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BOOK RESUME: AN ABUNDANCE OF KATHERINES

BOOK SYNOPSIS

When it comes to relationships, Colin Singleton's type is girls named Katherine. And when it comes to girls named Katherine, Colin is always getting dumped. Nineteen times, to be exact. On a road trip miles from home, this anagram-happy, washed-up child prodigy has ten thousand dollars in his pocket, a bloodthirsty feral hog on his trail, and an overweight, Judge Judy-loving best friend riding shotgun—but no Katherines. Colin is on a mission to prove The Theorem of Underlying Katherine Predictability, which he hopes will predict the future of any relationship, avenge Dumpees everywhere, and finally win him the girl. Love, friendship, and a dead Austro-Hungarian archduke add up to surprising and heart-changing conclusions in this ingeniously layered comic novel about reinventing oneself.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★ “Fully fun, challengingly complex and entirely entertaining.”

—*Kirkus*, starred review

★ “Laugh-out-loud funny...a coming-of-age American road trip that is at once a satire of and tribute to its many celebrated predecessors.” —*Horn Book*, starred review

★ “The laugh-out-loud humor ranges from delightfully sophomoric to subtly intellectual.” —*Booklist*, starred review

“Imagine an operating room at the start of a daring but well-rehearsed procedure and you will have something of the atmosphere of “An Abundance of Katherines”: every detail considered, the action unrolling with grace and inevitability.” —*New York Times Book Review*

“Funny, sweet, and unpredictable.” —*The Minneapolis Star Tribune*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- A YALSA Michael L. Printz Award Winner
- An ALA YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults selection
- A *Horn Book* Fanfare Best Book of the Year
- A *Booklist* Editors' Choice
- A *Kirkus Reviews* Best Book of the Year
- A Pacific Northwest Library Association Young Reader's Choice Award selection

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