        I read the book *Home of the Brave*. In this story there is a young boy named Kek. He lives in Africa. Kek used to live with his mother, father and brother, but his father and brother died. They cannot find his mother. He will do anything just to see her again. He now lives in Minnesota with his aunt and cousins. He was sent here because of the war going on in Africa. Which is how his father and brother died. When he first comes to Minnesota he thinks everyone there will be bitter just like the snow, because he comes during winter.

        Soon Kek starts to make new friends. First, he meets Hannah who lives in foster care. He can really connect with her because her father was also killed. They also can't find her mother. Kek believes that his mother is still alive and will soon come to be with him in America. He then meets Lou. She lives on a farm and has a cow. Kek is sad to see the cow in poor condition, because in Africa cows were very special. Soon Kek has a job taking care of Lou’s cow. He names the cow Gol, meaning “family” in his native language. In the end Hannah, Lou, and Gol will help Kek adjust to his new life in America, and what he will experience along the way.

         The book *Home of the Brave* was a dull book. I personally did not like it at all because it was so dull. I would recommend this book to someone who likes more dull books or one that does not have much going on in it or one that do not have suspense in it. Also if you are someone who is interested in Africa and its culture. There were no funny parts or anything. No action either. The book was mainly about going to find his mother and taking care of his cow. Also hanging out with Hannah, Lou and the cow. The cow really helps him to get through the hard times or when he is troubled. I have liked other books way better. I did not like the ending either. It was sounding interesting when he was going to find his mom because she was lost, but instead they just put the cow in a petting zoo to be taken care of. If you are interested about the war at all this would also be an excellent book. The part that was the most boring is when they kept talking about the war. They kept going back to it and talking about it. So I would recommend this book to anyone who likes to read about Africa and its culture, dull or kind of sad books, or the war.