

1/ The book I'd like to read is "Elizabeth is Missing" by Emma Healey because I think this book is very interesting. There are many mysteries and so I bet I won't be able to put it down if I start. The story is about an old woman who tries to find back her best friend Elizabeth, who is also her neighbour. But this woman is losing her memory which makes things really complicated so she has to write down all the clues to remember everything. The most interesting thing about this story is that the author chose to talk about Alzheimer's disease and that's what makes this woman endearing. In this book, Emma Healey talks about Second World War, I think this is fascinating because I really like stories which have historical references and I've always been interested in WW2. There is another mystery with the disappearance of her sister many years ago. So this book contains suspense, mysteries, emotional things.. Well, I think it's just the best book between the four that we have studied. This book received three prizes so it means that it's a very well-written story. What's more Emma Healey is just 30 and she already wrote a book about Alzheimer's disease, this woman has to be so fascinating. I really would like to meet her and read her spectacular book!

- Posted by Zoé WATERLOT, 02.02.2016

2/ The book I chose is « Our Endless Numbered Days » by Claire FULLER because I think the plot is very interesting: a father takes his daughter away from their home because he thinks that a nuclear war will take place soon (during the Cold War) so he decided to travel to a forest in Germany where they could be safe. I think that this kind of story is still relevant because with the present day conflicts in the world, we're not sure that a nuclear war won't happen sooner or later in the future. Though I think the story is hopeful because, as I said, it's the story of a father and his daughter. What relation could be stronger than this one? They'll have to go through many tests to survive, and I love this kind of story, one full of adventure! I think it's made for me! And as long as I know about the story, there's suspense because we know that the mother will find out the secret that her daughter has carried since the beginning. I think that it's a good mix between suspense, fiction and reality. It's a story that can distract you but that can make you aware of how life can be during war time or how it can be in other countries because for the many people living in The Middle East, it's a habit to flee their country because of bombing or killing ... So I think that it's for all these reasons that I want to select this book, it's mysterious, full of adventure and it shows some parts of reality!

- Posted by Nathan LABARBE, 01.02.2016

3/ The book that I would like to read the most is "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" by Andrea Bennett. Because it's an absolutely charming story. This is a comic story about an old woman's quest to save both her dog and her friend, with the help and hindrance of various other colourful and eccentric characters. I think this book must be a compelling read. With the action, the very funny and unique characters this book is certainly atypical and would be appreciated in Russia. But I think that the author can recognize herself in each of her imaginary characters.

That's why I would like to discover her personally to see who hides behind this very engaging, intriguing person.

-Posted by Alicia RAFFIN, 01.02.2016

4/ I chose "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" by Andrea Bennett because it's the book which looks the best in my opinion. The story sounds both serious and funny and I like the idea the two main characters are old people. It takes place in Russia and concerns a dog with three legs which was kidnapped by a 70 year-old lady and an exterminator who tries to save him. It's sounds totally crazy and it's the thing I like in a book, because I don't like boring or simple stories. What's more the story talks about different cultures, it's possible to discover new things about other people in other countries. So it's for all these reasons I'd like to read this story and not another book. I hope this author is invited to Chambéry for the festival.

- Posted by Romain BRODUR, 01.02.2016

5/ I would like to read the book "Elizabeth is Missing". I think it's the most interesting book that I could read. This book highlights the life of somebody suffering from Alzheimer's disease and shows how difficult it is to live with. Moreover, we can notice that the investigation is more difficult for the grandmother who has to take notes to keep track of the different clues to solve the mystery. It's interesting to know how someone who's sick with a disease like Alzheimer works and tries to find someone with many data. Otherwise, I really liked the atmosphere of the book in the plot. It's intriguing, a bit scary and weird. The other thing that makes me like this book is the investigation and intrigue that will result. Furthermore, I really like the biography of the author: Emma Healey. I'm also interested in fiction and books dealing with dementia like this one. I think it's really cool and funny to read because there is suspense and for someone who's curious, it's interesting! That's why I also want to meet this author because I love books like hers and I like the story of her novel! I hope that this author could come to present us her book to know how she wrote it and in what conditions.

