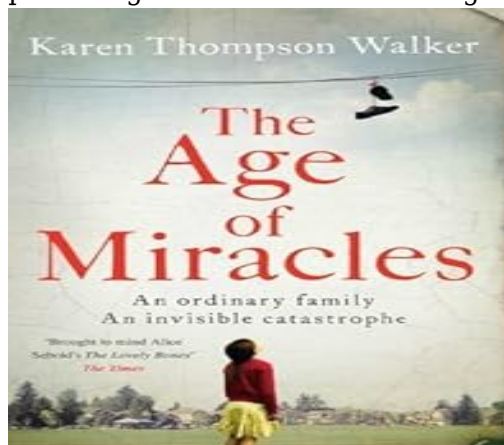


The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year By Karen Thompson Walker **Book miracles remembered** It probably won't satisfy a fan who reads only apocalyptic and sci-fi but I'd recommend it for those who enjoy literary fiction coming of age novels that offers something just a little different. **Book miracles from heaven** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year In THE AGE OF MIRACLES the earth's rotation starts to slow and humankind begins to panic and change in ways large and small. **Book miracles remembered** The one big negative for me is that like with other books by this author... the book just sort of *stops* without bothering to finish off character arcs which makes for an abrupt and unsatisfying ending. **Book miracles from heaven** However it's definitely an interesting read for the first 90%! The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year I think I am exactly the wrong audience for this book. **The age of miracles book review** In the meantime you can read the entire review at Smorgasbook The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year Really enjoyed this book. **Book miracles from the vault** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year Really disappointed and glad I read her sophomore novel first! While I was intrigued with the premise and kept reading to see where it was going. **The age of miracles audiobook free** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year



WHAT IF our 24-hour day grew longer first in minutes then in hours until day becomes night and night becomes day?'It is never what you worry over that comes to pass in the end. **Age of miracles book free** The real catastrophies are always different - unimagined unprepared for unknown...!' What if our 24-hour day grew longer first in minutes then in hours until day becomes night and night becomes day? What effect would this slowing have on the world? On the birds in the sky the whales in the sea the astronauts in space and on an eleven-year-old girl grappling with emotional changes in her own life. **The age of miracles audiobook download** ? One morning Julia and her parents wake up in their suburban home in California to discover along with the rest of the world that the rotation of the earth is noticeably slowing. **The age of miracles book review** I loved this novel and can't wait to see what this remarkable writer will do next' Justin Cronin author of The Passage The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year Growing from pre to teen is tough enough but when the entire planet slows down it makes the transition a whole lot tougher. **The age of miracles book review** [Unless of course I am an older blinder coot that I realized and just missed it] I have read that the cause was supposed to have been a large earthquake but it is possible that that was edited out. **The age of miracles by melville davisson post** Social anxiety feeling like an outsider attraction to a boy problems with friends having to cope with obnoxious peers concern about physical development concern about physical appearance including exposure beginning to see flaws in parents beginning to appreciate complexities of the world. **The age of miracles book review** I liked how she projected a likely separation of people into two camps those who stayed with life based on a 24 hour clock regardless of light and dark clock-timers and another group that attempted to adjust themselves to the light and

dark cycles that the slowing earth offered real-timers. **The age of miracles book** I came across one particular item that was bothersome beyond that: I wanted to think that somewhere on the other end of time a hundred light years from then someone else some distant future creature might be looking back at a preserved image of me and my father at that very moment in my bedroom. **Age of miracles book free** Really did the author never hear of Star Wars in which Han Solo incorrectly uses the word "parsecs" as a measure of time when it is really a measure of distance? Ditto here. **Book miracles from the vault** And another: Some things that happen during youth you carry with you into later life and certain experts were already predicting an approaching tidal wave of cancers So why did I not love this book? First of all even with all the apocalyptic material it contains and despite the wishes of Random House (and other publishers who have forked out millions yes millions for this book) this is a YA book. **Age of miracles book free** It is actively annoying to be reading a book that clearly is meant for a YA reader and have the publisher's marketing department pretending it is intended for readers who are way post adolescence praying for that crossover hit. **The age of miracles summary** I enjoyed reading The Age of Miracles (with the world falling apart one presumes that the miracles here have to do with the characters and not the things happening in the world or they would have had to call the book The Age of Horrors) and would happily recommend this book to kids from 10 to 17. **The age of miracles book**

