Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in a world without death? In Neal Shusterman’s dystopian novel *Scythe*, death, disease, and hunger have all been conquered, but people still need to die in order for the population to stay under control. The two main characters Citra and Rowan are chosen to be Scythe apprentices, the only people who can legally kill others or as they call it, gleaning. Both Citra and Rowan never wanted to be Scythes but as they learn the art of gleaning, they are pitted against each other and for whoever loses, the consequence is far worse than they could have ever imagined.

*Scythe* is the first book in the Arc of a Scythe trilogy and would probably be the best for teens who like suspense or books placed in worlds different from our own. I first read this book for school, but I was quickly intrigued by the characters and the plot as it was different from anything I had read before. I also think the cover is great because it symbolizes something that occurs at the end of the story. Overall, I really liked this book, rating it an 8/10, and even went on to read the other two books in the series.

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