- Posted by Quentin PETITJEAN, 01.02.2016

6/ I chose the book by Emma Healey. She is an artist who grew up in London, and studied at an art college and she worked for many companies such as libraries, bookshops, art galleries, universities etc...In 2008, after the death of one of her grandmothers and the decline of the other, she began to explore the idea of dementia in fiction, and she moved to Norwich in 2010 to study for an MA in Creative Writing "Elizabeth is Missing" is a fiction novel and was published to critical acclaim in 2014, became a Sunday Times bestseller and won the Costa First Novel Award. First, it is the title of the book that aroused my interest and I like the idea of a novel dealing with a disappearance. Being curious, I find it very interesting and I wanted to know a little more. The covers also aroused my curiosity. The cover with the title, a bird in a cage on a light

background I found inspiring, as well as the sentence "How do you solve a mystery when you can't remember the clues?" I find this mysterious and exciting and it makes you want to read the book, like the other cover on which we find ourselves in a corridor with before us an open door and the other side a room with a TV. Wanting to know a little more about the history of the book, I was interested in the synopsis which gives us more details. I learned that this book speaks of a certain Maude, a grandmother with dementia who is slowly losing her memory and her grip on everyday life, and an Elizabeth who is apparently missing. Maud wants to clear up the story and needs her help, except that no one is listening. I also like the idea that the story takes place in two periods: Maud's past and present to discover the clues that will lead to another unsolved disappearance: that of her sister Sukey. "Could the mystery of Sukey's disappearance hold the key to finding Elizabeth?" This book interests me a lot, I think that reading it could make you want to know what will happen to these characters and to finish I would like to meet the writer Emma Healey to talk about the book and her life.

- Posted by Lisa GEBHARD, 01.02.2016

7/ I'd like to read the book "Our Endless Numbered Days" written by Claire FULLER. Claire Fuller is an English author who won the 2015 Desmond Elliott Prize for this her debut novel. She initially studied sculpture at Winchester School of Art. For me the most interesting thing about this book is how the dad and his daughter manage to stay alive during nine years in a forest and eat and do so many other things... I think it's the book which has the best plot among the four. I hope to meet Claire FULLER at the First Novel Festival.

- Posted by Maxime BLANCHARD, 01.02.2016

8/ I would like to read the novel 'Elizabeth is Missing' written by Emma Healey first and foremost because it's the book which interests me the most. It's a detective story and this is my favourite kind of book. The story is intriguing because there is not one but two mysteries. I want to learn more about Maud's life and the story of the disappearance of her sister and her best friend. The particularity of this story is the main character, Maud who wants to solve the mystery but she is old and she is losing her memory so she can't remember the clues. I think it will be difficult for her to find her friend. I want to learn more about her past; her sister disappeared after World War II and I want to know what happened to her. Secondly this book won a prize so I suppose it has to be interesting. The reviews are good, people say they have read this book "at a gulp". And they say the most interesting thing about the story is the human mind and the dementia. So I want to discover this character and her story.

- Posted by Aurore HEUZE, 01.02.2016

9/ The book that I would like to read the most is "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" by Andrea Bennett. This author's career interests me, because it is unusual. She did a variety of

jobs to make a living and eventually managed to be successful with her first book. Her novel is very interesting because the story is very crazy, the names of the different characters are really hilarious. What's more the plot of the novel is strange because we alternate tragic moments, and comedy like for example the kidnapping of the dog. And the three-legged dog is amazing because it's so unusual in a classic novel. The comments made by many readers is proof of the quality both of the plot and the coherence of the story. And I think "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" is more interesting than the other novels.

