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Claire Winston knows she's lucky to be alive—and even luckier to have the love and protection of a man like Prosper, her adoptive father and leader of the Hells Saints Motorcycle Club. Yet, try as she may, she can't leave yesterday behind. She's still haunted by Reno, the bad-boy biker her heart loves but her spirit fears. And she can't seem to escape the terrifying memories of a night filled with blood, bullets, and brutality.

Hells Saints soldier Reno has tried everything with liquor and lace to get Claire off his mind. But he just can't forget her freckles, her fierce fragility, and her tender heart. He knows he's the only man who can give her the love she truly deserves.

As Claire and Reno spiral back into each other's lives, they wonder if happiness is finally in their cards. But when violence once again explodes around them, Claire must decide if she really can trust Reno and commit to life with him—or if she'll stay chained to her past forever.

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### **Jenn says**

I really enjoyed Chasing Claire over Raine Falling. Ms. Marinaro did a better job with editing, more story development, and didn't over do the steamy scenes.

Claire has demons to face from her past and recent choices- which really, these were choices she should never have had to make. She's in love with Reno, but she's also a runner. She needs to let go of her fears, open up to Reno - once and for all, and plant her feet firmly in one place with the man who can ground her for life.

Reno loves Claire, but he's got a case of STUPIDITIS - so stupid is what stupid does. He takes off for awhile before he realizes he's an idiot and comes back. He doesn't make it easy for Claire at first, or for himself, but he learns and does all he can to man up.

In the meantime, we have a little bit of a second storyline going with Jules and Glory. They have some issues to work through and she's going to need someone to lean on when life throws her a nasty wrench in her path. I can't wait to read their book, which I'm hoping is book 3.

Also, there's a side story glimpse at something possible with Dolly, Reno's mom, and Gianni, a head crime boss of his family. I'm definitely hopeful for their own book.

While all of this is going on, Claire makes a big life choice for her future, while some crazy bad people try to take away Reno and Dolly's future altogether.

In the end, everyone needs to band together, sort their junk out, and realize what they have and fight for it. Or maybe that's just Reno - as life flashing before your eyes can do that to a person.

When I first went into this, I was a bit nervous. I didn't love book one, as the couple was ruled by their libido's, and I felt the story line lacked a real story. I was pleasantly surprised by this story and glad I read it. I'm glad that the steam didn't over ride this book and that we had a few couple's going through some stuff, with a bit of crazy left over to be fixed from book one. Though, I do wish that more drama had happened because of some left over things from story one.

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### **Mojo\_Mama says**

Review to come  
MC Marathon

What a way to fuck up the beauty of this H/h in the last book...and then fill THEIR book with bullshit, other characters for future books, stupid meaningless plot, and an unrepentant manwhore with his doormat h.

Don't bother with this shit.

Total disaster and disappointment.

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### **Deborah says**

[So Reno liked Claire the second he saw her, Claire liked Reno but was just out of rehab and avoiding bad boys.

Claire and R

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### **The BookChick says**

I absolutely loved Raine Falling and was a little scared about Chasing Claire because Claire was such a wild card with her past and addictions. I have to say that I was pleasantly surprised by the direction Marinaro took in this story. Claire put on her big girl panties and took control of her life. Although Claire was still reeling from the violent events that occurred in Raine Falling, she is trying to find a semblance of normal for her life. And surprisingly, Reno, the sexy biker who she has a love/hate relationship with, helps her to find that normal. Reno and Claire begin Chasing Claire in a really ugly place. Like him being balls deep in another woman, ugly. Although the situation that drove him to that point was feeling rejected by Claire, she is no less than hurt. The couple lash out at one another with barbs and insults and a bigger wedge is driven between them because neither of them is willing to be open about how they feel. But a moment of serendipity occurs when Claire's n-used truck, a gift from her brother-in-law Diego breaks down and she needs a ride to her first day of college. Claire calls the MC clubhouse hoping that one of the biker brethren can give her a ride. But guess who answers the call? Good ole Reno. Reno takes Claire to school and is actually so sweet, giving her a pep talk and encouragement. He even waits around to make sure she gets around alright. And one sweet, but not so selfless, gesture by Reno provides he and Claire with a bit of a detente. I mention Reno's *not so selflessness* because although HE IS helping her by taking her to and from school, he loves her and he wants her in his life. He uses their time together to woo her in his gruff and sexy biker way. I love the push/pull relationship between the couple and Claire's ability to give as good as she got. She is definitely woman enough for Reno and doesn't let him steamroll over her.

