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The story is about five youngsters who arrive at Dexter College in Maine. The college is small and located at a quiet town. I am sure that you may have heard about "Gossip Girl" before and this book is written by the same author. Therefore, this book is mainly about these five youngsters' scandal school life which is complicated, especially their relationship with each other.

Shipley is the main character of the story. She is beautiful and blond. Her brother, Patrick is naughty and he rarely goes home. Shipley's parents do not want her to do the same thing as Patrick. However, Shipley was tired of doing the right thing in the shadow of the brother who had always done the wrong thing. In my opinion, Shipley is not clever as she should know which is better for her. She cannot use her brother as an excuse and do whatever she wants. I think she should cherish her gift and her appearance too. One example is that she smokes and actually smoking would destroy her and also her health. She should think twice about her future.

Besides, there are other characters that I am concerned with. They are Adam and Tragedy who are not related brother and sister. They are social outcasts because their schoolmates always make fun of their relationship. They joke that Adam would treat Tragedy as a girlfriend but surely not. I feel sorry about this as I think their schoolmates are naive. Can you imagine your classmates would say something like that to you one day? How would you react? Would you fight back or just let go? Luckily, they chose to let go instead of using violence to solve the problem. You may ask: why don't we do something to pin down the scandal? However, I think time will prove the truth. That's one of the best ways to let the scandal sink away.

To sum up, I highly recommend this book, especially to those of you who are interested in rumors. The book is also suitable to people who have read "Gossip Girl" before. I am sure you will find out how interesting these five youngsters are in their school life.

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