

## Aftershock

**Bernard Ashley**

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Adjusting to the loss of his father and an unrecognizable life in England is tough for young Makis. His soccer skills, however, allow him to make friends and claim something of his old self. To help acclimate his mother, Makis teaches her to read English and matures in the process. Bernard Ashley knows how kids think: "Why can't people in the streets walk in straight lines? And why do they have to suddenly stop to look at nothing at all and get in your way?" A redemptive story, tenderly shared. Ages nine and up.

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