As Reno and Claire settle into a revitalized relationship -- one that is VERY hot and heavy -- some of demons from Claire's past come back to haunt them and almost ends up costing Reno...BIG TIME. *I'm intentionally being vague because I don't want to ruin the story for future readers.* There are so many **BIG** moments in this story between Reno and Claire and an epic one with Reno and his mother, Dolly, while they are visiting his father's graveside. The moment with Reno and his mother changes everything. I both loved it and hated it because it left me sitting on the edge of my seat. Fortunately, that is not where Marinaro left us. Everything definitely works and new key players, surrounding Dolly, enter into the story. I'm going to love to see what Marinaro does with THAT storyline.

I really enjoyed the story and the glimpses we see into Raine's life--settled and happy--and Glory's life--still broken but on the mend. There is a devastating event that occurs in Glory's life in this story that left me a

little broken-hearted. It will be a major game changer for Glory and I'm sure provides a nice set up for her story with Jules. I cannot wait for them!

Lovers of MC romance will definitely appreciate the depth of this story and the characters. I think they are all put together very well.

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### **Kari Kaz says**

The characters are better developed in this second book, the writing has also noticeably improved and I have a feeling this series will keep getting better and better. The secondary characters were great, I loved Prosper and Dolly.

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### **Stacie says**

Well let me begin by saying I never would have gotten to my HEA with Reno. There was a scene toward the quarter Mark of this book that would have been it for me in Claire's position. In fact I almost stopped reading and decided I needed a break from MC books. Reno was being a total a\*\* and Claire was being stupid, stupid, STUPID!- my opinion of course. But it is very hard for me to quit a book. I'm just too curious; and must know what happens. I'm so happy I stuck with this one.

Reno totally stepped up. In fact he turned out to be just exactly the kind of man Claire needed. Exactly! Claire had some issues that caused her to run, and hide. She was delicate, but so sweet and kind. Reno was persistent when it came to her. He was also stubborn and straight forward. He did not let her hide from him and that push from Reno turned out to be just what Claire needed to get to her happy. I ended up loving them together. Reno had some of the sweetest lines I've read in a long time. He melted my heart and won me over completely.

Besides the romance between Claire and Reno, there was some very good club action and drama. This book potentially set up at least three more Hells Saints MC stories. Glory and Jules, Crow is still out there and please, please, please let Captain Hallelujah Thomas get a book! I can't stop thinking about him. When the Marines showed up I started bawling. I had to take a beat and get it together. I loved catching up with Raine and Diago and Prosper. I love Prosper.

I think I might have given this book 5 stars except for a few reasons. First Reno really was a jerk in the beginning. Second, the resolution of the conflict with the club and LosDiablos was very vague. I don't fully understand the resolution. Big question marks in my head. And third, the writing was a little choppy and sometimes wordy. Some scenes were unnecessary and some others needed more elaboration. Again, my opinion.

Overall I enjoyed this book very much and I can not wait for more from the Hells Saints MC. I recommend this one to those that like MC reads. Happy reading!

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## **Sivutha says**

### **5 Claire (Ring)ing Reno's Neck Stars**

Welp....Claire out shine Reno by a long shot. Claire been through a lot in this book. The endless nightmares that she have gone through made her stronger at the end. The fact that she pull her life together and gone back to school was a plus. She literally did a 180 with life.

Reno:

I'm still virtually flipping Reno off. Assclown. Such a douchey move for sleeping around.

Diego:

Barely there

Crow:

Barely there

Jules:

Mister Idiot. He better pull his head out of his ass soon.

Over all, it's ok. The author introduced a lot of potential characters or I'm hoping they are potential characters lol. Would I recommend this series, absolutely. The book itself, I'm at half/half.

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## **Judy says**

First let me say that Raine Falling (previously Game Changer) was one of my top 10 favorite reads in 2014. I fell in love with all of the characters and the author was able to drag me totally into the story. I did not want that book to end. I seriously had concerns about the author living up to my high opinion of book 1, but she did. Chasing Claire can be read as a standalone but the reader really misses so much of the back story if they do not read Raine Falling. I really liked how the author still gave me that feeling of family love and a close knit tight family group. Prosper still melts my heart with his love for Claire and Raine. I don't think anybody who liked book 1 will be disappointed in this one at all. Claire is a runner, she tries to run many times but Reno finally pins her down. Great love story that will pull at your heart.

