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Whale talk book summary

In this starting section, the peruser finds out about the storyteller, The Dao (T. J.) Jones, an offspring of African-American, Japanese, and white plunge who was embraced by John Paul and Abby Jones. Glenda, T. J. 's white, biological mother, and the Jones initially meet in an emergency clinic where Abby was recouping from her fourth unsuccessful labor and Glenda was bringing forth her... Read more 1613 Page 2 "Whale Talk" The epilog openslater that late spring, with T. J. riding into New Glades, Idaho, the widow's old neighborhood and where her kid kicked the bucket. He first visits Tyler's grave, at that point goes to the Pine Bunch, the eatery where John Paul met the widow. He gets some information about herand finds that Stacy Couples moved away eleven years back to live in... Read more 284 Page 3 Whale Talk, a youthful grown-up novel by Chris Crutcher, is the tale of occasions in the senior year of The Dao (T. J.) Jones, the received, multiracial child of white guardians who live in the humble community of Shaper, Washington. Described from a first-individual point of view, the novel investigates the effect of family, games, viciousness, and harassing on the lives of current youngsters.... Read more 163 The biological son of a white mother and a half-African-American, half-Japanese father, The Tao Jones—known as T. J.—lives with his loving, adoptive white family in the nearly all-white town of Cutter, Washington. T. J.'s adoptive mother, Abby, is a child-abuse lawyer, and his adoptive father, John Paul Jones, is a community volunteer and guardian ad litem, who is still haunted from his youth, in which he accidentally killed a child in a driving incident after a one-night stand with the child's mother. At Cutter High School, T. J. is a physically impressive senior who has refused to join any sports teams due to his childhood history of anger management issues. His non-involvement irritates much of the faculty, who pride themselves on the physical achievements of their students, displaying favoritism toward their star athletes, such as Mike Barbour, a vicious bully. T. J. often finds Barbour harassing Chris Coughlin, an intellectually disabled student who must unfairly live in the wake of a widely admired older brother and friend of T. J.'s, wants to start a swim team to avoid coaching obligations. Simet convinces T. J. to be captain of the swim team and recruit its members, even though the school has no pool. Inspired to spite the school's pretentious athletics program and its glorification of bullies like Barbour, T. J. assembles a deliberately bizarre and musician Tay-Roy Kibble; the rude, antisocial, and one-legged Andy Mott; the completely nondescript Jackie Craig; and the obese and insecure Simon DeLong. T. J. hopes to have the whole team meet letterman requirements in order to embarrass the rest of the athletics program and their cherished school symbols. Simet sets the requirements as follows: at each meet, every member of the team must outdo his previous score. T. J. 's team uses the pool at a local gym as their training center, where T. J. eagerly employs a homeless, middle-aged gym-goer named Oliver Van Zandt to be the team's "interim coach Oliver" (I. C. O.), a title that earns him the nickname "Icko." Meanwhile, an even more vicious friend of Mike Barbour, the racist and alcoholic Rich Marshall, is a die-hard alumnus of the school's athletics program. Rich has recently adopted the half-black illegitimate child of his young wife, Alicia, and renamed the little girl the whitest name he can think of: "Heidi." T. J., who maintains a close friendship with his childhood therapist, Georgia Brown, accidentally meets Heidi during one of her therapy sessions with Georgia. He thus learns of Heidi's brutal and racialized abuse at the hands of Rich. When Alicia and Heidi finally acquire a restraining order against Rich, the Joneses invite them to live in their home, but Rich begins stalking the house and making drunken threats. T. J.'s swimmers gradually open up about the complexities of their personal lives, and all the members, except T. J. himself, meet the requirements to be lettermen. Shocked, the rest of the athletics program, led by Barbour and a prideful teacher, Coach Benson, challenge the requirements to be lettermen. Shocked, the rest of the athletics program, led by Barbour and a prideful teacher, Coach Benson, challenge the requirements to be lettermen. Barbour can outswim Chris, Benson will have justification to revoke the swim team's letters. Insulting Chris's intellect, Barbour agrees, but Chris easily wins the competition. The swim team celebrates, but also saddens with the knowledge that they will not be swimming together next year. T. J. mends some of this sorrow by inviting a few of the swimmers, as well as his father, John Paul, to form an underdog basketball team. The following year, the basketball players beat Rich Marshall's team in a highly attended tournament. Rich, further upset by Heidi's presence in the audience and seeing her cheering for the team that beats him, draws a gun and aims at her. John Paul instinctively jumps between them and takes the bullet when Rich fires. Before dying, John Paul reveals to T. J. the name of the woman whose child he killed in the driving accident all those years ago. Rich is imprisoned and, at John Paul mentioned only to discover that she bore a child from her one-night encounter with John Paul. The child—now an adult man—is therefore T. J.'s (adoptive) half-brother and his name is Kyle Couples. T. 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