My life had just turned into a whirlwind of problems and confusion, I just got dropped off far away from home to further my education and attend a college in a whole different state as a freshman. College as I experienced it is just a rollercoaster ride of unrecognizable faces all trying there hardest to enjoy life and make the best out of the opportunity presented to them and I, Alex Skye, had no idea how overwhelming college could be, but balancing academics and social life isn’t the biggest problem I have to face.

At first it started as a flicker, I would hear thoughts that weren’t mind. In the beginning I thought I was just daydreaming…imagining that something so bizarre was happening, but it turns out my silly daydream was turning into a reality. Fleeting thoughts would drift into my mind at odd times of the day and the craziest part were that they didn’t pertain to anything I was a part of or doing. It started off as simple things like “I wonder what I got on my math mid-term” or “I should wear that gray dress tomorrow” which are normal everyday thoughts. However I was not in a math class and I don’t own any dresses. Once I sat down and focused on it I realized I was able to hear the thoughts of my friends around me. There’s definitely a cliché of someone awakening a hidden super power and taking advantage of it or always dreaming of having a super power, but that’s not me, I don’t want to live a life of grandiose. I just want to be a simple person living a simple life…what makes me so different from everyone else?

Once I started focusing more and more on the invasive thoughts entering my mind, it was like a stereo was turned onto full blast inside my head. Once a small irritating akin to a raspy whisper was now a thunderous roar of opinions and thoughts that aren’t mine to hear. This power that was unluckily placed into my possession is now my greatest gift and my biggest regret. How could I not take advantage of telepathy? It’s impossible to live through life and not use this power to make a difference in the world and that’s exactly what I did, first on campus, then on a state scale.