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“Trell: Nothing But the Truth” By Dick Lehr

“Trell: Nothing But the Truth” was the first book I ever read once I started Ms. O'Briens class. It's based on a true story, inspired by the real life murder of Tifanny Moore in 1988. It's a good book that slowly builds its plot as the story progresses. It's a kind of story that has adventure and mystery to it. I personally liked the book due to the genre of it plus the plot. I finished this book in about 2-3 weeks. It's a kind of book that has you wanting to read it more in order to figure out what's going to happen next. It gives you a rush of anticipation that makes you want to finish it. The story itself builds up and it all fits well together.

Trell is the main character of the story. She is a teenage girl whose father was unfortunately arrested for the murder of a girl who was around her age. Although it is stated at the beginning of the book that her father was falsely accused due to the poor court system and with all the worries that were going around during the time and death of the little girl. Trell was a very determined protagonist. She knew her father was innocent and her determination is what led to her father finally being set free and meeting people along the way that were able to help with his case.

Along the way of her journey she meets two important people that help her with her dad's case. She always knew that he was innocent but others weren't aware of this. Her father ended up talking to this one lawyer who was good at her job and was determined to help Trell's father. As the story goes on Trell meets a news reporter who at first is hard headed but then ends up wanting to help out the most with Trell's father's case. They go on adventures that give you this sense of adrenaline and rush as if you were there as well. It's something to keep you on edge. The certain scenarios that Trell was put in when wanting to dig more into her father's case makes you intrigued and pulls you into wanting more. The author describes the emotions that she's feeling in some cases where Trell is in serious danger. While doing so, the author shows her strength and enthusiasm by her not giving up.

“Trell: Nothing But the Truth” is a kind of book that keeps you curious. It makes you feel like you're a part of the story with the descriptive texts. While I was reading it I felt excited. Sometimes I would even try to make a conclusion on what'll happen next. It's a type of book that you have to read further into it as the plot develops. It's not a fast book and it works its way up slowly instead of being rushed. That's something that I personally enjoyed. It also makes you wonder what would you do if you were in the position of Trell. As a 17 year old I never experienced anything that Trell went through with her dad's case. But I do know

what it's like to live in a bad area like she did and having a hard time trying to connect with her father. Although the plot isn't something that most people can relate to, the emotions are.