

Five Point Someone : What not to do at IITs

Introduction.

~ Chetan Bhagat

"Five point Someone" is one of those books everyone keeps talking about, which is why I picked up. It has thus far become a cultural phenomenon among Indian students, especially with college kids. Chetan Bhagat brought out his debut novel back in 2004. Initially, light hearted comedy in campus was what I expected; however, the title "What not to do at IITs" made me curious about the disastrous experiences awaiting within the pages.

Summary

The three boys Hari, Ryan Oberoi, and Alok Gupta, attending the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology, find their lives with GPAs nearly around five out of ten. This book tells us about their journey peppered with engineering mistakes as it lays down the yardstick - the only way worth for measuring a man as an engineering.

Ryan, the most charismatic troublemaker, was the one who questions the senseless treadmill of rote learning. Alok really was having too much impressive

Academec to land a good job. And Hari, Confused by the two rates, complicates his situation even more by falling in love with the daughter of strict department head Prof. Cherean, Neha.

In the way through their undergraduate years, the friends find themselves in a hilarious adventure: attempting to steal an exam paper - an act with wide-ranging implications. All the while, they contemplate whether they have become their GPAs, challenging a rigid educational system that measures memorization over creativity and innovation.

Analysis and Opinion:

This is also a pretty nice part of the book that catches the life of an Indian college. The writing of Chetan is so relatable and engaging, even sometimes convincing, making it feel even more real that Ryan is an example of the system challenger. "I refuse to let my GPA determine my intelligence!" Ryan's rebuttal very much represents the criticism against the novel against an education system that turns into a number everything human potential can be.

Later, Ryan said that he thought education was meant for understanding and not just for the examination

Point of view, which perfectly fits the central theme of questioning conventional metrics of success by such an assertion.

Personal Connection:

As a first-year B.Tech student, this book hit close to me. The characters' struggle to find their feet in a demanding college environment mirrors what many freshers, including myself, go through. While I haven't lost sight of my goals yet, the story showed how easy it is to get caught up in distractions and let things spiral out of control. It reminded me to stay grounded and strike the right balance from the start.

Conclusion:

"Five Point Someone" is one book that I vigorously recommend for anyone who has been to college or has ever thought about what success means. It is a good book for students and teachers, as it shows the human face of academic pressures. Although it is set in the 90s, friendship and rebellion are themes we can still relate to today. The author's style enables us to connect with the characters and their stories in a very intimate way.

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