- Posted by Nicolas BERTHUIT, 01.02.2016

10/ The book that I would like to read the most is "Our Endless Numbered Days" by Claire FULLER. This writer is a novelist and fiction writer. She studied sculpture at Winchester School of Art. She's specialized in wood and stone carving as will be seen later this is not a coincidence. First, if I chose this book rather than the others it's because, above all, the cover is intriguing. In class we saw three different covers for this book. They are different because they were published in different English-speaking countries. All the covers have a link with wood. The first cover represents a little girl who carries some wood to maybe make a fire. We see behind her a kind of ghost or shadow. She looks lonely and sad. The atmosphere of the second cover is just as strange, but there is no girl, just the title written in the middle of the page. It is surrounded by branches and brambles. It illustrates the strange topics dealt with in the book. The third cover is very dark, we see a house, or rather a hut in the forest. We expect a book full of mystery, that is why I chose this book. Then, we learn thanks to the summary that the girl is called Peggy Hillcoat and she is 8 years old, she lives with her father. The latter took his daughter far from civilization which was according to him destroyed. They survive in the forest, they go hunting to eat etc... One day, Peggy finds a pair of boots and she wonders who they belong to. From here, a plot will be built. This book looks powerful, I really want to read it, and it's practically sure that I am going to read it. It's an action-packed book that seems to be frightening. And the vocabulary is more adapted to our level. For example, the other books like "Chop Chop" or "Three-legged Dog Story" interest me less because there is not enough suspense. And finally, I would like to meet the writer very much to ask her what was her source of inspiration and to know why she began to write at the age of 40.

- Posted by Laura VIRETTO, 01.02.2016

11/ I chose Emma Healey's book « Elizabeth is Missing » Even if I did not study this book with my group in class, this book really intrigued me, particularly the theme of Alzheimer's disease and by its plot. Indeed Alzheimer's disease interests me particularly because I am convinced that I shall have this later because already today I have the memory of a goldfish and I am very forgetful just like the principal character, Maud. I think that the author is going to make live us an intense psychological suspense and to transport us literally into the mind of Maud with precision. This I was able to understand in certain extracts, and I shall adore living that. Furthermore, I find that Emma Healey in spite of this being her very first novel has imagined a

fascinating story. She is not taken at all seriously by her close friends because of her disease and she keeps finding in her pockets small scraps of paper with "Elizabeth is Missing" marked on them. The worst thing is that the writing is hers and she doesn't remember having written all these scraps of paper, thus she is convinced that her friend is in danger in the same way as fifty years earlier her own older sister, Sakey, whose disappearance was never clarified. This summary is really mysterious and intriguing; we want to read it more and to understand everything. Besides what I really like is the confusion that we could find in this novel concerning the disease which makes this investigation more complicated. I want to read the book to know if the main character is going to manage to find her friend in spite of her disease, to clarify the affair, and especially to discover the truth. That's why I chose this book.

- Posted by Clémence CEDIT, 31.01.2016

12/ I'd like to read "Our Endless Numbered Days" the novel by Claire Fuller. I chose this book because the story seems very good and the period of this story really interesting. I really want to know how it's possible to leave your home, flee your country with the fear of war and death, and live nine years in a forest only with your dad. The main character is Peggy, who is eight years old, and goes to live in a remote hut, in Germany during the Cold War. What seems to be good in this book is that we feel exactly the same as the characters which enables us to be really involved in the story, so we don't want to stop reading. And I want to read this book because I want to know Peggy's reaction, when she discovers the population has not been decimated by war. So, my choice is "Our Endless Numbered Days", and I hope to meet Claire Fuller, I think she is an excellent author, and she must be a very nice person.

- Posted by Coralie GARNIER, 31.01.2016

13/ The book that I would like to read the most is "Our Endless Numbered Days". I chose this book, written by Claire Fuller, because it was more interesting for me than the other books. Indeed, when I read the synopsis of this book, I really want to know how Peggy returned home to her mother, and I was wondering what happened to her father at the end of the story. So, it makes me want to read the book. Furthermore, given that the narrator of the story is a young girl, it will be less hard to read the book because the language and the vocabulary used by this character will be easy. So, for our level of English, it's a good thing. Then, all the reviews about the book are really positive so it means that this novel is a great book. Now, about the author, Claire Fuller is a person that I would like to meet to ask her some questions. For example, I would like to know why she began to write at the age of 40. Finally, the other books don't interest me so much ("Chop Chop" and "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" are too realistic and I prefer when there is suspense and when the book is intriguing. On the other hand, "Elizabeth is Missing" interests me because I love mysterious stories but I'd prefer to read "Our Endless Numbered Days" because it would be easier to understand.

