

## Any Way the Wind Blows

by Rainbow Rowell

Any Way the Wind Blows is a modern fantasy story about love, friendship, family, and magic.

This book is the last book of the Simon Snow trilogy. I would highly recommend this series, the other books being Carry On and Wayward Son. It's important to note that you probably should read the other two books before reading this one, just for context's sake.

Any Way the Wind Blows takes place in London, England in modern day. Simon Snow, Basilton (Baz) Grimm-Pitch, and Penelope (Penny) Bunce have been best friends since graduating from their magical school. Returning from a road trip that changed their lives and made them question everything, the trio finds that their home is not as they left it. When someone new enters the story, Simon, Baz, and Penny aren't sure if they will gain an enemy or a friend. They realize that they have many more challenges to face, even after finishing school.

My favorite parts of Anyway the Wind Blows are the character development and how well the story is written. We constantly see how the characters have changed and grown since we first saw them and how that has affected them. We learn more about these people we think we know as they learn more about themselves. The story is fast-paced, entertaining, intriguing, and all in all a great read.

The most appealing part of this book is probably how well Rainbow Rowell is able to immerse you into the world she has created. The characters feel so real and every emotion that they express, we express it with them. Many times throughout the book we are exposed to the fact that Simon, Baz, Penny, and every other character are not perfect, and they don't pretend to be. This book is a great read for anyone who enjoys feeling like a part of the story that they are reading.

-Emelia, Age 14

