

'What's Left of Me is Yours' by Stephanie Scott

This book is one which will bring controversial viewpoints in discussion.

In Japan a spouse seeking evidence for leverage in a divorce can hire a 'Wakaresaseya' (agent) to seduce the other spouse.

In this book the Wakaresaseya and his 'target' find a connection which leads to a love story, unfortunately through deceit and which has a tragic end. Heartbreakingly there is the young daughter of the couple who uncovers the secret of the relationship many years later and seeks the truth.

The timeframe of the story runs from 1990's to current day. The main characters being the married couple, their young daughter, the grandfather and the Wakaresaseya agent. With money and legal custody being the focus or reason for the husband's wish to seek divorce.

The book is well written and gives an unusual and fascinating insight into Japanese culture and their legal system. Definitely recommended.