



The Fault in Our Stars

Film Summary

The film, based on the best selling novel by John Green, follows the journey of two terminally ill American teenage cancer patients called Hazel and Gus. They meet at the Church's support group for cancer survivors and form an immediate bond, sharing an acerbic wit, sharp intellect and disdain for the conventional. During their pursuit of Peter Van Houten, the author of *An Imperial Affliction*, their journey takes them to Amsterdam where they discover amongst other things, the meaning of life and death as well as love.

Both the book and film have been big hits. They explore what is a difficult subject in a beautiful, thought-provoking manner and even manage to inject humour. They are appropriate for pupils studying health since they explore the issue of cancer, terminal illness and caring for the terminally ill. They are also appropriate for BUA pupils because they centre around child and teenage cancer.

Videregående pupils respond very positively to the film, appreciating its subject matter and the main characters involved, who are a similar age to themselves. It takes them on an emotional as well as a reflective journey.

Classification: Age 7>

Duration: 126 minutes

Directed by: Johs Boone, 2014