

Personal opinion

about Oliver Twist



Charles Dickens is one of my favourite writers of all the times (and I am not saying this because he is the central part of this year project). I wonder why he is! A good question. I don't even know why, but his stories are always full of hope, love and respect to the others. After finishing his books, I always can't help smiling. He shows how the people died, and how the poor couldn't have an education, house, or even doctors. He always criticises the rich people, who always hate the poor ones. However, the stories always finish in a good way for the fair ones, the ones who never give up doing the right thing. Charles Dickens was so brave because through his lines he showed everyone the reality of a lot of boys and girls, although a lot of people didn't like listening to him.

In this case, Oliver Twist amazed me in different ways. I didn't expect this story: heart-breaking at the beginning, recovering at the end.

Oliver Twist is a good young boy. He is sweet, innocent and he has purest heart of all. However, the people who treat him are miserable and hit and insult him just because they are mean and criminal. When you read about these kinds of persons, you feel sorry for Oliver as he is just a poor boy trying to find a place in this world. But you also feel sorry for the bad ones: they are as bad as that because the society makes them bad. It's not their fault.

My favourite character of the novel was Nancy (I liked all of them, but if I had to choose...). She is a prostitute, a young girl who hasn't had an easy life but she is sweet and her sacrifice helps Oliver. She protects him until the end, with her bravery and she can't betray the horrible man she loves. I also liked Rose, who is a great girl and offers help for Nancy. However, she can't leave her man alone.

The rhythm of the book is paused, calm but it's incredible: you can imagine everything in your mind and, then, even if you've seen the movie, you discover new things that you didn't know about the original story.

I recommend this book to everyone who likes England and who wants to learn about these cruel years. It is such a hard book but necessary to understand how lucky we are now and how much we have to fight to stop unfairness in our world.