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PATRICE
LAWRENCE

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PATRICE LAWRENCE

BOOK REVIEWS

AWARD-WINNER



FEATURING

Patrice Lawrence MBE

PATRICE LAWRENCE IS AN AWARD-WINNING WRITER. HER DEBUT YA NOVEL, ORANGEBOY, WON THE BOOKSELLER YA PRIZE AND THE WATERSTONES PRIZE FOR OLDER CHILDREN'S FICTION AND WAS SHORTLISTED FOR THE COSTA CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD. HER SUBSEQUENT NOVELS HAVE BEEN MUCH ACCLAIMED AND FREQUENT VISITORS TO PRIZE LISTS.

PATRICE WAS BORN IN BRIGHTON, RAISED IN AN ITALIAN-TRINIDADIAN FAMILY IN MID-SUSSEX, AND NOW LIVES ON THE SOUTH COAST.

PATRICE WAS AWARDED AN MBE FOR SERVICES TO LITERATURE IN THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS 2021

"I've tried all sorts of things. I've tried writing sci-fi. I've tried writing romance stories, older stories, younger stories...just try so many different things and see what you enjoy doing"

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-ORANGEBOY-

NOT COOL ENOUGH, NOT CLEVER ENOUGH, NOT STREET ENOUGH FOR ANYONE TO NOTICE ME. I WAS THE KID PEOPLE LOOKED STRAIGHT THROUGH.

NOT ANY MORE. NOT SINCE MR ORANGE.

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD MARLON HAS MADE HIS MUM A PROMISE - HE'LL NEVER FOLLOW HIS BIG BROTHER, ANDRE, DOWN THE WRONG PATH. SO FAR, IT'S BEEN EASY, BUT WHEN A DATE ENDS IN TRAGEDY, MARLON FINDS HIMSELF HUNTED. THEY'RE AFTER THE MYSTERIOUS MR ORANGE, AND THEY'RE GOING TO USE MARLON TO GET TO HIM. MARLON'S OUT OF CHOICES - CAN HE BECOME THE PERSON HE NEVER WANTED TO BE, TO PROTECT EVERYONE HE LOVES?

TILL_FIND.MY.KID.A.BOOK READ IT AGED 12

NEEDLE IS ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS I HAVE EVER READ! THE STORY WAS SHORT BUT FELT FULL OF DRAMA AND ACTION - I CAN'T TELL YOU DETAILS AS I DON'T WANT TO SPOIL IT.

I REALLY ENJOY REALISTIC BOOKS AND THIS WAS DEFINITELY REALISTIC - IT FELT IT COULD BE REAL. THE STORY IS ABOUT A TEENAGE GIRL LIVING WITH A FOSTER MUM AND ALL SHE WANTS IS TO SEE KANDI HER YOUNGER SISTER, BUT AS THINGS GO ON IT SEEMS LIKE THAT COULD NEVER EVER HAPPEN. I COULD REALLY UNDERSTAND CHARLENE'S FEELINGS ABOUT MISSING HER SISTER AS I REALLY REALLY LOVE MY LITTLE SISTER AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD DO WITHOUT HER, SO I REALLY EMPATHIZED WITH CHARLENE.

IT WAS A REALLY SAD BOOK AND THE WHOLE SITUATION FEELS SO UNFAIR. I DON'T THINK KIDS GET A STRONG ENOUGH VOICE IN SITUATIONS LIKE THIS. NONE OF THE BAD STUFF WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF THE ADULTS HAD JUST SEEN IT FROM CHARLENE'S POINT OF VIEW. PEOPLE ARE TOO QUICK TO JUDGE.

I FEEL LIKE THERE NEEDS TO BE A PART 2 AS I JUST WANT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO CHARLENE AND IF THINGS WORK OUT.

I THINK EVERYONE SHOULD READ IT!
TOTALLY A 5 STAR BOOK!

FROM THE MULTI-AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR OF ORANGEBOY, COMES A YA ROAD-TRIP MYSTERY.

