

Differences Between Speak Book and Speak Movie



Rena Miller 5th Hour



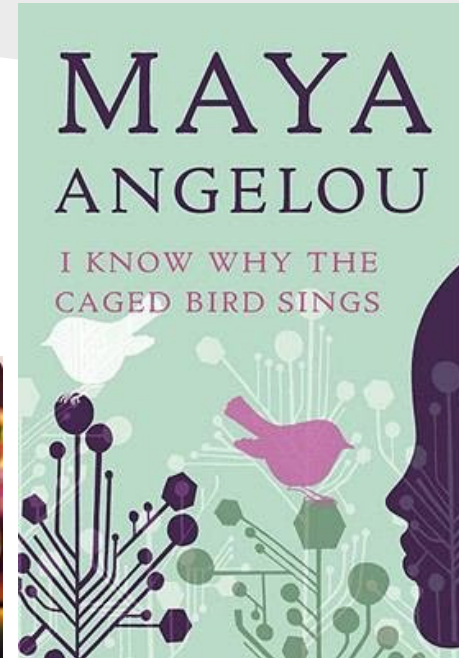
Heather's Modeling

In the movie Heather doesn't ever get into modeling, while in the book she does. This is important, because Heather's modeling is kind of her transition from being a regular girl to becoming a Martha.



Maya Angelou Poster

In the movie, Melinda never hangs up the poster of Maya Angelou in her closet, like she does in the book. This is important, because the poster is very symbolic towards Melinda. Maya Angelou was also raped, and didn't speak afterwards. The poster represents how Melinda was unable to speak about her rape and how trapped she was.



Mr. Freeman and the Closet

In the movie, Melinda decides to show Mr. Freeman the inside of her closet. She doesn't do that in the book. This change in the movie is actually important, because it shows how close her relationship is with Mr. Freeman.



Final Scene with Andy

In the final scene, Andy doesn't try to rape Melinda again, like he did in the book. Instead he appears to physically assault her. This change takes away from how horrible Andy's character is. It's the fact that after seeing how one action ruined a girl's life, he'd be willing to do it again.



Ending

In the movie, instead of telling Mr. Freeman about her rape, she tells her mom. This change takes away from how close Melinda's relationship with Mr. Freeman is, but it also strengthens her relationship with her mother.

