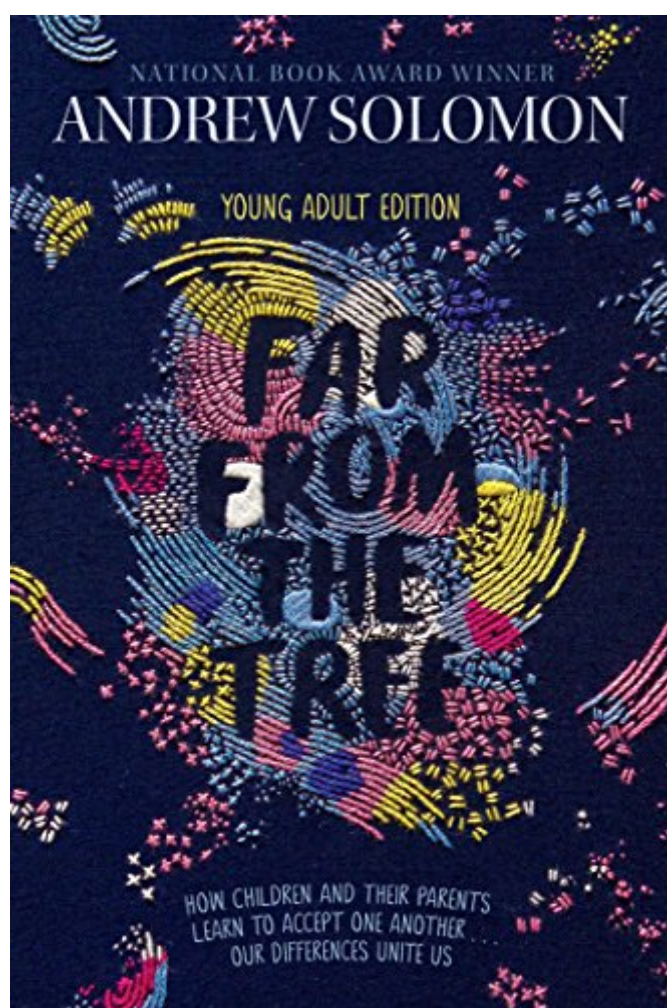


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Synopsis

From New York Times bestselling author Andrew Solomon comes a stunning, poignant, and affecting young adult edition of his award-winning masterpiece, *Far From the Tree*, which explores the impact of extreme differences between parents and children. The old adage says that the apple doesn't fall far from the tree, meaning that children usually resemble their parents. But what happens when the apples fall somewhere else—sometimes a couple of orchards away, sometimes on the other side of the world? In this young adult edition, Andrew Solomon profiles how families accommodate children who have a variety of differences: families of people who are deaf, who are dwarfs, who have Down syndrome, who have autism, who have schizophrenia, who have multiple severe disabilities, who are prodigies, who commit crimes, and more. Elegantly reported by a spectacularly original and compassionate thinker, *Far From the Tree* explores how people who love each other must struggle to accept each other—a theme in every family's life. The New York Times calls the adult edition a “wise and beautiful” volume, that “will shake up your preconceptions and leave you in a better place.”

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I have been a fan of Andrew Solomon since reading his book FAR AND AWAY. He not only has a way of sharing an experience but also making the reader feel as though they are a part of the narrative. In FAR FROM THE TREE (Young Adult Edition) we get the same experience. Once again drawing on his gift of getting people to open up and share, the book takes us into situations that might seem isolated but once you read them you realize just how common and universal they are. We all know what it's like to face a challenge or difficulty, but how do you keep from letting that define you. The book explores how parents and children can be able to work together instead of against one another to not just understand the other but help the other through what they are going through. Is it going to be easy? More than likely not. But what Andrew shares in the experiences is that it's not just necessary for us to try but the result can be not just a stronger bond but a stronger individual that can help and encourage others. Full of lessons that are great for any age, FAR FROM THE TREE reminds us that no matter what we are stronger together.

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