



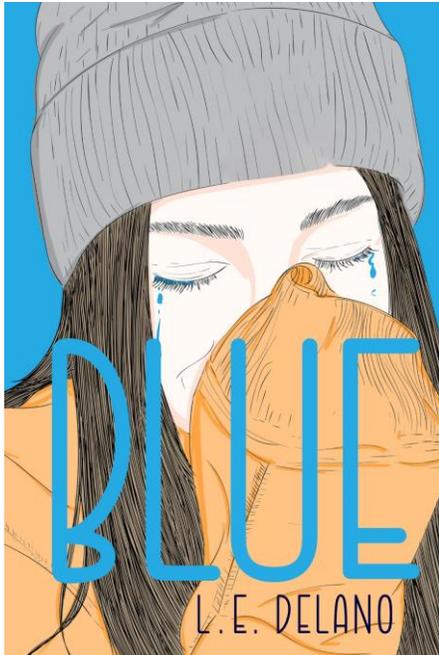
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BLUE

A teen learns the importance of perspective and living your life in forward motion in this introspective Contemporary YA novel by L.E. DeLano, author of TRAVELER and DREAMER.

Blue's older brother was involved in a car accident that killed the father of her classmate, Maya Rodriguez. Now Maya has returned to school determined to make Blue's life a living hell in the aftermath. To add to the misery, Blue has a demanding mother, a father who's never around, a drama-addicted best friend, and a secretive new guy who's determined to make Blue his own personal cheer-up project.

When Maya's taunts finally push Blue to retaliate, they find themselves in afterschool detention, forced into a project meant to foster cooperation and civility. Blue learns about Maya—and her own sense of privilege—while secrets are revealed that cast a new perspective on everything in Blue's world.

Praise for Blue:

Overall: 10.00 out of 10 “DeLano has an excellent ear for teens' idiomatic speech . . . This is a fast-paced novel focused more on feelings and the social world of teens . . . An easy read for its intended audience.”- *BookLife Prize by Publisher's Weekly*

“Blue is a complex YA novel that challenges the reader to look at multiple perspectives of a difficult situation. Blue as a main character is really well-written, and the reader can feel her emotions and struggles. Several supporting characters help carry the book, make it easy to stay engaged with the story. . . I think YA readers will really appreciate Blue, and I encourage them to check it out.” – *Jennifer C., NetGalley Reviewer*

L.E. DeLano lives and writes in Pennsylvania with two hilarious kids and two ridiculous cats. Her debut novel, TRAVELER was selected as a Keystone to Reading Secondary Book Award finalist for school year 2018-19 by the Keystone State Reading Association (KSRA) and voted one of the 20 Most Beautiful Books of 2017 by MTV UK.

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