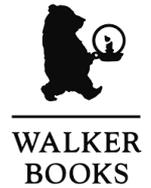


LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **Maladapted** By Richard Kurti



Below are the complete reviews, written by the LoveReading4kids members.

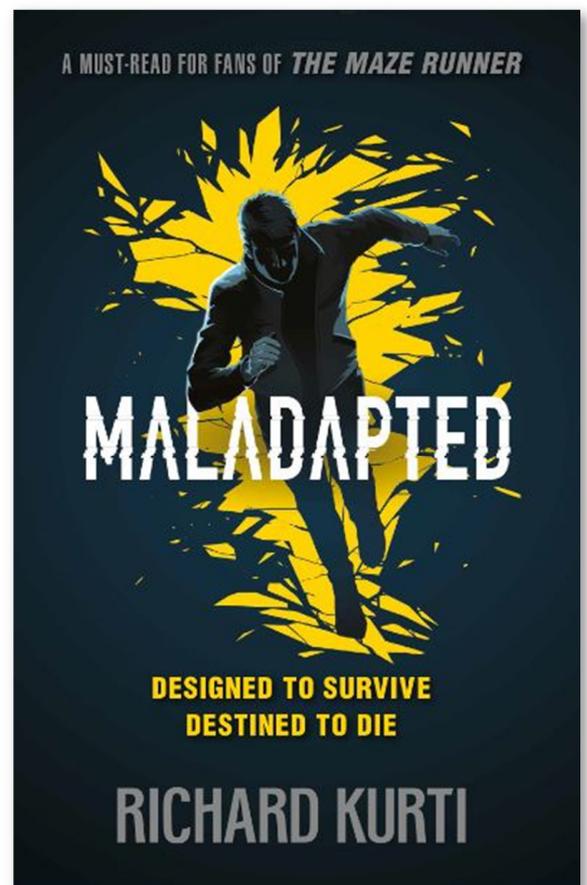
Adam Goodman, age 13

The best book I have ever read!!! 'Maladapted' is exciting and action-packed from start to finish, a great read and I would highly recommend it!

'Maladapted' is an AMAZING book!! From the start, it launches straight into the story and immediately pulls you in. I enjoyed the book from the very moment I started it and wasn't bored at any point. I felt constantly on edge and couldn't wait to find out what happened next with the fast-moving and ever-changing plot. I also really liked the book because throughout there was dramatic irony which made it even more exciting.

This is a MUST-READ to anyone who likes action stories.

I would normally give a brief summary of the story but I feel as though I shouldn't because it is such a good book that whatever I say will ruin it. So, the only way to find out what happens is to read it!!



Georgia Walters, age 15

'Maladapted' was an incredibly enjoyable read, packed with action and suspense. I was swept away with the story from the opening pages; there was never a dull moment.

The plot felt like a classic Sci-Fi story, yet highly original at the same time - I really liked the secret truth about the main character, Cillian, though I do wish it had been described in more detail. His relationship with Tess was really memorable, and the two characters were a fantastic pair for a riveting story. I loved the fact that these two characters were technically polar opposites, thrown together in the chaos caused by the shocking event at the beginning - and how they became close and 'teamed up' so the book could reach an epic conclusion.

'Maladapted' is an imaginative blend of Sci Fi and thriller with some themes very similar to today's world, which is what I found most scary about it. It's quite eye opening, as not only is it a clever Sci Fi novel, but it also makes the reader think about today's global issues and technology. I really recommend it! I wish there was a second book so I could find out what happens next.

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Eloise Mae Clarkson, age 13

*This book is about the future and how the world changes. In this there are elements of science, action and adventure. It spans these genres very well. I would rate this book five out of five stars. **I would definitely recommend this to a friend. The concept was unique and the characters were amazing.** I loved the plot and was not able to guess what was going to happen. It contained quite a few plot twists. The way the book ended suggested that there could be a sequel. Hopefully there will be!*

Edel Waugh

When travelling one day on the train with his father, Cillian's carriage is blown up causing mass destruction. Cillian is the only one who makes it out of there without any injuries. Tess was nearby when the bomb went off and does her best to get far from the site and back to the members of her group.

In this dystopian world a terror group that Tess is involved with is trying to kill those that are not doing what they agree with, and many lives seem destined to be lost. After the train explosion Cillian begins to learn a lot more about his father and the huge secrets that were kept from him. It becomes increasingly hard for him to know who to trust and who is a very real threat to him. This story was fast paced yet it takes a little while to understand the structure of this

world Cillian is living in, where technology is very advanced and terror threats are very real; science has made huge advances and not all of them are for the best. **A very interesting read! I recommend adding this to your TBR list.**

<http://edelwaugh.blogspot.ie/2015/11/maladapted-by-richard-kurti-review.html?m=1>

Lucie Harrison, age 13

I enjoyed reading 'Maladapted' although it was quite a difficult read. It was engaging and very different to other books I have read. It was thrilling in places and sad in others. I would recommend this book to older kids or teenagers as it is quite a hard book.

