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***The Obsoletes* is a thought-provoking coming-of-age novel about two human-like teen robots navigating high school, basketball, and potentially life-threatening consequences if their true origins are discovered by the inhabitants of their intolerant 1980s Michigan hometown.**

Fraternal twin brothers Darryl and Kanga are just like any other teenagers trying to make it through high school. They have to deal with peer pressure, awkwardness, and family drama. But there's one closely guarded secret that sets them apart: they are robots. So long as they keep their heads down, their robophobic neighbors won't discover the truth about them and they just might make it through to graduation.

But when Kanga becomes the star of the basketball team, there's more at stake than typical sibling rivalry. Darryl—the worrywart of the pair—now has to work a million times harder to keep them both *out* of the spotlight. Though they look, sound, and act perfectly human, if anyone in their small, depressed Michigan town were to find out what they truly are, they'd likely be disassembled by an angry mob in the middle of their school gym.

Heartwarming and thrilling, Simeon Mills's charming debut novel is a funny, poignant look at brotherhood, xenophobia, and the limits of one's programming.

The Obsoletes Details

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Reviews & Robots says

The Obsoletes is a robot-meets-coming-of-age tale, balancing the angst of a teenage boy with the difficulties of operating as a robot in an unaccepting human world. The protagonist is a deeply complex character who spends every waking moment trying to get by in the world. He acts as father, mother, and brother in the household, presenting an experience that is both humorous and heartbreaking at times. With smart writing and a glimpse of 90's everyday life, Mills has created a compelling story that shows the struggles of a boy forced to grow up too soon.

NOTE: I was provided a free copy of this book via NetGalley in exchange for my honest, unbiased review.

Tiffany says

I received this book in exchange for an honest review.

Thank you for the opportunity to go out of my comfort zone and into a world of robots living silently among humans. This book takes place in 1980s and 90s America specifically Michigan where twin brothers Kanga and Darryl are living as adolescents. Their parents become obsolete and they are on their own. Kanga becomes the "parent" and takes a mission to care for his brother.

This is pretty much the entire story mixed with a LOT of basketball. I felt it had a lot of metaphors and hidden meanings and really appreciated the book for that.

I gave the book 3 stars because it interested me and is not typically a book I would like. The story will stay with me although I did find it a little boring. Robots and basketball just aren't my thing!

I feel like this would be great for a high school class read or a student to do a project on as well as an entertaining read for a science fiction lover.

Garan Tinsley says

I thought this was an excellent novel. The idea that robots are hiding in plain sight among humans is so interesting and is approached by the author in such a unique way. I really loved the humor as well. The way the author dealt with the topic of brotherhood and the feeling that one must take care of one's family really hit home for me. It was done with such a mastery that, at times, it made me ridiculously emotional. I really enjoyed this book and look forward to reading more by the author.

Roger Bailey says

The Obsoletes follows two brothers who happen to be robots. One brother dreams of becoming a star basketball player, but also must become parent when their parents are deemed obsolete and thrown into the scrap pile.

Mills' debut novel is full of humor and heart. The struggle of being a teenager is hard enough, but when you have to hide your true self from the world that struggle gets even harder.

The book is not without flaws. I found myself questioning the premise a lot in the first quarter of the book. At one point a suspected robot is tossed from a school bus and nobody bats an eye. However, once you get invested in the characters you give the book the benefit of the doubt. Mills does an excellent job of world building. Side characters are lively and add a lot.

I would recommend this to fans of sci-fi, YA, and humor.

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