Claire is a young woman who is dragging a big load of emotional baggage behind her. She closes herself off from the ones who love her and runs from bad situations. Reno grew up in the club and Prosper is also like a father figure to him. You'll love the way the author develops the romance between Claire and Reno and you will see both characters grow and overcome their barriers. You will not forget this romance and you will feel the love between Claire and Reno, as well as Prosper's continued love for his girls.

I am highly looking forward to the next book in this series.

I received an advanced copy of this book from Net Galley. I had already pre-ordered the book on Amazon and will most likely read it again when it is released.

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## **Frédérique says**

Read this via NetGalley.

I absolutely loved Raine Falling and was a little scared about Chasing Claire because I didn't want the first book to be a one hit wonder, I really liked the author voice in the first one.

I shouldn't have worried, it was as good as the first, less drama, but still a page turner.

Reno and Claire have a few misunderstandings but work well through their obstacles.

I really enjoyed the story and the glimpses we see into Raine's life, she is happy and settled and Glory's life, she is still broken but on the mend. There is a devastating event that occurs in Glory's life in this story that left me a little broken-heart; and I hope that the next book will be about her.

I really enjoyed the depth of this story and the characters.

can't wait for the next... without any worries this time!

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## **Diana says**

Claire Winston is a survivor. Claire and her sister survived a troubled childhood, an abusive ex-boyfriend and she is still haunted by a brutal kidnapping. Trying to move on from her past, she goes to the one person who she knows can help, her adoptive father and President of the Hells Saints Motorcycle Club, Prosper. Of course Prosper's can help heal most of her troubles, he cannot heal her broken heart.

*Claire*

Reno is trying to forget about Claire with booze, women and long trips on his bike, but he still cannot forget how much he cares for her. He understands Claire is to be handled carefully, but she avoids him to save her heart. Just when things are looking up and Claire may finally be his, a life threatening event may tear them apart forever

*Reno*

I loved seeing how Claire and Reno relationship grows. To be honest, I thought Reno was a jerk in the beginning, but they finally are able to open up to each other and let go of the past. Their chemistry is off the charts and I loved the complete turnaround Reno has and tries to be the type of man Claire deserves

**"You just have to be brave one more time, honey. You just have to stop being afraid long enough to let me love you."**

**"I got this, Prosper. I've got her. I'm there. I just have to keep it that way."**

If you read Raine Falling, this is a must read. You get caught up with the Hells Saints Motorcycle Club, Crow, Jules, Glory, Prosper, Dolly, Diego and Raine. I wonder who the next book will be about?

\*\*I was provided a copy of this book via NetGalley in exchange for an honest review\*\*

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## Amy says

Chasing Claire follows the story of Claire and Reno. Claire is just taking one day at a time. She's lucky to be alive. No one knows this better than her, but she can't seem to let go of the guilt that surrounds a truly terrifying night. Not to mention that she's still dealing with the loss of Reno. He broke her heart when he left and she's just trying to pick up the pieces....

Reno has tried anything and I mean anything to try to forget Claire. But, try as he might, he just can't. Somehow she buried herself into his heart and now he's back to fight for what's his....As Claire and Reno reunite, they have to decide if the past can be forgotten and if their love is worth the fight?

This is my first book by Paula Marinaro and it won't be my last! I haven't read Raine Falling, but did not feel lost at all. I was hooked on Chasing Claire from the very first page. I wanted to know more about the characters and their stories. There was never a dull moment. This book had it all: angst, romance, steam, suspense, and action.

I loved Claire. She's been through so much in her young life. She's got a lot of issues and that makes her a little closed off at times and it's hard for her to let anyone in. But, once she does, all bets are off. Reno is a fantastic match for her. He's not perfect, but you can tell that he really does love her and want the best for her. I love how he challenged Claire and refused to let her go, no matter how many times she tried to push him away. And their chemistry!!!! Scorching! You just knew these characters were meant to be and given the chance, they could overcome anything that this crazy life threw at them.

Overall, I really enjoyed Chasing Claire. The story was well written and I was totally lost in the plot. I fell for the characters instantly. I really liked that this story was told from multiple points of view. I loved how real and flawed the characters were. This story did deal with some tough issues, but I was really pleased with the way the author handled them. Chasing Claire had some really great twists and turns and as I said before, there was never a dull moment. I am definitely going to have to go back and read the first book. And I can't wait to get my hands on the next book!

