Gossip Girl (Book 1 in the Series) by Cicely von Ziegesar

In Cicely von Ziegesar’s first novel in her Gossip Girl series, readers get a taste of what it’s like to have everything you could even imagine— and more served to you on a silver platter. That’s how Blair Waldorf and the rest of her clique of friends live their lives in the big apple’s Upper East Side. Blair has worked hard to maintain her status at the top of the social ladder at Constance Billiard, a private “crème-de-la-crème” all-girls school after her best friend, “the girl who looks unbelievably gorgeous in absolutely anything she wears” Serena Van der Woodsen got kicked out for an unapparent reason sparking a lot of gossip. Now Serena has returned after getting kicked out of her new school and the other students are going crazy making up explanations to why she got kicked out twice. Blair isn’t exactly the happiest camper after she returns, she does not want to go back to the way it was before: Serena the beautiful ruler of Constance Billiard, while Blair the sidekick. She decides to ignore Serena completely and make her former friends do the same. Blair’s method works, Serena is friendless and begins to grow depressed. Serena decides to venture out into different groups of people and make new friends. Will she succeed or will she brushed aside exactly like her old friends did to her? This novel is well-worth the time, I myself literally had to put everything else I was doing at the moment on hold just so I could finish it. It’s interesting and very addictive to take a break from taking the victim’s point of view and put yourself in the bullies shoes.

A Book Review by Katlyn Williard