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This year's most important and painful book is a series of poems for teens.

A nameless teenager lives with a violent father. Through his thoughts and observations, we get up close with a young boy and a family, constantly living in the shadow of a simmering volcano. How does physical and mental abuse affect a young mind? What does this young person carry with him through life and in his encounters with the wider world?

This is a little book about a large and difficult topic which effects more people than we know. Some books can change lives. Maybe even save them. This is one such book.

Åse Ombustvedt and Marianne Engedal (ill.)

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