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## Victoria says

**3.25 RATING**-I read Chasing Claire months ago but didn't sit down to do a review until now. I guess I was a bit hesitant. I really liked the first book in the Hell Saints Motorcycle Club series, Raine Falling, and was looking forward to this one so much. Unfortunately, it fell flat.

The main complaint I have is that the author did a lot of "telling" and not a lot of "doing". There were a lot of long monologues which made for a bit of a boring read. I was actually surprised by this because Raine Falling kept me hooked from beginning to end. I was pretty disappointed that this series I thought had so much potential was kind of just going to end up "meh". I now can say with absolutely certainly that is not the case. I guess one of the great things about waiting so long to do a review is that I've had time to read the third book in the series, Taming Crow. I went in hesitantly and lowered expectations but it was a solid read, one of my favorites of the year.

So, did I love Chasing Claire. Nope. Not at all. It was solidly written but just lackluster. But the follow up was great and I'm once again excited about this series. I consider Chasing Claire a stepping stone for the author who obviously is very talented. Do I think a reader can skip it and read the other books? Sure. But some important things happen in this book that I think will come into major play in the fourth book of the series, as of now, unreleased. That's just a guess but for that reason alone, I'd advise readers interested in reading about the Hell Saints not to miss Chasing Claire.

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### **Naksed says**

Three stars is a very generous rating for a book that, within the first few pages, set up a scene that was so nauseating that I was prepared for a big, fat, rant. The only reason this is getting an average rating for me is because of the other characters and plot lines that made up for the mediocre and frustrating H and h of this story.

Let's get back to the first volume in this biker romance series of the Hells Saints Motorcycle Club in which we meet the h, Claire Winston. In *Raine Falling*, Claire Winston first makes her appearance as the strung-out, druggie sister of the main character Raine Winston. Because of her reckless actions and that of her unscrupulous boyfriend, Raine ends up off the straight path she had been struggling to keep herself on and involved in the outlaw biker life, something she had tried to avoid at all costs. I was prepared to dislike Claire but as we find out more about the background of the Winston sisters, she evoked my sympathy.

Claire disappears for most of *Raine Falling* as she is in a 28 day rehab program, from which she emerges successfully sober. On the day that her sister picks her up from rehab, she meets Reno, a foot soldier in the Hells Saints Motorcycle Club, who is there to give a ride and his protection to the sisters. Reno naturally has Bad Boy written all over him and Claire, to her credit, immediately fights her attraction to him because she is terrified to fall back into the pattern of bad men and bad decisions that have wrecked her life so far.

*Claire stood behind me frozen and Reno just stared at her. This was going well.*

*"Nice to meet you," my sister said softly from behind me.*

*"Likewise." Reno was looking at my sister like she was something to eat.*

Claire is a smart and beautiful if vulnerable and damaged girl who wants to start fresh and make something out of her life. She had my admiration for that. So Claire and Reno dance around their attraction for most of *Raine Falling*, leading to this very sweet scene between them, as they are both on a ladder trying to hang up lights for an upcoming party:

*As soon as Claire worked her way to the top of the tall stepladder, Reno was on it right behind her. Very close behind her. His hard chest and long muscled thighs pushing against her back and her ass. His arms outstretched, biceps bulging reaching past her long, thin, graceful ones.*

*"I got it," Reno said against Claire's ear.*

*Claire went very still. When she pulled her arm away, Reno caught the string of lights before they fell and reached past her to string them precisely where he knew Claire wanted them.*

*"Reno," Claire whispered.*

*"Claire," Reno whispered back.*

*Then he put his hands on either side of her waist.*

*"Step back, Reno."*

*"Not this time, Claire," Reno said against her ear.*

*"This ladder is unsteady. I'm afraid." Claire said breathlessly.*

*"My arms are here, baby. Tight around you. You take a minute and feel that. Feel how strong I am. Ain't gonna let nothing happen to you, Claire. You're safe with me. I fucking swear it."*

*It took a moment, but Claire relaxed into him. With his hands still on her waist, Reno gently guided her down.*

Swwwwwoooooonnnnn. I could tell these two characters were going to get a story of their own and after that sweet, sweet scene, I was anticipating a great read. But I was even more excited by Claire's character development towards the end of *Raine Falling*. Not to spoil plot points, but she showed a spine of steel in a very dangerous situation. And she stood up to her sister's man, a big bad-ass of a man, with sass and strength. Again, for fear of spoilers, I don't want to paste that speech here but it was EPIC.