- Posted by Charlotte GANZER, 31.01.2016

14/ I chose the novel "Our Endless Numbered Days". I chose this book because I think it's more interesting than the other novels. Reading isn't my favourite activity, so I think this novel is not going to be boring to read. The title itself is so interesting. At school we worked on every book and every front cover, the three front covers of "Our Endless Numbered Days" are so amazing. We can see a girl, a lot of branches and wood, is a little bit scary because it is very dark. This front cover is so captivating, I think anybody who sees such an intriguing front cover would want to read the book. The story talks about a survivalist father and his daughter who flee a danger into the German forest. I want to know the story in detail especially the end. I would like to meet the writer Claire FULLER to talk to her about the book and her life.

- Posted by Simon CARBON, 31.01.2016

15/ After having read every plot, I have chosen « Our Endless Numbered Days » because I think it is the most interesting one. It was written by Claire Fuller who started to write fiction at the age of 40. First, I believe seeing two people trying to survive in the wild is really enthralling, so is their story in the wood. As far as I'm concerned the most exciting thing is to know more about Peggy's father. There is a major sub-plot that involves psychology which, I think, can lead us to see mental disorders under a different angle. Indeed, I'm very interested about everything which relates to mental instability so I wish I could live the story with Peggy, alone with her unstable father, to know more about his behaviour and the motives that have led him to act. Moreover, I want to know what is going to happen next, because the plot leads to an extreme tension without revealing the content. Finally, the story has such depth that it seems possible to go far away from the major plot, which is very attractive. To illustrate the complexity of this work of art, I would quote a critique from The Sunday Times "Fuller writes with a singing simplicity that finds beauty amid the terror".

- Posted by Bérénice FRADET, 31.01.2016

16/ I have chosen the novel "Galina Petrovna's Three-legged Dog Story" by the writer Andrea Bennet. I would like to read this book because it is an original story which takes place in Russia speaks about a dog "Borova" kidnapped by an exterminator and a 70 year-old lady who tries to save him. It is a novel with lots of action and is very exciting. It is also a book in which one can ask a lot of questions such as why has the dog only three legs? Also, I like the surreal aspects to be found in this book and at the same time it denounces the bureaucracy that reigns in Russia. It is interesting to know that Andrea Bennet had several jobs before she started writing. This experience allows her to have a richer imagination without forgetting her culture enriched by living in England and Russia. For all these reasons, I find this novel attractive, so I'd like to read it to understand the story of this novel and go into the details.

- Posted by Thomas VAN NIJNATTEN, 31.01.2016

17/ I'd like to meet Simon Wroe because his novel "Chop Chop" seems to me very interesting and entertaining. This novel talks about the atmosphere in the kitchen of restaurants. The author was a former cook so with all his work experience he knows this field. I think this novel looks funny from what the critics and summary say, this novel should be hilarious. The synopsis says that the atmosphere is more like a zoo or a prison so it must be very special, I think that the most important thing we will learn is : the living conditions of people working in the kitchen restaurants. The main characters are funny and eye-catching, the cast of characters will be funny. I think the author has created something that will be very funny because the main character who is a student will have to obey a wicked leader. There is a contrast between the food of superior quality and the insults in the kitchen. When he describes the kitchen scenes they must be very funny. I'd like to meet Simon Wroe to know how the idea came to him to write a novel about working conditions in a kitchen. It makes me wonder if it was the same in reality. For me the novel is more interesting than other novels because the universe is very interesting and I want to know more about the world of cooking and especially as the criticism explains it's a hilarious novel.

- Posted by Joan LECUREUX, 31.01.2016

18/ I chose 'CHOP CHOP' because this book is the one which intrigued me the most. Thanks to the synopsis and reviews the story tempts me to read it. It's a comic story. It's a story about a young adult who has done a lot of studies. He is recruited in a restaurant and he's happy because he is up and can move everywhere. The restaurant is situated in the London district of Camden. The restaurant's name is The Swan. But there is a small problem. His colleagues are former prisoners and criminals. The pigs' trotters on the front cover are very strange. I'd like to know why they are there, and for what. The story seems to have a lot of new developments. It sounds very interesting! It's the reason why I chose this book. Furthermore, the author, Simon Wroe, is a freelance journalist and former chef (links with his story). Perhaps the author had a similar experience? He seems friendly and I would like to meet him to ask him many questions. I hope to meet him! The criticisms are positive for example "Wit, vigour, and gleeful, necessary profanity... sheer crackling energy." -The New York Times Book Review

