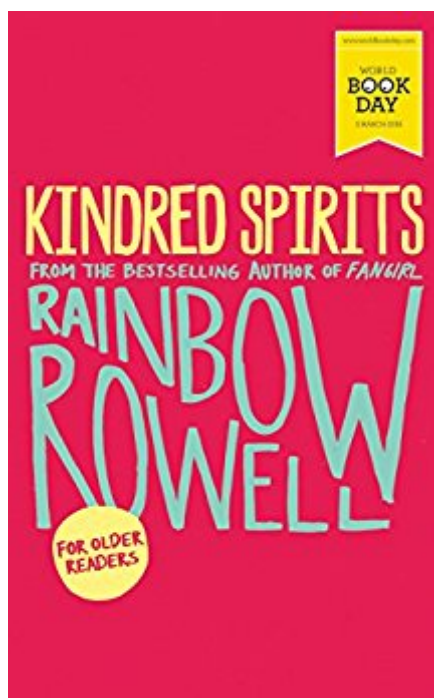


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Kindred Spirits: World Book Day Edition 2016



Synopsis

'Everybody likes everything these days. The whole world is a nerd.' 'Are you mad because other people like Star Wars? Are you mad because people like me like Star Wars?' 'Maybe.' If you broke Elena's heart, Star Wars would spill out. So when she decides to queue outside her local cinema to see the new movie, she's expecting a celebration with crowds of people who love Han, Luke and Leia just as much as she does. What she's not expecting is to be last in a line of only three people; to have to pee into a collectible Star Wars soda cup behind a dumpster or to meet that unlikely someone who just might truly understand the way she feels. *Kindred Spirits* is an engaging short story by Rainbow Rowell, author of the bestselling *Eleanor & Park*, *Fangirl* and *Carry On*, and is part of a handful of selected short reads specially produced for World Book Day.

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Customer Reviews

What a beautiful short story. And it's about Star Wars. What else can you possibly want? Well I tell you - for it to be a book. But well, one can't have everything. Definitely worth reading, because

everything Rainbow Rowell touches turns to gold. She's a true wordsmith, able with just only few pages show us something different. The main characters are super likable and cute. No insta-love, no abusive stalkerish creeper dudes. Just a cute, contemporary story that will leave you with this stupid "awwww" grin on your face. My only complaint is that it is not 96 pages, as it's stated. It's only about 60 pages long. 20% of that is a first preview chapter of a book that I have no intent of buying. And also, I have no idea why the cover says that this is for older readers, because I found nothing shocking or inappropriate in it that would be not suitable for younger readers.

The Book Return Blog Read this review and more on my blog. This 'book' is really a short story. The story itself is sixty-two pages. The rest is the first chapter of another book by another author. So I'm going to make this review short and sweet. Rainbow Rowell is one of my favorite authors. Although I am not a big short story reader, I wanted to read 'Kindred Spirits' because of that. It's basically about a girl named 'Elena' and her experience standing in line waiting for a 'Star Wars' movie but she gets in line like three days in advance and there are only two other people in line. It follows a premise that I have often thought was interesting. Sometimes you meet people by happenstance and never see them again but for a short time they were a part of your life. ã Also, this story is hilarious. I laughed every time Elena's mother drove by I also loved the idea of 'line rules'. Although, it says on the cover, for 'older readers' this could also be a young adult story.

Oh my god I do not miss the days of waiting in lines for movies to come out. I have so many memories of my teenage years waiting like 8-10 hours with my friends for the Harry Potter and Xmen films. Assigned seating is the absolute best. Anyways this is cute, it's Rainbow Rowell and the proceeds go to the ACLU. Of course I read it.

Been waiting awhile to read this since I heard about it sometime last year. Rainbow Rowell could write a story about someone going grocery shopping and could probably make it charming and enjoyable. Of the two short stories of hers I've read I'm so glad she's primarily a novel writer, because I always want more of her characters. Sorry of makes me want to sit in line for the next Star Wars movie...though I don't think my time in line would be anything as enjoyable as Elena's (minus peeing in a cup)

I love Rainbow Rowell's realistic fiction. Once again she takes young people who are a little awkward and by putting them together (in a 3-person line for a Star Wars Sequel debut), and gives

them something to overcome, they become friends. Hard truths are exchanged over the four days in line, including the fact that days-long waits to see a Star Wars debut have ceased to be a thing. Layered with irony, little bits of the magic of Star Wars are woven into the novel.

Okay. Is this just about the cutest novella ever, or what?!? Rainbow Rowell sure knows how to captivate an audience, and *Kindred Spirits* is no exception. This is a charming, original story about a girl after my own heart, who decides to wait in line for four days before the *The Force Awakens* premiere. I love so many things about this quirky novella – The setting, which I found brilliant and true to life (having waited absurdly early for a show or two in my lifetime – I’m no stranger to the strangely empty line that forms when you arrive way too early for something). The characters, who were truly adorkable (I’m looking at you, Gabe. I’m looking at you.). And the seamless integration of Star Wars throughout the story. It was a brilliant move to choose the latest Star Wars release as the cultural phenomenon Elena, Troy and Gabe rally around and band together over. I found myself laughing at some of the references, and my heart swelled with pride with Elena defended their fangirling without a single speck of shame. Fangirls (and boys) are awesome, and Rainbow Rowell is the QUEEN of portraying them accurately in all their fun, fierce and loyal charms. This is a great novella for anyone who loved Fangirl or who just happens to be a Fangirl (or boy). It was totally worth ordering from the UK, and I would do it again in a heartbeat.

A cute short story from Rainbow Rowell about diehard fans in Omaha waiting in line to see the next installment of Star Wars. I finished it in less than an hour but a nice reminder of the storytelling that she does.

I got this awhile back from to fulfill my Rainbow Rowell collection and after reading it I was not disappointed. It was really interesting reading about what it can be like nowadays to stand in a line for a long time and how close you can get to people as well as the people you meet in unexpected ways. I only wish it were more like what happened after the movie etc. But again that is my personal opinion. A little gem that I enjoyed was the sneak peek of *Beautiful Broken* things by Sara Barnard which I didn't know was in there and that it was the same book @lottiesbookshelf got me for Christmas this year so coincidence I think not :P what I read of that in here sounds really good too so I'll read that soon too. I would rate this 4 1/2 stars out of

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only because I wish there was more.

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