

Review of "The Beach"

The novel "The Beach" (1996) by Alex Garland is about Richard, an adventurous young man, who travels with two friends to a mysterious island. There he meets new people and his way of life changes a lot.

In my opinion, it is worthwhile to read the book, especially because of its extraordinary story. You get a completely new impression of places called 'Paradise' for example. 'Paradise' doesn't always mean 'Paradise', although it sounds so positive. You also start thinking about special decisions and their consequences. As the reader, you realize that things you imagined are often different from reality. I can partially identify with Richard, with his curiosity and his love of adventure but these properties aren't so strong that I would search for an unknown place that maybe not even exists. Nevertheless, the novel "The Beach" is a pleasant to read and interesting book.

I would give 3,5 of 5 stars and recommend it to young people around the age of 15.