- Posted by Solenne QUENARD, 31.01.2016

19/ I chose the novel "Our Endless Numbered Days" because I'm interested in lots of things about this book. First, I find the title of this book very strange so I wanted to know the story and its plot. Secondly, I like these three front covers for their suspense created by the title surrounded by branches in the second front cover, or with the wood cabin in dark ink in the third. And the most surprising thing about the writer, Claire FULLER, is she began writing at the age of 40! Of course, I would like to read this book because I think the story is very interesting, captivating and unusual: she is taken by her survivalist father determined to leave London with

his daughter, Peggy, to a remote hut in the woods to save their lives because he's convinced the rest of the world has been destroyed. They will spend 8 years in the woods and after we see the return to reality for Peggy. I find this story very amazing and fascinating. And I think the story is scary, and I enjoy this. Finally, I would like to read this book because good comments have been published by many readers, like "It's a darkly fantastic first novel I recommend you read immediately." by Tor.com, or "It's spellbinding, scary stuff." by The Sunday Express.

- Posted by Coralie BELLANGER, 31.01.2016

20/ The book which I would like very much to see selected is the book called "Our Endless Numbered Days". I would like to read this book very much. It is the title of the book which most intrigued me. Once I understood the translation of this title, I wanted to know more about this story. Looking at the three front covers, this novel's plot immediately provoked my imagination. I didn't know the true story of this book so when we had to invent the plot of this book ourselves, I took a lot of pleasure in making this exercise. I then thought that it was the story of a little girl who lives alone in the wood and who manages as an adult to feed herself and be self-supporting. But ultimately I invented a story completely different from the original story. Because the girl lives with her father in a remote hut in the woods in Germany. Her father tells her that the end of the world is near. I thus think that he is certainly a little bit crazy. In the extracts we studied there is no information about Peggy's mother. I would like to know why. I would like to know how Peggy reacts when she eventually returns to civilization. I would also like to know how she reacts when she learns that her mother is still alive, and that her father lied to her. Readers' comments also tempted me to find out more about the story of this book. Because, they all say that this book offers completely different feelings which are opposed such as 'light and darkness' as The Sunday Express says. I thus want to form my own opinion. I know that to choose this book means choosing to meet the author. So I would very much like to know how Claire FULLER was able to imagine this story, how she found inspiration, and know all the problems which she met while writing her book. To conclude I would like this book to be selected to better understand the story and its themes as it's the only book which really intrigued me.

- Posted by Mélanie CARROZ, 31.01.2016

21/ I would like to read the novel "Galina Petrovna's Three-Legged Dog Story" by Andrea Benett, because it's a joyful and happy story and I like this. It's a story about the kidnapping of a dog with three legs (Boroda) by Mitya the Exterminator and an old woman (Galina) who tries to get her dog back. It's a story set first in deepest Russia and then in Moscow and it's interesting because the story could teach us more about this country and this city. I like stories set in other countries than France. Furthermore I am curious to know why the dog has only three legs. It's a story with an adventure, a kidnapping, with action and suspense and I like that. The characters sound charming and funny. I would like to read this book and meet the author because she must be interesting. She's travelled and worked in Russia and in The UK so she has several cultures and she can share this with us. She has an original and unusual career because



she was a civil servant, a charity manager, a local government officer, so she must be a multi-faceted woman who could speak a lot about her work.

- Posted by Iliane MAIZI, 31.01.2016

22/ My favourite book, is « Our Endless Numbered Days ». I think the story is more interesting than other books. It's about a little girl, Peggy and her father. He took her into the forest in Germany because he thinks the end of the world is very near. They live with no civilization, and lots of animals, but one day Peggy decides to leave and find her mother. I think this book sounds really interesting and I want to know the end. I hope to meet the author, Claire Fuller, because I think she must be an interesting person. So, "Our endless numbered day "is my choice.

- Posted by Fabien BELLANGER, 31.01.2016

23/ After all the presentations in class and after reading the plot and critics of all the books, I chose "Elisabeth is Missing". This book written by Emma HEALEY looks very interesting and mysterious. It's a detective novel and I love this kind of book, because I feel like a detective. I want to know what will happen in this book which has a lot of suspense. The story is told by Maud, an old woman with dementia. She's going to find what has happened to her friend Elisabeth who has disappeared and the mystery about her sister's death. She thinks Elisabeth is in terrible danger. For me it's going to be interesting because people affected by dementia are never usually the main character of a book. Furthermore the covers are very attractive. Those with the open door are scary, because we don't know who or what there is behind the door. And we want to know. I really want to read the book because this book is surely interesting and I want to know what will happen to Elisabeth and Maud's sister.

- Posted by Margaux GUYOT, 31.01.2016

24/ If I had to choose one of the books we worked on, I would choose the book called "Our Endless Numbered Days". The front covers of this book gives a feeling of insecurity and mystery. I like that! I want to read this book because it's a post-apocalyptic scenario describing the life of an eight-year old girl, Peggy Hillcoat with her survivalist father in a remote hut in a wild forest. They live autonomously as if they were alone in the world but one day, Peggy finds civilization and her mother. The plot is a moving adventure which seems to me attractive. Furthermore, I find that the career of the writer, Claire Fuller, is very interesting and she looks friendly. The reviews of this book are very positive. It made me want to read it. On the Amazon website, "Our Endless Numbered Days" has a mark of 4.5 stars out of 5. I have chosen this book because it's a thriller and I love thrillers but the main character seems touching. However, the other books seem to be very interesting and I want to read them all!

- Posted by Chloe DUFLOT, 31.01.2016

25/ The book I'd like to read is the one by Claire Fuller, 'Our Endless Numbered Days'. First, it is a thriller and I love thrillers. Then the different covers I saw of this book made me want to open it. The illustrations are beautiful; they catch the eye with their unusual items. It is especially true after reading some critiques that I wanted to read it. There are many positive reviews. It is said that the story of the characters is the dramatic genre filled with lies, adventure, survival, intrigue, feelings. I think that this book is special and when we read it, we would never get bored, so why not read it? I also read the commentary of a reader of this book on the Amazon site. He awarded it 5 stars, he also said "this book is both beautifully written and hauntingly tragic", all these arguments make me want to read this book. In class we studied some extracts of this book, I noticed that the sentence structure was simple and the vocabulary used was easy to understand. I hope that I can read it without difficulty and be drawn into the story as if it was written in French. It will help me to improve my English. Moreover, the story is set in London (as well as forest in Germany), London is one of the few major cities that I have visited in my life and I loved it. By reading this book I can imagine myself in the character's situation, in this beautiful city. According to all the comments that I've read about this book, it is characterized by persuasive prose and a beautiful and evocative atmosphere. Therefore it is impossible to ignore this book!

- Posted by Eline POLONI, 30.01.2016

26/ Among all the books presented in class the only one which really interests me is "Elisabeth is Missing" by Emma Healey. For a start, the front cover is very interesting: it is mysterious. It's what I am looking for from the first moment when I take a book and I know at once if I shall like it or not. I've the impression that the author invites me to come into her story, to be a part of it and that's what I appreciate. The title of this novel is very well chosen: after reading the plot I don't know if it's a thriller or not, and that's another reason why I chose it. I'm a teenager who likes fantastic books and thrillers don't interest me very much. So it's really a discovery. Moreover after reading the summary, I really want to read it to know what happens next. The book is a mixture of criminal investigation, of disappearance, of childhood memories, of quest and all this sounds really very exciting. It has the advantage to be a novel which isn't going to bore us and at the same time it must be very moving because the subject of Alzheimer's disease and of old age concern everybody. And we imagine ourselves as an elderly person with Alzheimer's disease. That's why I chose this book, it interests me and I shall read it!

- Posted by Mélissa ARNAUD, 30.01.2016

27/ After reading the summary of the all books, the book "Our Endless Numbered Days" by Claire FULLER is the one that I like the most. The story takes place in the years 1970s 1980s.

