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An unnamed teenage girl decides to explore her sexuality, disregarding others' opinions, which have greatly weighed on her. The presence of peers and their judgments are unavoidable. Her chance meeting with Ahmed proves to be a revelation: a kindly and well-meaning sexual exploration in conversation alone. So sex *can* be founded on mutual understanding, awareness of yourself and your partner! But soon her social group catches up to them: our heroine's been flouting their unspoken rules. Insults fly; hatred is unleashed. But her passion and intuition usher her toward new possibilities.

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