



## The Sun is Also a Star

by Nicola Yoon

One whole day to fall in love with a person you only just met. Do you think it's possible?

This book was adapted into a movie in 2018. Nicola Yoon has written some other popular books like *Everything, Everything* and *Instructions for Dancing*.

This book follows two teenage main characters, a Jamaican-born girl Natasha Kingsley and An Asian American boy Daniel Bae. This story takes place on the streets of New York. Natasha is a girl who only believes in science and facts, not fate or coincidences, especially since she is going to be deported back to Jamaica in twelve hours because of trouble her father got into. With Daniel, he always follows what his parents want for him, like becoming a doctor and going to college. Although, he is really a dreamer. His dream is to be a poet, and when he meets Natasha, it really makes him feel like his dreams could come true.

I enjoyed this book so very much! I was sick at home when I read this book, and I actually was so engaged in the story that I accidentally finished the whole book in one day! I loved the format of the book. It was a POV for each character, and it was beautifully written. I really loved having a Black girl as the main character, and the way Daniel described her skin, her curls, voice, and everything he loved about her was honestly quite beautiful to see and read. This book talks about so many issues in society and cultures like immigration, interracial relationships, the American dream, parent/child relationships, sibling rivalry, and fitting in, especially as a POC (person of color). When Daniel first sees Natasha, he instantly feels a connection with her and wants to get to know her, but Natasha is not so easily swooned. They finally meet up again after a few funny events occur and they land in a coffee shop. After some time they get a glimpse into each other's personality and it's kind of funny, but also cute how they talk to each other. So many events occur in one day that it felt like they hadn't been together for only 12 hours. The whole book was just amazing and so fun to read. With me, I am always only on my phone, but this book made me put it down for the whole day because I was so intrigued.

I thought it was kind of ironic that I finished the whole book in one day and the story is all happening in one day as well! This riveting, heartwarming book took me into a different world. I felt the words, I felt the emotions. This book is great for people who love the comedic, but cute side of romantic stories. This book has a hint of cheesiness and heartwarming feelings, but as a heads-up, the end of this story was not at all heartwarming because you will definitely bawl your eyes out! I know from experience!

-Victoria, age 13