The main character is Peggy. Her father is a survivalist because he thinks the end of the world is very near. So, he decides to live in a remote hut far from civilization Germany. They are going to have to learn to hunt rabbits and squirrels, to find edible mushrooms and especially to succeed in the wilderness with animals. The front cover is mysterious and the girl is strange. Just the front cover makes me want to read the book. I think this book is interesting because we are going to see how they manage to feed themselves, to drink, to wash... Besides, I think this is a work of fiction but also an adventure story with many twists, and I love that!! Also, I want to read this book because I look forward to discovering Peggy's reaction when she understands that there is civilization after nine years spent alone with her father in the wilderness. I want to know what happens to Peggy and her father. I think really this book must be interesting. I really hope that Claire FULLER is going to be the author chosen for the First Novel Festival. So, "Endless Numbered Days" is my choice.

- Posted by Ludivine ROSSET, 30.01.2016

28/ After reading all of the plots and the critics on the internet, I have chosen the book « Elisabeth is Missing », written by Emma Healey. I have worked on this book with my group and this is the one that I prefer, is the kind of books that can please me. I love detective novels and this one seems touching and catchy because the subject is not common: The story is narrated by Maud, an old woman who has dementia; she's becoming more and more forgetful. Her friend, Elisabeth disappeared in a very strange way. She wants to discover the truth about this disappearance because she thinks that something serious happened. The disappearance of Elisabeth reminds her of the disappearance of her own sister, who also disappeared in the same way a long time ago. It's interesting because she keeps forgetting things, so it's difficult for her to solve a mystery because she doesn't remember clues. Moreover, I liked these different front covers, especially the one where there is an open door, because it is as if the author invites us into her story, to find out what happened. Well, I think that it is an interesting and delicate subject that we don't talk about enough and I really want to know what will happen because there is suspense, that's why I have chosen this book.

- Posted by Janne ADAM, 28.01.2016

29/ I chose the book "Elisabeth is Missing". I really want to read this book because the story seems to be interesting. I would like to know the following. The story is very moving. The amnesic old woman sounds a very attractive character. I think this book conveys many emotions which we can reflect upon. The subject of this book is original and enthralling. I have never read a similar book. I admire the work of the author who had to put herself inside the skin of a sick, old lady to write this novel. That is not easy for someone to do. Moreover, to take as a model, her own grandmother who suffers from Alzheimer's disease has painful effects. We are unaware of many things in connection with this disease and it is important to speak about it. The opinions left on the websites make us want to read the novel. Readers sound touched by the first novel by Emma Healey who initially had a career as an artist. The author aims to cover this sensitive

topic in an original, imaginative way. I like to read interesting books, with a serious subject, not simple stories without interest. I want to know what happened to Elisabeth. I think this book will interest me and move me.

- Posted by Amanda CERES, 28.01.2016

30/ This is my choice about the book. I think I prefer "Elisabeth is Missing". So, I worked on this book with my group and I found it very interesting. The story is told by Maud, an old woman with dementia. She tries to resolve the mystery of her sister's death and the disappearance of her best friend. She thinks Elisabeth is in terrible danger. The problem is that Maud has dementia so she has to write notes to remind herself and so as not to lose everything she discovers. I think it's very interesting to see a woman with dementia trying to resolve a mystery because it's difficult for her to remember and to meet this challenge. The most surprising thing about this book is that the story deals with a woman suffering from dementia and Emma Healey, the author of this book, began to explore the idea of dementia in fiction. So it's possible there is a lot of information about Alzheimer's disease in the book. So it's very enriching for our general culture. After reading this plot and all critics on the Internet, I really want to know what happens next. Furthermore, I'm very curious, the detective stories are my favourite books so I would like to discover what happens to Elisabeth. It's for all these reasons that "Elisabeth is Missing" is my choice.

- Posted by Marie LAMBERT, 27.01.2016

31/ This is my review of the book that I would like to read: after having read the synopsis in class I have chosen 'Elisabeth is Missing' mainly because the main character is such an endearing person, full of life despite her disease. I like this book because a family member of mine has the same disease, and it's pleasant to read this plot which shows that Alzheimer also attacks other people. Despite her illness Maud is a « heroine » who is desperate to find her friend, Elisabeth, and her sister, Sukey. I love the thriller genre. Moreover the front covers leave me uncertain about the end of the story, and I find that really interesting. What interests me also is that apart from Maud nobody worries about this disappearance, I find this strange. The story still makes me laugh as a grandmother plays the role of a detective. The fact we are invited to solve a mystery appeals to me, I would like to read this book because I'm greatly interested in this. Moreover it has really good reviews. I would like to meet the writer of this book, Emma Healey, because she must have invested a lot of time and energy to write his book. To have more information about the author and her novel I think it would be interesting for us if she could come to the First Novel Festival.

