

## **All the Bright Places (2020)**

**They discovered that even the smallest moments can mean something.**

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Rating: 5/5

Suitable for: 13+

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This film is based on a book written by Jennifer Niven. It is produced by Echo Lake Entertainment and directed by Brett Haley.

This film takes place in Bartlett, Indiana. It is about two teenagers who come together and grow closer when they are paired up for a school project in which they are required to report on the wonders of Indiana. Violet Markey (Elle Fanning) is reeling from the death of her sister in a car accident while Theodore Finch (Justice Smith) is on probation and so he is in danger of not graduating.

Violet shuts herself out from Finch first. But as they travel to some places for their project, she begins to open up to him. They eventually fall in love and start being a couple. When the whole school have their eyes on them and one of Violet's friends tries to tell her that Finch is an "uncontrollable person", Finch vents out his rage with an intense fight. Finch begins to push Violet away, thinking that she believes that he is insane. Violet tries to tell him that she will always be there for him. Both Finch and Violet are sad and heartbroken and Finch does something terrible...

All the Bright Places is a really sad and romantic film. I didn't expect Finch to do something terrible. It's a very realistic movie because we may not be able to handle all our pressure or problems and think it's best to just distance ourselves from others and end our lives. We all don't know what everyone's background is. They can be happy on the outside but sad in their heart or they can be very mean because no one gives them any attention at home.

The film is very appealing to people who love romantic films. I do recommend it, but please keep it away from children since there are some bad words and violent scenes.