### Keedie

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## **ABOUT THE BOOK**

Her twin sister Nina seems to care more about being popular, and Keedie knows her little sister Addie is more similar to her than her family knows. When she starts standing up to people's bullies for them, everyone wants her to pretend nothing is wrong with the way things are in Juniper.



## OUR THOUGHTS

"A brilliant story with a fiery protagonist who stands up to the bullies around her and supports others who are being victimised. A powerful yet emotional read about living with autism."



#### THEMES:

Autism • Bullying

Justice • Friendship • Families

## TIME TO TALK

- 1 Early in the book, Keedie states that she doesn't like bullies. Does she deal with bullying in the correct way?
- What motivates Keedie to stand up against bullying? Discuss her bold and brave personality and how she fights for those who have been hurt both physically and mentally.
- 3 How does Keedie's autism impact her life as a teenager? What challenges does she face and how does she deal with them?
- 4 Was it right for Keedie to charge pupils in her school who were being bullied? Why did the pupils turn to her instead of an adult?
- 5 Keedie has a twin sister called Nina. How and why has their relationship changed since they were little kids?

- **6** What role does Keedie play in her town of Juniper? How does she make a difference and what impact does she have on the community?
- 7 How do Keedie's antics on the catwalk change the way that people view her? What made her behave in such an irresponsible way?
- **8** What are the main conflicts in Keedie?
- 9 What have you learned about neurodiversity and how has reading Keedie changed your understanding of autism?
- 10 What do you think will happen to the population of the world in the future? Should humans consider moving and living on other planets to solve the problem?

# TAKE THE TEXT FURTHER WITH OUR TOP 5 TITLES TO CONTINUE THE THEME:

