married sons and lives in Milwaukee, Wisconsin with her husband, Jim. You can learn more about Liza on her website @ www.lizawiemer.com or through the interview at the end of this video!

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WHAT I THINK

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