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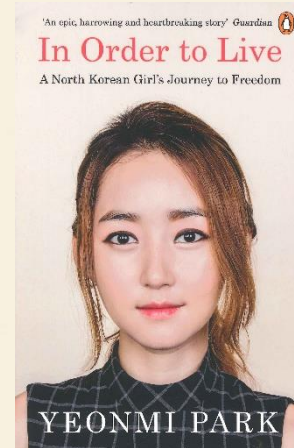
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Good Book Sharing - F6B Law Yuk Yi

IN ORDER TO LIVE

Author: Yeonmi Park

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Talking about North Korea, what is the first thing pops up in your mind, Starvation? Nuclear weapons? Or Kim Jong-un?

Yeonmi, our main character was born in North Korea. Starvation, death could be a normal life to her, but to survive, to get a freedom, to find her lost sister, she decided to take the risk, escape from North Korea. And this book revealed not only the hard time in North Korea, but also how Yeonmi live in South Korea.

There is a saying from this book that touches me the most. I never knew that happiness could come from knowledge. When I was young, my dream was to have one bucket of bread. But Now I started to dream great dreams. This was said from Yeonmi when she escaped North Korea and just get in to the University in South Korea. It seems to be simply telling the changes of a dream. But it also revealed the hard time in North Korea. Just imagine when you're small what's your dream? Maybe become a successful person when you grow up? Or maybe playing all day long without anyone disturbing you? That's what common kids think. It's hard to imagine that How could there be a child's dream, that is simply for the necessities of life, simply for survival? Just when we, Hong Kong students complaining too much homework, too much stress. In contrast,our main character Yeonmi is eager to go to school, keen on learn, passionate about using knowledge to change her fortune. Not everyone has a chance to learn just like Yeonmi when she was in North Korea. Therefore we should cherish our time, cherish every moment of learning, cherish every chance to use knowledge to become a better us.