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Early Lois Lowry (1977) and, though lacking the consistency of standard evident in her later work, this has, nonetheless, a good deal to offer its female 2nd- and 3rd-year secondary readers. The writing is strong and economical, and often surprises with its sudden wisdoms. Meg and Molly are sisters, taken to live in the country by their parents so father can complete his book away from city distractions. Molly contracts leukaemia, deteriorates sharply and dies. Meg is left to come to terms with her guilt and grief. Despite the occasional use of cliché and stereotype, the book remains a convincing read.

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