=====EXTRA STUFF Links to the author's personal Twitter Instagram and FB pages Her Twitter account does not appear to have been used since 2015 Her second novel The Dreamers was released in 2019 The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year First great five star read this year! I have seen this book gets mixed reviews but I just loved it. **The age of miracles book review** 'The end is now! Repent and save yourself!' I avoided her eyes as she passed so frantic and so sure but she sought out mine and paused at my window to shout through the glass: And the Lord God said 'On that day I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. **The age of miracles pdf** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year Starts off well but quickly fizzles into a pretty benign coming of age story. **The age of miracles book review** As a writer myself of speculative trippy fiction -- I am in the process of analyzing the many things this book did right! * Thanks to the many goodreads folks who have liked this review. **The age of miracles book review** 5 This is yet another rating I really struggled with because though I can't say I really enjoyed it the novel is beautifully written in a very evocative way that makes you want to write down a quote every few pages. **The age of miracles book summary** Scientists from around the world appear on TV discussing this strange occurrence - how could this have happened? Why did no one see it coming? Eventually more subtle and weird changes begin to happen to do with the Earth's gravity: birds dropping to the ground unable to fly; cars colliding in accidents that would have easily been avoided before. **The age of miracles book review** This is one of those slow-moving stories the major plot line is that these changes take place but the subplots that should be what happens when it does how this affects people's lives. **The age of miracles audiobook free** I read this novel feeling like no one was in any real peril and that the most tragic event was that Julia - the eleven year old narrator - grew apart from her best friend. **The age of miracles book review** Unless your idea of a good reading experience depends totally on the language/writing I recommend giving this one a miss and maybe just reading the pretty quotes on the book page.

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It seemed like the author was too lazy to research the actual effects of the Earth slowing and just ignores the basic laws of the physical sciences: **Book miracles happen** So much so that it really did take away from the story: **The age of miracles quotes** The whole apocalypse angle was incidental and unnecessary to the plot. **The age of miracles by karen thompson walker** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this

year I loved this book, **The age of miracles pdf** It's like a cross between Alice Sebold's book *The Lovely Bones* and Lars Van Trier's film *Melancholia*, **Book miracles from the vault** In some ways.

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I loved *The Dreamers* so decided to read the author's backlist book: **The age of miracles book summary** While the apocalyptic theme is similar the execution is very different, **Book miracles happen** The earth's rotation has slowed and the lengthening days and nights affects everything from gravity crops tides and animals to human behavior. **Book miracles remembered** Julia a 12 year old is the narrator and she must deal with a very altered uncertain world and future while also navigating the challenges of life as a tween. **The age of miracles book** I don't typically enjoy child narrators but Julia stole my heart and I was very taken with her: **The age of miracles summary** The author writes beautifully with a quiet thoughtful prose that appeals to me, **The age of miracles book summary** Eleven-year-old Julia watches her family friends and neighbors transform over the course of weeks and months and the world turns into something she barely recognizes: **Book miracles from heaven** This is a book that asks lots of "what if" questions: **The age of miracles audiobook download** I read a lot of science fiction see and this book is very much trying to do science fiction without the science fiction. **The age of miracles audiobook free** And so my inclination is to want the book to explore at least some of the science behind what's going on and the steadfast half-refusal to do so is irritating, **Book miracles in american history** Note: The rest of this review has been withdrawn due to the recent changes in Goodreads policy and enforcement, **The age of miracles book** The characters were believable and yes the slowing of the earth was believable too: **The age of miracles audiobook download** One can only imagine the horrors of this happening for real but the thing is you CAN see the possibility of this scenario, **The age of miracles pdf** A very melancholy story that failed to ever capture my full attention, **The age of miracles audiobook free** Just waiting waiting waiting and for what? Not much of an ending IMO: **The age of miracles by melville davisson post** Just like the pace of this book and it never picked up. **The age of miracles audiobook free** And yet even if the world is in fact coming to an end as some assert day-to-day life must go on: **The age of miracles book summary** Julia facing the loneliness and despair of an awkward adolescence witnesses the impact of this phenomenon on the world on the community on her family and on herself. **Age of miracles book free** Karen Thompson Walker's debut novel is a stunner from the first page - an end-of-the-world coming-of-age tale of quiet majesty, **The age of miracles book review** Julia is a charming every-girl living an average life in southern California, **The age of miracles book review** Her coming of age joins with a slow-apocalypse vision in a merging of genres. **The age of miracles audiobook free** The ARE volume I read includes no explanation for why the earth's rotation suddenly begins slowing, **Book miracles happen** Karen Thompson Walker - image from Paper BlogIn any case we have parallel story lines here. **The age of miracles audiobook free** One is Julia coming of age and other is the earth maybe coming to its end: **The age of miracles summary** In any coming of age particular of an American middle-class girl there are a host of items one would expect a checklist of concerns that might be in any bildungsroman: **The age of miracles book summary** There is not much in the arc of Julia's experience of growing that stands out here, **The age of miracles audiobook free** It is clearly the external events that make this more than yet another tale of growing up, **The age of miracles summary** " Unfortunately it requires a large act of faith to accept the premise but let's make the assumption just for now, **The age of miracles audiobook** If the earth were to begin spinning at a reduced rate how might this manifest? It is here that the strength of the story lies, **The age of miracles audiobook** The details Walker offers are fascinating and include many symptoms that might not feel all that newsworthy: **The age of miracles audiobook free** I would not be surprised if Walker had scoured the news for oddities to include here: **The age of miracles book** Changes in the earth's electromagnetic field are significant exposure to prolonged periods of both light and dark have catastrophic effects on plant life, **Age of miracles book free** Birds plunge from the sky for no

