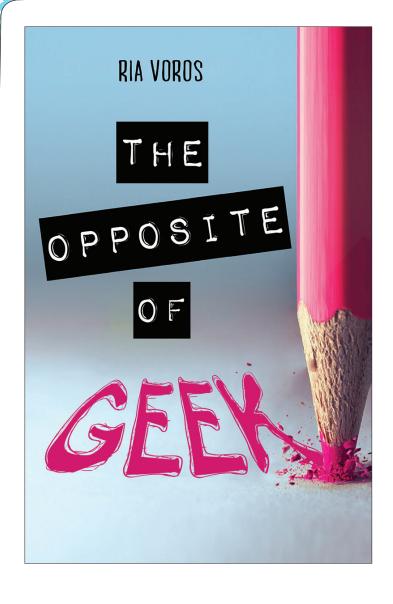


Book Talk Books We Love This Month



The Opposite of Geek

By Ria Voros

Sixteen-year-old Gretchen is a self-confessed poetry geek. I always thought loving poetry meant people were academically gifted, but Gretchen is struggling enough for her parents to sign her up with a tutor – geeky, friendless and awkward James. Resistant at first, she gradually becomes close to both James and his cousin Dean (James Dean, get it?). When tragedy strikes, Gretchen deals with the hypocrisy of her classmates in a way that is poetic, charming, graceful and funny.

Ages 12 and up

"I loved this book because of the poetry throughout, and it made me look at friendship and sadness in a whole new way."

— Janet

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