Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

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.

Read Aloud Video

What's It About?

How can you be yourself when no one sees the real you?

Five students meet in the school cafeteria when they're forced to complete their school community service hours.

There's George: the brain

Sara: the loner

Dayara: the tough kid

Nico: the rich kid

And Miguel, the jock. They immediately know that they have nothing in common with each other... even though their school administration has decided that

they all belong together.

None of the kids wants to be there, and each has their own issues they're dealing with in their life outside of school, But when they encounter someone who truly needs their help, they might just be able to come together to work as a team and help their community—after all.

Who Wrote It?

I grew up in a very small Southern town in the Florida panhandle where I was the only Spanish-speaking kid around. My parents are Cuban and they had decided to teach me
Spanish first (I quickly learned English when I
started school, but Spanish was still spoken at home) and I developed a deep love for both my Cuban roots and my Southern hometown, It was a wonderful childhood filled with memories of riding my bike with friends and reading books up in my treehouse. It was during this time that I secretly dreamed of one day having my own stories published, but I'd never met an author and it didn't seem like it was something people like me actually did... so I tried other things. Eventually I became a lawyer (lots of reading and writing required... just not the fun kind I had done up in my treehouse) and started a family of my own in Miami. It was my sons who ended up inspiring me to pursue my dream of becoming a writer because their love of books reminded me of my own love for stories. So, with the support of my parents, sister,



husband, sons, and large extended family I began to pursue that passion for writing. Now, over a decade later, I am able to share my books with readers all over the world! You can learn more about Christina and her other books over on her website at: www. christinagonzalez.com

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Lexile Level: 260L

AR Reading Level: N/A

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