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Robots, renewable resources, and romance are tangled together in this thrilling futuristic novel about a utopian city and the sixteen-year-old girl who challenges its peace.

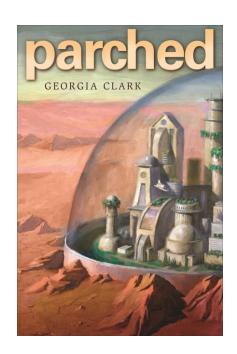
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Georgia Clark has worked as a teen and lifestyle journalist for over ten years. Her articles have been featured in *Girls' Life*, *Cosmopolitan*, and other publications. She lives in Brooklyn, NY, and studies improvisational comedy with the Upright Citizens Brigade.





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