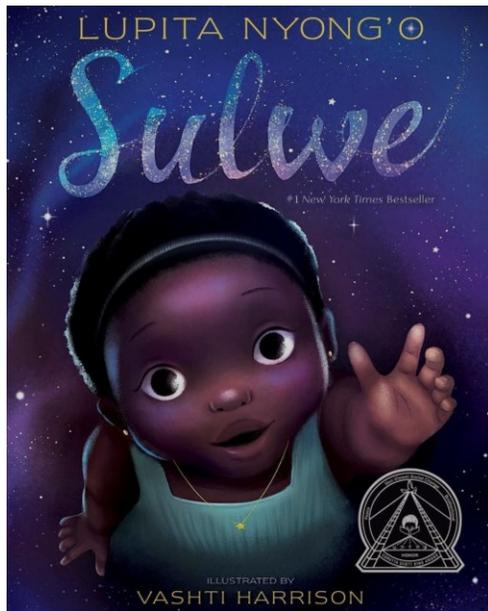


SULWE



Easy Reader

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Book Summary:

A young dark-skinned girl believes she's lesser because of her skin color and comes to understand that she's beautiful no matter her color.

Summary of Concerns:

This book contains self-hate; controversial racial commentary; and racism.

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4	People gave Sulwe names like "Blackie" and "Darky" and "Night." Sulwe felt hurt every time.
7	So she got the biggest eraser she could find and tried to rub off a layer or two of her darkness.
8	Sulwe decided to work from the inside out and ate the lightest, brightest foods.
15	How could she, as dark as she was, have brightness in her? How could she have beauty when no one but her mother seemed to see it?
24	People gave Day pet names like "Lovely" and "Nice" and "Pretty." People gave Night names like "Scary" and "Bad" and "Ugly." She felt hurt every time.
28	"I miss you," said Day. "I miss you too," said Night. "But you don't know what it's like to be treated badly for being dark." "You're right, I don't," Day replied. "But what I do know is that we need you just the way you are. Come and see."
44	Author's Note Much like Sulwe, I got teased and taunted about my night-shaded skin. I prayed to God that I would wake up with paler skin. I tried all sorts of things to lighten my complexion.