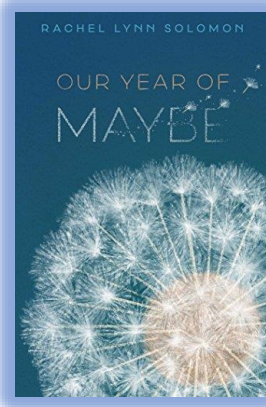


Booklist Review



Books For Youth - Fiction - General Fiction



Our Year of Maybe.

Solomon, Rachel Lynn (author).

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Simon & Schuster/Simon Pulse,
\$18.99 ([9781481497763](https://www.amazon.com/dp/9781481497763)).

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REVIEW. First published October
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Sophie would do anything for her best friend Peter, a talented musician in need of a kidney transplant. She believes that the two of them are destined to be in love, but events don't go as she imagined after she donates a kidney to him. Now able to attend high school in lieu of homeschooling, Peter becomes interested in Chase, a classmate who invites him to join his band. While Peter's interests broaden, Sophie is left to pick up the loose threads of her life and dance training, but she can't shake Peter from her heart and mind. Her longtime crush moves into dangerous territory, leaving her confused and angry. Then one fateful night changes their relationship in unanticipated ways. Told via alternating perspectives, Sophie's and Peter's stories entwine and separate, forcing them to evaluate their relationship and whether they owe anything to each other. Peter's story is the more compelling of the two; however, Sophie's is highly relatable. Noteworthy topics woven into the story include bisexuality, religion, artistic performance, teen parenting, codependency, and complex relationships.

— *Jeanne Fredriksen*