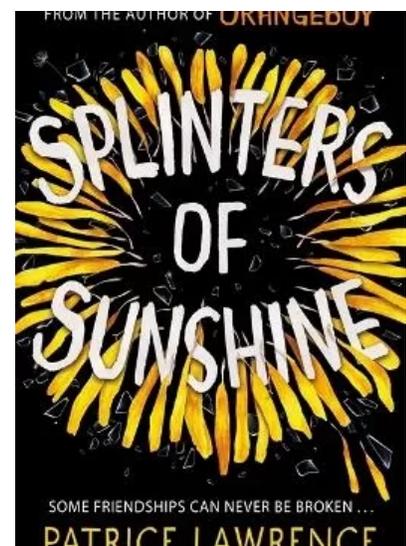
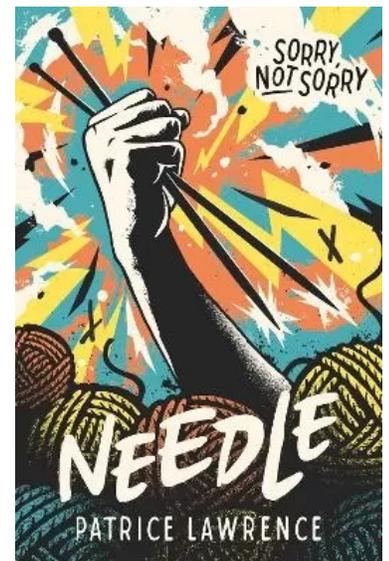
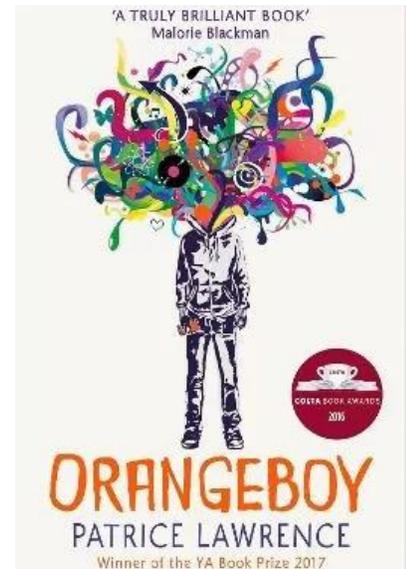
I PICK UP THE ENVELOPE... AS I RIP DOWN THE SIDES, THERE'S LOADS OF PAPER BURSTING OUT; STUCK ON FLOWERS, DANDELIONS, ROSES...

SPEY RECENTLY RECEIVED TWO SURPRISES. THE FIRST: HIS EX-PRISONER DAD TURNING UP UNANNOUNCED, AND THE SECOND: A MYSTERIOUS PACKAGE CONTAINING TORN-UP PAPER FLOWERS.

SPEY INSTANTLY RECOGNISES IT AS A COLLAGE HE MADE WITH HIS OLD FRIEND DEE, AND DECIDES SHE MUST BE IN DANGER, BUT THERE ARE NO CLUES TO HER WHEREABOUTS.

THERE'S ONLY ONE PERSON HE KNOWS WHO CAN HELP TO TRACK HER DOWN... ON A ROAD TRIP LIKE NO OTHER, WILL SPEY AND HIS DAD FIND DEE, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE?

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Wondering how [@patricelawrence](#) got on with her Empathy Resolution?

Watch her [#EmpathyActionMonth](#) video this November! She'll also discuss the social action themes in her book, Needle. A school group from [@Pentrehafod](#) will feature!

More: empathylab.uk/empathy-action...
[@barringtonstoke](#)

Empathy Action Month 2022
empathylab.uk

New videos every TUESDAY

 1 Nov	Phil Earle Empathy Action Month launch and call to action Book: When the Sky Falls	
 8 Nov	Kate Milner Food poverty and direct action Book: It's a No Money Day Pembroke Dock Community School	
 15 Nov	Patrice Lawrence Friendship and children in care Book: Needle School: Pentrehafod	
 22 Nov	Ben Davis Small changes with big results Book: The Soup Movement School: Henry Tudor School	
 29 Nov	Rashmi Sirdeshpande How we can all get involved in social action Book: How to Change the World School: Moorlands Primary	

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