



Title: The Sky Is Everywhere

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BOOK RESUME: THE SKY IS EVERYWHERE

BOOK SYNOPSIS

Adrift after her sister Bailey's sudden death, Lennie finds herself torn between quiet, seductive Toby—Bailey's boyfriend who shares Lennie's grief—and Joe, the new boy in town who bursts with life and musical genius. Each offers Lennie something she desperately needs. One boy helps her remember. The other lets her forget. And she knows if the two of them collide, her whole world will explode.

As much a laugh-out-loud celebration of love as a nuanced and poignant portrait of loss, Lennie's struggle to sort her own melody out of the noise around her makes for an always honest, often uproarious, and absolutely unforgettable read.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★"This is distinguished by the dreamy California setting and poetic images that will draw readers into Lennie's world."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

★"It's romantic without being goopy and tear-jerking without being campy—what more could a reader want?"—*Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*, starred review

★"This is a passionate, vulnerable, wonderfully complete and irresistible book."—*VOYA*, starred review

"Nelson's first novel is tender, romantic, and loaded with passion."—*The Horn Book*

"The author brilliantly navigates Lennie's course between despair and hope, sorrow and humor... a gripping love triangle."—*Shelf Awareness*

"In this amazing tale of love and loss, Nelson introduces a cast of characters who make the reader laugh and cry."—NPR's *The Roundtable*

"Nearly everyone who's staggering through life in the wake of a loved one's death will recognize themselves in this brilliant, piercing story."—*The Denver Post*

"[Nelson] writes with abandon... it's a headlong kind of book, preferably devoured at a single setting."—*Los Angeles Times*

"Brimming with humor and life, full of music and the poems Lennie drops all over town, *The Sky is Everywhere* explores betrayal and forgiveness through a vibrant cast of characters."—*School Library Journal*

"Those who think young adult books can't be as literary, rich, and mature as their adult counterparts will be disabused of that notion after reading *The Sky is Everywhere* . . . A finely-drawn portrait of grief and first love."—*The Daily Beast*

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"A story of love, loss, and healing that will resonate with readers long after they've finished reading."—*Booklist*

"A story about love and loss . . . both heartfelt and literary."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Sky is both a profound meditation on loss and grieving and an exhilarating and very sexy romance. The book deserves multiple readings simply to savor Nelson's luscious language."—NPR (chosen by Gayle Forman as one of the top five teen reads of the year)

"How grief and love run side by side is sensitively and intensely explored in this energetic, poetic, and warm-blooded novel."—*The Guardian*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- A YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adult selection
- A Junior Library Guild selection
- A *Publishers Weekly* Flying Start
- A *Horn Book* Fanfare selection
- An Arkansas Teen Book Award selection
- A Georgia Peach Book Award for Teen Readers selection
- An Illinois Abraham Lincoln High School Award selection
- An Iowa High School Book Award selection
- A Missouri Gateway Readers Award selection
- A New Jersey Garden State Teen Award selection
- A Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award selection
- A Rhode Island Teen Book Award selection
- A South Carolina SCASL Young Adult Book Award selection
- A Texas TAYSHAS Book Award selection

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [TeachingBooks.net resources](https://www.teachingbooks.net)

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