

# STRANGER THINGS

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Before I begin, I believe that the most important thing to mention is that there are definitely spoilers in this review.

As I sit here at my table, I try to remember the show that captivated me for three days straight. I try to remember how I was so enthralled that the only time I left the screen was to go to work. How I would shout to people that I didn't even know, "No spoilers! I'm only on episode three!" How much fear I felt for poor Will, once again at the center of danger. How I felt when Joyce, Will's mother, had to deal with an unknown being controlling her son's mind and body. The admiration I felt for Eleven, who not only stayed away from the boy she loved to protect him, but learned of her long lost

family and had fact that the never knew is forced to relive her greatest trauma over and over every day of her life. I remembered every time Eleven cried, I was on the verge of tears myself.

This show kept me on the edge of my seat and kept me guessing about what was going on in the Upside Down. I felt this season was the perfect continuation of Stranger Things. With new characters, monsters, references, new love triangles, even an "Emo" Mike, and a "Punk" Eleven [The cast called them that, not me] this season keeps true to the original while reminding viewers of that heartwarming happiness you had as a kid, and the fear

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myself. that could torment you. And speaking of heartwarming feelings, do I even need to mention Jonathan and Nancy finally becoming romantically involved? The only complaints I have for this season are about the stupidity that brought Nancy and Jonathan together. If they took down the lab without taking down the gate, then the Upside Down would have run wild and I can't handle that lack of big picture thinking. The only reason things worked out for them is because of the kids, and the fact that they basically kidnapped Steve, but now that I think about it, the kids saving the day isn't that surprising. So to anyone who still hasn't watched Stranger things, regardless of the season, I ask you this, Why? 