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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

- Laurie Frankel is the New York Times bestselling, award-winning author of four novels.
  - One Two Three
  - This Is How It Always Is
  - Goodbye For Now
  - The Atlas of Love
- Her novels have been translated into more than twenty-five languages.
- A former college professor.
- Now writes full-time in Seattle, Washington

## ABOUT THE BOOK

Narrated by triplets who join together to help bring justice to the town of Bourne, or really for their mother.

## SETTING:

Bourne

## THEMES

- Family
- Friendship
- Fighting for justice
- People with disabilities

## MAIN CHARACTERS

- Nora (Mama)

- Mab (One)
- Monday (Two)
- Mirabel (Three)
- River Templeton (Nathan & Apple's Son)

### **SUPPORTING CHARACTERS**

- Nathan Templeton (GL606 Inventor - Belsum Chemical)
- Apple Grove Templeton (Family sold land to Belsum - used to live in the Library as a child)
- Pastor Jeff (Pastor & Doctor)
- Omar (Mayor)
- Pooh (Old Korean Neighbor)
- Duke Templeton (Grandfather)
- Russell (Lawyer)
- Petra (Mab's Friend)

### **THINGS I LOVED ABOUT THIS BOOK**

- Part real life, part fiction, part David and Goliath
- Teenage girls as the main characters
- People with disabilities as the heroes
- Did you catch that the chapters are written in order, 1,2,3, every time?
- And there was one moment at the end of this book that I will never forget. When I read that part, I knew this book had to be a book club pick.
- The bad guys were not fully villains

### **QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS**

- If you listened on Audible, did you catch the interview at the end?
  - Did anyone grow up in a small town? Can you relate?
  - Was Nathan a good or bad guy?
  - He wanted to fix what his dad (or he - with GL606 did) did by creating jobs and helping heal the town of Bourne.
  - BUT he did fake things like pretending to drink the water.
  - What about Apple? Good or Bad?
  - Would you have tried to cover up for your father like she did hers?
  - At what point are you responsible for something? Would you say the Grove family is just as responsible as the Templetons?
  - What triplet do you relate to more?
  - What triplet do you want to be more like?
  - Do you blame River for ultimately choosing his family in the end?
  - What do you think was the real ending of the book?
- What did Nora really want?

## **MEMORABLE SCENES**

- Earliest memory being in the womb.
- Rivers first day of school.
- When Mab & Monday went to the Templetons home/library.
- Why Nora bakes.
- Mirabel saves River from the Kyles
- Apple's therapy session with Nora.
- Nathan coming to counseling
- Finding out about the dam(n) paperwork.
- Monday & Apple paper exchange
- Monday reading the college brochure
- How they all used their strengths to operate the backhoe.
- Also that the backhoe is yellow - so Monday had read the manual.