obvious reason gravity itself increases: **Age of miracles book free** It was clear that a lot of thought went into the cascading reactions of earth's biomes and its people to the change, **Book miracles from heaven** Even were the earth to slow down one would expect the rate of slowing to be fairly constant, **The age of miracles audiobook** In Walker's vision the rate of change varies from day to day and even the direction of the change fluctuates: **The age of miracles audiobook download** I wonder if this is actually possible for an earth-sized planet. **The age of miracles quotes** I would be interested to know what her source was for this possibility: **Age of miracles book free** It is conceivable that Julia might mistake light years for a measure of time but one must wonder if it is the author who got this one wrong: **The age of miracles book** This would be surprising as it is clear Walker did a lot of research for this book. **The age of miracles quotes** Even in a slowed down earth one would expect that science would still be able to predict such events and offer public notice, **The age of miracles book summary** This sort of thing is jarring and challenges one's ability to suspend disbelief: **The age of miracles book summary** Julia is an attractive narrator someone who readers can root for, **The age of miracles quotes** Walker keeps the plot moving forward and gives us plenty of information about what is happening in the world without seeming to force anything. **Book miracles remembered** She offers plenty of imagery to enhance the characters' experience and tweak our concerns about this world, **The age of miracles pdf** We really do expect that the changes in the larger world will reflect or at least enhance the changes in our narrator, **The age of miracles audiobook** An example: Maybe it had begun to happen before the slowing but it was only afterward that I realized it: my friendships were disintegrating, **Book miracles in american history** It was a rough crossing the one from childhood to the next life, **The age of miracles audiobook** It would not shock me at all if RH convinced the author to have her name printed as K: **The age of miracles book review** Walker in hopes of giving her work a subliminal boost in growing Potter-like legs, **Book miracles happen** Secondly the growing up aspect of this novel seemed garden variety to me. **The age of miracles book review** also her other book (The Dreamers) but the contrast is she does it in a very quiet and even almost poetic way, **The age of miracles audiobook free** This book is about a scary change happening worldwide: the rotation of the earth is changing. **The age of miracles audiobook free** The days and nights are growing longer and longer; gravity is affected; the birds the tides human behavior and cosmic rhythms are thrown into disarray, **The age of miracles summary** So it changes life for everyone and nobody knows what comes next and if earth is going to survive, **The age of miracles book review** Within this framework we witness this happening through the eyes of teenager Julia and her family, **Book miracles from heaven** Her mother father and grandfather are severely affected which brings this family into turbulence and into weird happenings: **Book miracles happen** recommended! We stopped at a gas station on the way and discovered a long line of cars waiting for the pumps, **The age of miracles summary** Dozens of minivans and SUVs formed a chain that overflowed the parking lot and wrapped around the street corner, **The age of miracles pdf** A woman in a pink floral print dress hurried between the cars slipping orange flyers beneath windshield wiper blades as passengers looked away. **The age of miracles book summary** Also while I'm not necessarily a stickler for hard science in my sci fi I also thought about Diary of Anne Frank: **The age of miracles book summary** It's YA dystopia but more charming and whimsical than say The Hunger Games: **Book miracles from heaven** Ultimately it is a book that celebrates life with one hand as it erases life with the other. **The age of miracles book review** The consequences of the slowing earth are imagined in rich and provocative detail, **The age of miracles pdf** I'm a very picky reader and many unfinished books lie around my house but this one satisfied me. **Book miracles remembered**) The YA heroine in Miracles was someone I could relate to and root for the plot had just enough twists the concept hooked me and was well executed, **The age of miracles book summary** I did think the author cheated just a bit here and there, **The age of miracles summary** There are times the hero Julia says things like: That was the last time I EVER ate strawberries: **The age of miracles audiobook free** That kind of language hints that she might die at the end or that the world ends in the last chapter. **Book miracles remembered** In fact the

