Foxspell

*Foxspell* by Gillian Rubinstien is about a boy named Tod who moved from his hometown Sydney to his grandma’s house far away. At his new school he doesn’t fit in. Luckily, two guys named Adrian and Martin take him in. One day, after school he goes to the quarry that he lives by to explore. He was warned by people that a gang’s hideout is there. He decides to go there anyways. At the quarry, he finds a dead fox and buries it. He gets very interested while studying the fox. Tod wants to find an alive fox. He finds lots of books on them and how to call one. He goes back to the quarry and calls a fox. A fox surprisingly comes. Right when he’s going to get a closer look, a gang member shoots at him. Tod runs as fast as he can. After a while from running he finds a guy who can change into a fox. The man thanks Tod for burying the fox, then changes Tod to a fox. The rest of the book Tod thinks like a fox and lives like a fox.

Recommendation –

I would recommend this book if you like learning about animals. I personally did not like this book because I am not into animals. It was very suspenseful. I did like most of it though because it was suspenseful with gangs. If you like books with gangs than you will probably like this book. It was filled with vandalism and graffiti art. The main character actually joins the gang so he can go to the quarry. He has to graffiti a wall to be allowed to join. I would give this book a three out of five, because it was very good and suspenseful but there were parts where it was hard to get through. This book was very imaginative. It was imaginative because there is actual folk stories from Australia. Also there’s a man is the mother spirit of all foxes. I thought the characters had very interesting personalities. There was one character that’s motto pretty much was getting in trouble made life better. There was also a character with a complete different personality. So, if you like a mixture of animals, suspense, gangs imaginative, and very interesting characters, this would be the book for you.