

# *Because of Winn-Dixie*

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Fiction

The main characters of the book are a nine year old girl named Opal and a mangy dog named Winn-Dixie. Opal's mom left her dad and her when she was little. Her dad was a preacher. One day Opal went to the store called Winn-Dixie to get groceries. While she was shopping she saw a dog that was running around the store. Opal took Winn-Dixie home and begged her dad to keep him. Opal had no friends except for Winn-Dixie. Stevie and Dunlap were bullies in Opal's neighborhood. One day Amanda was sitting outside the neighborhood library and was sad about her brother Carson who died from drowning. Gloria and Opal planned a party at Gloria's house. Winn-Dixie, Amanda, Miss Franny, Otis, Stevie, Dunlap, Sweetie Pie and Opal's dad were all invited to the party. The party brought the community together.

I liked the book because I have a dog named Max. I like how they walked to Otis's pet store. They also went to the library to talk to Miss Franny, the librarian. They kept each other company. I also like how Winn-Dixie listens to Opal.

I think everyone should read this book so that they can learn to bring their community closer. I also they the should read this book so that they can help dogs find homes.