- Posted by Laure FAUVEL, 24.01.2016

32/ I have chosen 'Elisabeth is Missing' written by Emma Healey as the book that I would like to read. First, I find the front covers very interesting. Indeed, they are representative of the stories in each of the books, they are a kind of introduction and they encourage us to read the book. Just because of them, we are able to guess what the story will be about, that there will be suspense and mysteries. On one of the front covers, the ink is running on the page as if a tear has fallen on it: it indicates that the main character might be sad. Then, the sentence "How do you solve a mystery when you can't remember the clues?" shows that the main character loses her memory like an old person or somebody affected by Alzheimer's disease. The second front cover indicates it also with the many tasks as if something was missing and prevented to be clear. Then the open door without anything else gives us a strange impression. The front covers really motivate me to know more about the story. They encourage us to read the book. Next, I really want to read the synopsis. I would like to discover what happened to Elisabeth, the best friend of the main character named Maud. I'm very interested too about the mysterious disappearance of Sukey, who is Maud's sister, during the Second World War. I'm quite curious and I love detective stories. That is the reason why I would like to solve the mysteries and also see how Maud will identify the clues to find answers to her questions despite the fact that she's forgetful, she has lost her memory and she must write everything to remind her and not to forget. In my opinion, the story might be touching because no one believes Maud, she is alone against everybody. I imagine she will have to face her mysteries alone, she won't receive any help to discover the truth. I think she will need patience, because the clues will appear one by one and it will take time. I guess, nasty people might prevent her discovering the truth about her sister's disappearance and as well as Elisabeth's. To conclude, I think I will not be able to put the book down when I begin it. I want to read 'Elisabeth is Missing' because the idea of dementia fascinates me.

- Posted by Cassandre LUYS, 23.01.2016

33/ I chose Emma Healey because she writes about subjects that I love to talk about. Indeed, she treats themes around «dementia», adding images of fiction. Beside her degrees, she won the « Costa First Novel award ». Her skills as a writer are now known. These are the reasons why I hope to meet her. Among all her beautiful books, the most attractive one for me is « Elisabeth is Missing ». First the novel talks about many things that I am very interested in like : human dementia particularly memory loss and mental illness. Secondly, the story describes an aged person named Maud hit by « Alzheimer ». Indeed, it's interesting because we note that she has the strong will to fight her sickness. Furthermore, she tries to solve a mystery around the disappearance of her best friend Elisabeth and keeps searching for clues to discover the truth despite her medical troubles. We can also note that she takes handwriting notes because it's the best way for her to remember things. It shows us just how much this woman is emotionally attached to her beloved Elisabeth. This part of the novel is so nice that we won't be able to stop reading this fantastic writing. Despite being a work of fiction, the book is strongly inspired by reality.

In fact, we can see the dementia from two points of view. The first one is regarding to the patient himself. The second one is about the family's external view. As conclusion, the author's ability to describe the people attempted of dementia is totally surprising.

- Posted by Matthieu DUCROCQ 23.01.2016

34/ I have chosen to speak about the book 'Elizabeth is Missing' which is Emma Healey's novel, published in 2014. It's the book which I preferred and I am satisfied to have been in the group which was able to discover the plot in detail! Indeed, the plot pleases me a lot and the story looks fascinating. I know that the narrator imagines what it's like to an old grandmother, Maud, who is affected by Alzheimer's disease. It's in reality the principal idea of the narrative. It's really fascinating even sometimes moving to be able to be in the skin of a person who lives this disease which makes everyday life really difficult! Thanks to this book, we understand better what these people can feel. Furthermore, this story is really original. Contrary to 'Our Endless Numbered Days', there is less action than in Claire Fuller's novel. Emma Healey's novel deals with an important problem which can affect any human being. There is much suspense and madness but there are sometimes moments of description. Everything is pleasant to read! So I strongly recommend this novel to anybody who would like to know more about Alzheimer's disease, which unfortunately afflicts far too many people!

- Posted by Youri ANDRE 23.01.2016