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# Sleep No More

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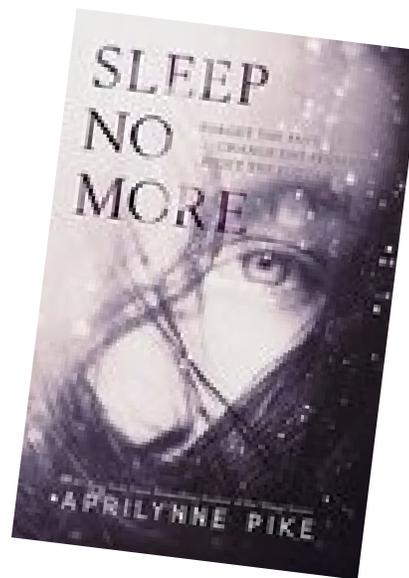
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# Book Review

**Title:** Sleep No More  
**Author:** Aprilynne Pike  
**Reviewer:** Loretta Farnsworth  
**Publisher:** HarperCollins  
**Year:** 2014  
**ISBN:** 9780061999031  
**Pages:** 343  
**Interest Level:** Young Adult  
**Rating:** Excellent



## Review

Sixteen-year-old Charlotte sees the future, but the unpredictable episodes cause blackouts, and classmates avoid her because of her bizarre behavior. But Charlotte feels that it is best they stay away: after the death of her father, she knows the consequences of interfering in the fates she sees in her visions. However, when she begins to see the murders of her classmates, Charlotte can no longer stand on the sidelines. Choosing to ignore the instructions of her oracle aunt, Sierra, and following the guidance of a mysterious man called Smith, Charlotte begins exploring her powers and seeking to protect her town. However, Smith turns out to have powers of his own and begins manipulating Charlotte, slowly taking over her mind and body. As Smith forces Charlotte to harm the boy she's falling in love with, Sierra steps in and helps Charlotte regain control of her mind, leading to Smith's death. The story concludes with Sierra promising to be more open with Charlotte and assisting her in developing her abilities as an oracle.

This book may be a bit too dark for some young readers. However, although this book has some gore, the author focuses much more on Charlotte's feelings than the gruesome visions she encounters. There is some romance with Charlotte as she connects with a boy from her past, but there is more of a focus on the relationship with Charlotte and her mother and aunt. Charlotte experiences frustration and a lack of trust with her aunt, Sierra, who also has the visionary gift of an oracle, and she is frequently torn by feelings of guilt towards her father's death. She also has a desire to protect her mother and the people in her town. There are several questions left unanswered, leaving room for a sequel, and readers will be caught up in finding out more about Charlotte's powers.

\*Contains moderate violence and mild language.