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Dear Readers,

Of this magazine, what you are about to read is an inside look on my life, with contents like my educational history, my various interests, and my most cherished passion. As you all know, I'm now a high school student, which is a bigger accomplishment than people make it out to be, 9 years of learning already behind you. At the beginning of my school career, I was just learning to speak English and now I have progressed to entering high school. I spent a lot of time contemplating what high school would be like and so far none of my expectations were fulfilled, but maybe it's a matter of time? I am excited to see what high school will be like, what will be my favorite and least favorite parts. A little bit about me is that I went to the same school K-8 (Bridesburg) where I hadn't had the opportunity to join clubs because of the lack of them. I grew up speaking Polish primarily, my whole family being from there, and so I learned to speak English when I first started school. Anyways, I'm so glad I get to share all these pieces of myself with you all.

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Sincerely,
Amelia (Editor, Creator)

Educational History

"The essays for move-up day are due by May 16." I didn't think anything about this as the teacher said. After class my teacher asked to see me and I stayed after and she said that I would be an amazing fit for this position because of my writing skills. I didn't feel the same as her because I had a fear of public speaking so I knew I wouldn't be able to do it. I sort of ignored her statement until near the due date when she told me to stay after class and had told me she wanted to talk about my move up day speech. "I was so nervous because I didn't want to do the speech so I hadn't even thought about it. My teacher asked me if I had worked on it and I told her that I was going to drop out because I didn't think I would be good enough to speak in front of the whole grade and their parents. My teacher had said that it wouldn't make sense to put such talent to waste because of my fear. When I went home, I realized that if I wanted to do my speech I would have to do it fast because it was due tomorrow and so I sat at my computer putting together a speech. When I went to school the next day, in reading class, I showed my teacher my speech and she said it was very good, but I still didn't think that I would win the contest. so I sat and waited. As we were nearing our graduation date. one day, my teacher said that she had an announcement to make to the class. She stood in front of the board and said "Congratulations to Amelia for winning the move up day speech contest" I was confused. I wasn't supposed to win? I had won? All that information sank in at once. I would have to stand in front of the whole grade, teachers, and parents and say my speech. I didn't know what I would do. It was the day before move up day and all I could think about was that I would have to do a speech in front of everyone. I practiced in my room. like my teacher had said, until I felt like my tongue was going to fall off. The day was finally here, I have never been so nervous in my life. After we were done doing the pledge of allegiance, my teacher had said my name and called me up to the stage. I was shaking from my nervousness. I went up there and started saying my speech. I could feel my nerves easing but I could also feel my speaking speed getting faster. I was done. I felt as if a weight had been lifted from my shoulders. I got off the stage and sat down. The rest of the ceremony went over smoothly also. When the ceremony was done my English teacher came up to me and told me how great I was and how she was so proud of me and most importantly I felt relieved, because it wasn't even half as bad as what I expected.

AMELIA'S 
★ PLAYLIST

In the Night - The Weeknd

Tightrope - Zayn

Sunny Day - Beabadoobee

Escape From LA - The Weeknd

Outside - Zayn

Movies - Conan Gray

Amandla's Interlude - Steve Lacy

For Lovers - Lamp

Glide - cover - Mitski

Amber - Steve Lacy

Birds Dont Sing - TV Girl

Behind The Moon Shadow - Lamp

My Passion

"What do you like to do in your free time?" The first word that comes to mind are books. Ever since I was little I would always have a book in my hand. The thing about books is that they offer so many genres, so many different subjects, and so many different storylines. My favorite type of book would have to be a book where when you are finished reading it, you can continue to interpret it as you wish, thinking about how something small at the beginning of the book impacted the overall ending and plot of the book. Books give you a bigger chance to relax after your day and transport yourself into the setting and plot of whatever book your reading, with the detailed words that make you almost feel as if you are standing in the book, waiting for the next thing to happen, just as unsuspecting as the main character of the story. You wait anxiously for the person to walk up the steps, or to open the door. Books have always been a part of me since I was a little kid, reading books that my family sent me from Poland, even when I was still learning to read. When I started school, I expanded my reading as I started to read in English as well. I immediately knew that this was my favorite thing to do as I would sit and wait for the school bus, with a book in my hand, not paying attention to anything around me. Reading is also an extremely helpful passion to have as I didn't have to study for various spelling tests, because I was reading and these words appeared often in my books so I didn't have to study and memorize the spelling of those words, instead i recognized the overall pattern of these words in my head and i wrote them down on the page just as i remembered them from the pages of my books. However, I do not only read books, it is definitely one of my favorite activities to read while listening to my favorite music. As I get to enjoy my music, it soothes me as I get to read my latest book. I love to talk about different interpretations and theories of books and other thoughts people might have about the books I read. People usually associate reading as boring but the truth is most of the time they haven't actually read a good book because a good book leaves your brain to imagine the words that are written on the page as a movie in your head. if you had asked me what my favorite books were i would have to say girl in pieces, the caraval trilogy, the summer i turned pretty, and norwegian wood. Each of these are so different from each other yet all of them showcasing their storyline in different ways, because no matter what you read, it will always be different from the other.

Book Review

Girl in Pieces

This is truly one of the saddest books I have ever read. Normally I wouldn't have picked up a book like this because of the sensitive topics of this book, however I would constantly hear about how good this book is and I don't regret it even a bit. This book is definitely sad and definitely carries sensitive topics so I won't discuss too much about what the book is about and if you are going to read this book, I definitely recommend it but I also recommend to look into the content warnings beforehand. Girl in pieces is a story about a girl who moves out of a hospital and decides to move to a new town. There she is met with a new job and new people. She meets a guy named Riley who she soon finds out isn't the best fit for her as she finds out he has a second life that she doesn't know about. This story was definitely extremely sad but at times you forget about it since it is so well written, It makes you forget about how sad the story actually is. The story is very well written and it describes the story very well to the point that you simply can't put the book down because you want to know what happens next, especially at the plot twist near the end. The book is definitely worth the time in my opinion. If I could only have 5 books to read for the rest of my life this would definitely be my first. Highly recommend it!



