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Teenage Narrator Madeline Furston is raised by Parents as only child, who are the last Vestiges of a failed Cult, she lives a semi-wilderness Life in a Cabin at the edge of a Lake, on the fringe of a Northern Minnesota Forest wearing hand-me-downs from Neighbors. She may be a bit perverse and amoral or she may be just your averagely Narcissistic Teenager, prone to Casual Brutality and Blind to the Hardships and Hurts of those around her. She´s called Linda at her Middle School, but also Commie or Freak.

She is drawn to Mr. Grierson, a Substitute History Teacher, who himself pays a lot of attention to the Cheerleaders and especially Lily Holburn, she of the sleek black hair and sheer sweaters. When Grierson is later discovered to be a Pedophile on the run from a School in California, and Lily accuses him of molestation, the Reader´s suspicions are confirmed even if Linda feels deceived.

When Paul and his young Mother, Patra, move into the House across the Lake, Linda is drawn to them, as they are to her. Each Party is lonely... It takes her awhile to realize she´s been the Passive Witness to something dreadful, and it takes her even longer to process it. Inaction can be scarring, its own form of Moral Injury...

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