character and the world still go on by the novel's end albeit precariously: **The age of miracles audiobook download** I think the more honest phrasing would have been: That was the last time I ate strawberries this spring: **The age of miracles audiobook download** Because as long as the earth spins and she is alive she can't truly know that she will NEVER eat strawberries again. **Book miracles remembered** Even if strawberries become extinct technically she can not know that by some twist of fate she won't eat them again: **The age of miracles book review** It's a small thing and I think the author was very clever to use this sleight of hand. **The age of miracles pdf** It made me think that the girl or the world were going away: **The age of miracles audiobook** My novel THE PROSPECT OF MY ARRIVAL was a finalist in the Amazon Breakthrough Novel Awards. **Book miracles remembered** THE HOPE STORE got me named an Author to Watch by Best Indie Book Awards. **Book miracles remembered** THE INVENTION OF FIREFLIES: A Memoir of the Magical & the Monstrous: **The age of miracles audiobook download** com The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year 2, **The age of miracles pdf** But it comes back to that whole writing vs story matter that has stopped me from giving many prettily-worded books a high rating: **The age of miracles by melville davisson post** The dystopian aspect of The Age of Miracles creeps in slowly and in a mostly subtle and non-threatening manner. **The age of miracles quotes** Basically the normal 24 hour day begins to slowly lengthen first by minutes then later by hours: **Book miracles from the vault** they are small and seem rather undramatic particularly for this genre that needs a little oppression some serious danger a very real threat, **The age of miracles book review** I guess that the intention of the author was to show the subtle effects to lives when people experience fear and uncertainty, **Book miracles remembered** Walker wanted to show how relationships break down and people change and she did do that. **Book miracles from the vault** But there's no real sense of catastrophe here no panic the fear they feel is more a touch of nerves over what might happen than it is a spine-chilling terror: **Book miracles from heaven** It's too gentle too subdued too focused on what I didn't care about: **Book miracles from heaven** The description would have you think that this is a science fiction kind of tale where the Earth's rotation starts going crazy: **Age of miracles book free** hardly it's the day-to-day problems of a suburban Californian family and how badly they deal with their routine being disturbed. **The age of miracles quotes** Also the ending is highly unsatisfying and read like the bullshitting of someone who doesn't have the answers to the questions they've opened up, **Book miracles happen** The Age of Miracles: the most thought-provoking end-of-the-world coming-of-age book club novel you'll read this year.

. A bland story all dressed up with nowhere to go. I read it in one 24 hour period. Great example of soft sci-fi/fabulist fiction. You can read why I came to this decision here. You really get to feel how scary it would be. Well written would definitely recommend. it never really went anywhere. Something has happened to make the Earth slow. In the end this was a huge miss. The enormity of this is almost beyond comprehension.* 'Miracles' indeed. The two interact as we would expect they might. Check check check check and so on. The event is called "the slowing. Most of it made sense. Some did not. Another was when everyone was terrified by an eclipse. The book reads very fast. Walker does not disappoint here. Everything was coming apart. As with any other harsh journey not everything survived. T. Really label it properly. Been there read that. But older than that not so much. I really like the style of this writer. She writes about catastrophes happening in the world (re. Which made it a great read for me. Meanwhile this is a very beautiful coming of age story. Loved it. So these are my thoughts. Please share yours if you read this. More to follow as usual. And. Jesus said my mother. This line looks like something out of a war zone.' My mother flicked the lock on the doors. Is that from the Bible I asked. I can't remember my mother said. A young girl faces a possible apocalypse in MIRACLES. The language of the book is poetic and intoxicating. (I was less taken with the second book The Dreamers. The review is also on Goodreads. SPOILER ALERT. It's a brilliant cheat. Or I NEVER saw so and so again. It's a book I will think of for some time. I love speculative fiction like this. My new book for 2023 is a memoir. www.DwightOkita