

## Book Review

### Arch-Conspirator

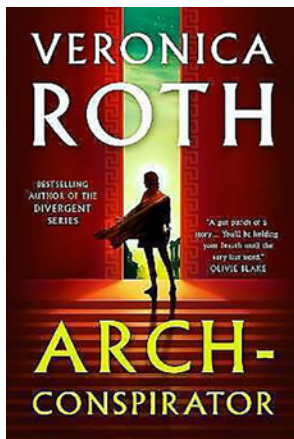
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way by attempting to give the reader an insight into the perspective of each of the different characters. It is a short work and perhaps could be criticised for being overly ambitious for all that Roth attempts to accomplish in such a short work. However, I found that the complexity of the work and its brevity created a feeling of heightened tension in a plot filled with both internal and external tension. This retelling of the classical tragedy is highly successful and well worth the read.

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Veronica Roth's *Arch-Conspirator* is an engaging retelling of Sophocles' *Antigone* in the dystopian setting of a futuristic society on a dying planet. The well-known characters of Sophocles' *Antigone* are re-imagined in this futuristic society in the midst of political turmoil. As one might expect, Antigone finds herself in trouble after giving her brother a respectable burial after he had died making an attempt on the life of their uncle, King Creon. Roth presents her retelling in a unique