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Letters About Literature  
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Dear Mr. Christopher Paolini:

I opened the story of Eragon, and flipped through the pages. I was deciding on whether to read it or not. I turned to the first page and I felt my mind being sucked out of reality and on to the back of Arya's saddle. As I got farther and farther into the adrenaline-pumping story I found myself reading through the pages of Eragon and escaping the world I knew. As soon as I would finish a chapter I would turn the page thinking "Just one more chapter, then I'll stop". When the day was done I would crawl up in my bed and stay up late reading to my hearts content. When I finished the book I thought it was the best one ever, and I've read a lot, trust me.

I believe authors possess a certain quality that others lack. It may be their ability to bring words to life and make them dance in front of our eyes. Or their ability to bring things to life that we have not yet dreamed of, even in our wildest dreams. Some day I wish to become an author and have that special magic, but until then I need a lot of practice. Authors are my heroes of all time; they captivate my mind and lend it wings, so it can soar to the heavens and beyond.

Since I have read Eragon, I believe I have changed. Not necessarily on the outside, but on the inside. I think what has affected me so much is that I have always thought that only the brave were courageous. I was wrong. Eragon showed me that anyone can be

courageous. Eragon has taught me to be a better person, child, friend, imaginer, sister, student and much more.

As time wears on the book becomes more and more meaningful to me. No one can explain the magic of books [well at least I think they have magic]. I know some people who think it is torture to sit and read a book, for I feel sorry for them because they have not read a book that sweeps them away. Personally, Eragon was the first book I got "hooked" on. It was the book that encouraged me to read and keep reading to this day.

I have one last thing to say to you, Thank you for giving me my wings, letting my mind soar, and lastly thank you for the best gift of all, reading.

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