Based on all of this, I was so, so disappointed in the turn of events that occurred in *Chasing Claire*. It was like Claire was a completely different character. From a spine of steel to spineless. From a strong woman to a weak one who lets her traitorous body humiliate her. And Reno was a complete, big, fat jerk. In the very first few pages of the book, Claire walks in on him about to bed a "club whore." Now Claire and Reno were not exactly dating. Their relationship was not conventional but there was something between them. So, in my opinion, this was a betrayal. But what does Claire do? She lets Reno get up from the bed where he was about to penetrate a very naked red-headed stripper, trap her against the wall, and put his hand down her pants. Her traitorous body then orgasms, just fifteen feet away from the other woman who is by the way still naked waiting in the bed and has a front row seat to the sex show. Then the other woman propositions Claire and Reno for a threesome.

What did I tell you? Nauseating.

Things did not improve from there onwards. Claire did not ever regain the spunk and attitude that had me interested in her story in the previous volume. Reno did not even come close to justifying his whorish ways and never really apologized for his horrible behavior, behavior that if Claire had engaged in, she would have been branded as a "slut" or "whore" by these bikers. Yes, I know I don't read biker romances for their kittens and unicorns sugary sweet romances and their politically correct male characters. But. Come. On.

Another disturbing thing was the amount of alcohol and "pain killers" Claire takes throughout the book. Now, I know she did her rehab and she was clean of the harder drugs that precipitated her downfall in the previous book, but there is no mention made at all about any struggle to overcome urges and fall back into

addictive behaviors. Nor is she or any of her family and friends who love and support her at all bothered by the fact that she imbibes alcohol or pops pills on a pretty regular basis. She has no sponsor nor does she go to therapy. This part was very implausible to me.

The only reason this gets three stars is because of the supporting cast of characters. I still believe that Paula Marinaro has put out one of the better written biker series out there. She has created a multi-dimensional world in her Hells Saints Motorcycle Clubs and taken quite a bit of time developing a multitude of characters. I like the fact that she focuses on different generations of the biker club. We have Prosper, the patriarch, his wife Pinky and her best friend Dolly. We have the major players of the club along with their old ladies and/or love interests. A B plot surrounding Glory, a friend of the club, Jules, the Viking-like medic of the biker club, and Glory's brother, a decorated Marine and badass in his own right named, of all things, Hallelujah, was riveting. There is even the appearance of a group of Italian mobsters who play an unusual role in the story. I know Jules and Glory's story is coming up and once again, I know I am going to be sucked right back into the world of the Hells Saints, despite this lackluster volume in the series.

So, please Ms. Marinaro, don't disappoint me and turn Glory, who so far is such an interesting, strong, and beautiful inside and out character, into a simpering TSTL h. I am counting on you!

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### **B.E.Love says**

\*This review may contain small spoilers( I don't think so but some may)

4 1/2 stars

The first book in This series( I read the original version and the edited version) was one of my all time favorite MC books, what the author was able to create not only with the story but the characters and their relationships was magical so of course I was ecstatic and impatiently waiting for Chasing Claire. When I found out that it was available on NetGallery and then that I had been given a copy I was overjoyed. Starting this book I had very high expectations.

Starting where book one left us, Claire is with the people she always considered her family and happy but she still carries the guilt of the night she and her sister almost lost their lives. What started rocky with Reno, then turned beautiful ended in disaster. When Reno left it was all too much and Claire has suffered from it. With the help of Prosper Claire soon finds peace. When Reno finally realizes what he did by leaving he gets home as soon as he can but what he finds isn't what he assumed it would be and Reno decides that he may have made a mistake coming home for Claire. Deciding that one of the club girls is what he needs Reno picks one quickly.

When Claire finds out Reno is finally home she goes to get her man back and walks into Reno and his friend. When Reno realizes what he's done he sets out to fix it and claim Claire permanently, but their story has never been easy and they will both have to decide if the relationship is worth it, and Claire will finally have to face her past to move forward with Reno and learn to open up and fully trust Reno. But when they think they are finally at a place they can make a future with, consequences to that fateful night come back to get revenge.

Again Prosper shines in this book and I ended up wishing he was in The book even more(as well as Pinky, who I also always loved) because he is a special character that most could only dream about creating. Paula Marinaro is an amazingly talented author who has a way with words and the story's she creates. She easily sucks you in and takes you on a journey that feels real and all consuming. I loved seeing Claire's growth and my heart broke for all she had been through but also at the same time I had so much respect for her because of her strength, and that she stayed true to who she was.