Amelia Corrick-Gough, age 14

*I know this book came for my sister, but it intrigued me, so I picked it up. It sucked me in, this image of a futuristic world with technology that would change our world. But what they do secretly with the technology is for them to know, and for no one to find out. **I sat down one Saturday morning, and read it all. I highly recommend this and I hope the next one will be just as good!***

Beth Jones, age 13

'Maladapted' is a thrilling sci-fi novel with an excellent plot and characters. I love the concept of a world controlled by technology.

Maladapted is exciting, new and enjoyable. The whole concept of the book is interesting, along with great characters and storyline. My favourite character has got to be Cillian, who breaks free from the system and then has to figure out what he's doing without the help of anyone else. I felt the story was gripping and a real page-turner. The action scenes were particularly well written. At the beginning of the book I was slightly confused with what was happening but as I got further through I understood and enjoyed it thoroughly. In conclusion, I think that the book is good for fans of 'Divergent' especially and appropriate for teenagers.

William Oliver

'Maladapted' is set on earth in a largely recognisable world. The book starts with a gripping and dramatic first chapter. The main character, Cillian, is a

teenager that everyone can relate to. He is quite relaxed, a normal boy (or so he first appears) who regularly checks his “smartcell” for updates. As the story opens, he’s checking out a dating app and flirting with a girl (like a typical teenager!). Cillian is traveling on a train with his father when a “pulse bomb” goes off. From then on, he explores the “Big Brother” like, futuristic Foundation City, trying to uncover the secret of what happened. He is pointed to a hospital in the outskirts of the city. With the help of the mysterious Tess, Cillian discovers that there are no records of him before his third birthday. No pictures, no nothing. There follows a tense story of secrets, unusual mental abilities and danger.

*I personally found the book really gripping and intriguing. **As a sci-fi lover, I am really interested in visions of the future. I am not an avid reader, but this book is one of few that I enjoyed and found really gripping.** I found I was looking forward to reading it every night. I would recommend this book to a person who is an avid sci-fi fan. Someone who is interested in and enjoys thinking about technology in the future and how it might impact on our lives.*

Dylan Sweet, age 12

‘Maladapted’ is a very thrilling book. The change of atmosphere is sudden and so dramatic that it captures you and doesn’t let you go. This book is about a girl from a terrorist group called Tess and a boy. His name is Cillian and tragically, a mysterious bomb hits a train he is travelling on. After meeting each other, the two become allies, fighting against the force of P8 and Gilgamesh, a hospital. My favourite character is Tess because there is more to her than you think. I would rate this book four stars for its tense plot and the amazing writing. I think that this book would be great for boys or girls. I hope they release a sequel to ‘Maladapted’ because I hope to read more of this amazing story.

Celeste Phelan, age 14

A mind-boggling read with so many twists and turns, it mirrors the complexity and the sudden surprises of a maze.

Foundation City is one of the most modern places of its time, everything is new and technology is worshipped. But the city cannot escape the anger the aggression from the terror group 'Revelation'.

After a devastating terror attack on the packed Metro train, Cillian finds himself a survivor and begins questioning his life and possible future. Desperate for answers, Cillian confides in the mysterious Tess as they set out on a journey to find out the truth.

After their successful break in to Gilgamesh, Tess and Cillian stumble on a shocking discovery, destined to shake the foundations of the city. But with his life constantly in danger, should Cillian trust Tess?

Cillian is a young maths student who is considered a genius. His determination and his persistent search for answers are his main strengths.

My favorite part was the escape from Gilgamesh because it was very exciting and kept me on the edge of my seat throughout. It also made me realize the difficulties the pair are destined to face ahead.

I would recommend this book to children 12+ as it is a very gripping thriller about the survival against the odds. However, this book would be unsuitable for younger readers because it is quite graphic at certain points. Overall I enjoyed this book and I will defiantly read another book by Richard Kurti.

Liam, age 13

Cillian is the survivor of a terrorist attack which causes him a lot of grief but even more attention from several secret operations. Will he live or not!?

Cillian discovers he has immense power in a horrific terror attack caused by a secret group known as The Faith. In his time of grief and investigation he turns to Tess, a very mysterious girl. As they journey together they have arguments, misunderstandings and a whole lot of lies. Will there partnership work? Will they live and will they find out what they want to know?

Ofelia Tavares, age 13

'Maladapted' was addictive and I thoroughly enjoyed it. It was gripping and a great page turner. *I love this genre and this is definitely a book well within my comfort zone, which I would be happy to read anytime. I really liked all the characters and the layers and depth which they all had. I especially liked the character of Cillian who I feel does still not quite understand himself. I appreciated him for his questioning, of himself as well as other characters. I also thought Tess was a great character because of the different sides to her character, for instance her ability to show compassion as well as being unremorseful at times. I thought it was interesting how an innocent city is trapped in a war between P8 and Revelation. However a sequel is definitely needed as so much is left unanswered. It finishes with an enormous cliff hanger and without any sense of completion. The book is crying out for a sequel and would feel unfinished without it. There definitely needs to be a second book, but this is a great read and I would definitely recommend it.*