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# Uglies

## by Scott Westerfeld



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?

Tally is about to turn sixteen, and she can't wait. In just a few weeks she'll have the operation that will turn her from a repellent ugly into a stunningly attractive pretty. And as a pretty, she'll be catapulted into a high-tech paradise where her only job is to have fun. But Tally's new friend Shay isn't sure she wants to become a pretty. When Shay runs away, Tally learns about a whole new side of the pretty world—and it isn't very pretty. The authorities offer Tally a choice: find her friend and turn her in, or never turn pretty at all. Tally's choice will change her world forever.

The first installment of Scott Westerfeld's New York Times bestselling and award-winning Uglies series—a global phenomenon that started the dystopian trend.

Soon to be a movie on Netflix!

### Who Wrote It?

Scott Westerfeld is me. I'm the author of twenty-five novels. Five are for adults, and the other twenty for young adults. The most famous is the Uglies series. Outside the writing world, I've held such jobs as factory worker (making lead soldiers), substitute teacher, textbook editor, and software designer. I was born in Texas, grew up on all three coasts of the US, and went to Vassar. I married writer Justine Larba-lestier in 2001, and we split our time between New York City and Sydney, Australia.

#### Five Interesting Facts

1. I just bought a telescope (80mm primary)
2. I am a vegetarian (for family reasons, mostly)
3. My book So Yesterday has been



translated into Slovene. 4. Languages studied: Japanese, Spanish, and Latin. Languages fluent in: English. 6. I never wear jeans. Never!

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AR Reading Level: 5.2

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