I loved Reno in book one and I loved him in His story but the man makes one stupid decision after another and I wanted to shake him and tell him to wake up. I have to admit their were several decisions he made that made me really mad at him and made me question him, in the end I loved him but I would have liked for more groveling by him to show us how sorry he truly was( I like my heroes to work for it).

We again get a plethora of spectacular characters that just makes this book that much more amazing, and we get more insight into Glory and her past. I can not wait for book three, I loved Glory and Jules in book one and I fell in love even more with them in this book. I will be getting book three the second I can, it can't come quick enough. After this book my list of books (for characters) I want Mrs. Marinaro to write about is very long( including Glory's brother.....,please). Overall this was a great second book in a series I quickly came to love.

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### **Ashleyjo says**

F me! I really enjoyed book one, but this one was a whole lotta shitty!

### **Woe Is Me**

In book one, the *woes* were real, palpable off the pages, and nothing was forced. I empathized with the characters and wanted them to solve their problems.

In this book, the *woe* of 'I killed them'... 'I'm so f'ing horrible'... OVER AND OVER for 12-13 chapters just wasn't believable. It's nothing but repetitively forced angst and woe.

### **Dickwad, Literally**

The first book involved the MC's meeting and Diego screwing a girl thereafter, but in that case, the MCs had not screwed and DID NOT have a relationship yet. The characters kissed other characters during the outs of the relationship, but neither screwed anyone else.

In book two, the MCs have had a relationship for some time & have screwed for days at a time with some kind of push and pull standing in the way of making it official. They have an out. He screws around a lot. He comes back and jumps in bed with a club ho. Female MC walks in on him screwing ho. Male MC gets up and pins female MC to wall and finger fucks her {willingly} with ho still in his bed. He then offers her a threesome because he's pissed at her. I don't mind the dirty, gritty shit of Mclubs, but I don't want to read cheating shit nor MCs literally having their cock in one chick and two seconds later trying to stick it in the

female MC that he supposedly "loves."

### **Story, What Story?**

At 44%, literally nothing has happened. It's he loves me, he loves me not angst with no communication ; everyday school and work shit; and diatribe dribble about mundane shit that NO ONE CARES ABOUT! The most interesting thing to happen by 46% of the book is a fight between Jules and Glory, supporting characters mind you, that takes up an entire chapter. Earth to author, earth to author... When a fight over Rice-A-Roni and mobsters between secondary characters take up an entire chapter in your book, YOUVE GOT A LAME ASS STORY WITH YOUR MAIN CHARACTERS and should regroup vs using fill-in sub character drama. By the end, the only thing with any substance at all to happen was a shooting and an engagement.

### **NOT A Standalone**

This is far from a standalone. No wedding with the MCs . Glory's f'd up shit and her brother are left hanging. Dolly and her weird relationship is hinted to, but then never mentioned again. It's alluded that some shady shit might be going in with Crow and Raine, but that two is just never mentioned again.

Honestly, this entire book should've been condensed to a few chapters in the last book or the first few chapters in the next book. It was boring as hell and didn't even offer up a satisfying conclusion.

### **MCs That Didn't Spark**

I think Claire, the female MC said it best herself: "Sometimes I felt like he and I were a big puzzle to be solved and every time I got close to solving it, I discovered a new piece that just didn't seem to quite fit."

^ my sentiments exactly, Claire. The author tried to force these two MCs to fit a story, a romance that just DID NOT fit. Diego and Raine worked in book one; they were complicated and had out moments, but they were like the ocean and the beach...They just went together in a natural way. Claire and Reno were more like the clash of a dirty diaper and cheap floral spray.. Unappealing and stinky!

### **POV Structure Clusterfuck**

In book one, POVs would switch without warning in both dialogue and thought from character to character. Even secondary character's inner thought processes we're thrown in to the story. It didn't particularly cause a problem because the story was engaging and kept you focused. However, because this book was filled with random & senseless dribble, long descriptions of mundane, etc.., it was EXTREMELY difficult to follow when the author wrote this from multiple POVS and included the inner thoughts of multiple characters. This is what you call a clusterfuck!

I've lost interest. I loved Prosper and I looked forward to Glory's story coming out, but this series is just too much hodgepodge for me; too many tiny bits and pieces of story and characters rooted under a massive amount of bs for me to waste my time trying to dig for gold:(

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