THEY WERE STRANGERS. A handful of people. From different backgrounds, living in different towns and cities across America, they had nothing in common - except fear. THEY WERE VICTIMS. Cold and stark, an unknown terror gripped their dreams and turned their days into living nightmares. THEY WERE CHOSEN. And they could not escape. Deep in the heart of a sprawling desert, a dark memory called out to them drawing them to the Tranquility Motel - where the terrifying truth was waiting...


Dean Koontz. His name is synonymous with things that go bump in the night and keeps the reader on the edge of their seat, and is often compared to the King of Macabre, Stephen King. While his books usually are easily comprehensible and to-the-point, with Strangers, Dean Koontz has produced his epic. Almost every author has an epic, or, in the case of Charles Dickens, sometimes 4 or 5. A novel huge in size and thought, with in-depth characters, profound messages and morals, massive and intertwining plots and sub-plots, its most easily defined as a novel that makes you think! Strangers, weighing in at 681 pages, is a tale of government intrigue, with a massive cover-up that included brainwashing the memories of over 30 people who stayed at The Tranquility Motel in rural Nevada to make them forget the horrors of July 6th, 1984. After experiencing disturbing nightmares and odd disorders like sleepwalking and phobias, Ginger Weiss, Dominick Corvaisis, Brendan Cronin, Jack Twist, Sandy and Ned Sarver, and Faye and Ernie Block slowly are drawn back to The Tranquility Motel, where fate and destiny awaits... Did I enjoy Strangers or not? Read on to find out!

Plot- As Ginger, Brendan, Dom, Faye, Jack, Ernie, Ned, and Sandy return to The Tranquility Motel, they seem to know each other like friends, even though they've never met. As the characters memory blocks slowly start to disappear, they slowly begin to remember the occurrence on July 6th, yet before they can determine what happen, the government decides to
apprehend them and sanction them. Later, Brendan and Dom discover they have supernatural powers, able to lift things at will and heal injured people, and they believe its related to what happened to them on that night. As miraculous healings and supernatural events begin happening all over the world, the government soon realizes its cover-up is fading, and they must either admit what happened or destroy the evidence and make up something. As the government prepares to wipe out the evidence of the mysterious event, they methodically capture the witnesses to the event and sanction them in a nearby base, Thunder Hill Depository, where the secret lays hundreds of miles underground. As the characters fight for their lives, they will have to learn to band together and help each other, and learn to face the truth of that horrifying night...

Opinions/Writing/Etc.-

Dean Koontz is a writer, who, unlike a large number of his contemporaries (Grisham, Ludlum), thinks up original, suspenseful, and delightful plots with each novel, and he never scrapes the surface of being generic or repetitive. With Strangers, Koontz tries his hand at a novel of immense proportions, carefully building up each of his characters personas and developing them throughout the novel, until each character seems like a close friend. This is important, because when the characters are in trouble or in danger, the reader feels and pities them, giving Strangers a stronger depth and emotion. Throughout, Koontz explores many themes such as love, faith, friendship, and determination, and by the novels end, you will piece together the morals and messages Koontz has interlaid within his writing. Strangers moves along slowly at first, introducing the numerous characters and unearthing the controversial mystery, but as the novel nears its end, youll be on the edge of your seat and the pages will fly by. Koontzes writing isnt fancy or overly descriptive like most classic novels, yet hes straight-forward and to-the-point, almost as if hes telling the story around a campfire to a group of enrapt listeners. The only thing that hurts the novel is that the mystery behind the suspense of Strangers is fairly predictable and lackluster, yet, its not as bad as it could have been. My opinion? A great novel!

Overall, Strangers is a great thriller, full of mystery and suspense that will keep the reader guessing until the end. The plot is very epic, so, young readers, beware! The sheer amount of characters and plot twists will go right over your head. For those willing to take that extra leap and read Strangers, be prepared for an epic novel, full of mystery and hopeful themes that will definitely be a highlight in anyones bookshelf.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO FANS OF SUSPENSE, MYSTERIES, THRILLERS, AND DEAN KOONTZ! I STRESS THAT ONLY ADVANCE D READERS, SUCH AS OLDER TEENS AND ADULTS, SHOULD GET STRANGERS!

Also Recommended-
Phantoms- Dean Koontz
The Stand- Stephen King
Ghost Story- Peter Straub

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