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Geek Girl by Holly Smale

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Harriet Manners, a 15 year old schoolgirl, is a geek. Not alike from the others, she is not cool and trendy, doesn't like fashion and gets bullied a lot by schoolmates. Natalie, Harriet's best friend, who is totally different from Harriet – she dreams to be a model. Once, Nat drags Harriet on a school trip to a clothes festival, where Harriet has a few embarrassing accidents and unexpectedly spotted by a model agency. In order to get rid of the bullies and have a better role instead of a geek, Harriet quickly signed and flew to Moscow for a fashion show. She decided to lie to Natalie because she doesn't want to hurt her feeling – she thinks that stealing her best friend's chance may break their friendship. She also lied to her mother, Annabel, for escaping from the house with her supporter, her dad. But when she comes home from Russia, Harriet realized she was wrong. So then Harriet is busy rebuilding the relationships between Natalie and her mum. All kinds of experiences like this makes Harriet learns the importance of trust, and also turns her from geek to chic.

In this book, you can share happiness from Harriet, feeling sorry for her fail, and being angry when she was mocked by others... The novel is touching and inspiring, it truly expresses the inner struggle of a teenage girl. I also learn lessons from the book, the main theme is that trustfulness is the most important key to build all kinds of relationships since trustfulness is priceless.