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**Chris- Bookaddict says**

YEAHHH AN HEA woo hooo I knew Nicole Would not disappoint us with the sequel !!!!!

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God where to begin , the lost and broken Girl Jay we all met in Ruining me Comes out a whole new person by the end of this book . Jay Meets Eli and damn if he does not bring the best out of her and make her realize that she needs to LIVE for herself. She is becoming very determined to LIVE and to love life and be determined to have a future . Jay went through hell and back and she truly does come out on top in the end . What an Amazing way to end Jay's story ...

**God,I don't even know why I try. You drive me bat shit crazy."**

Kane, if you did not love him in Ruining me , you will by the end of this one . If you did love him in Ruining Me , then you are truly going to love him a hell of a lot more after Ruining You . He is amazing , his love his devotion and his Heart belongs to Jay and the way he stands back and lets her love herself first is truly beautiful .

**"I've loved you for a while, but I wanted to make sure that you could love yourself first. I needed to know that Jay, because otherwise, we never stood a chance. And I want you, love you, and now you're mine. Forever," he states, staring into my eyes.**

**"Every day is a new start and a new beginning. Always remember to treat it like a gift."**

Nicole Awesome Awesome Job on Bring Jay's Story to a close , I know her and Kane will forever be in my heart and I will never forget their story .

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**Ninoshka• says**

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**Lise \*friends don't flag\* says**

#### **4.5 Beautiful sequel stars**

This was a wonderful sequel to the heart-wrenching book, Ruining Me.

Jay is in a rehab facility trying to recover from all of the devastation she has endured over the past two years, culminating in the shocking ending of the first book.

Jay has nightmares reliving much of her pain and does not want to participate in the group sessions until she meets the amazing Eli. God, I loved him. He was just what Jay needed in her life, and you (the reader) will find out why.

Let me just say that his goofy jokes and sexy looks are an added plus.

**“Snarky, stuck-up girl one second, lost little girl the next”**-how Eli describes Jay

**“I don’t know if I have just one ‘brand’. I think I shop at the thrift-store of crazy.”**- Jay to Eli

While Jay and Eli find healing together and form an incredible bond, Kane is still trying to connect with Jay in the form of some heartbreakingly raw letters. Letters Jay never responds to.

You see, Jay wants Kane to move on as she feels he deserves better than she can give him.

I thought the author did a great job of describing Jay’s journey through the depths of depression and finally the acceptance of what life can be like. And with the help of her counselors and Eli, she finally felt she was ready to return home.

**“Sometimes the bad things that happen in our lives put us directly on the path to the most wonderful things that will ever happen to us.”** -Eli

The nightmares and guilt continued and Jay had to learn to deal with the pain in a non-destructive way. But with the reminders of what happened to her all around, this was no easy task.

All of her friends and even JT’s Mother offered their support. But the one that was really there for her was Rhye, her ex-lover and escapism partner. I have to admit that I fell more in love with Rhye in this book and I secretly wanted Jay to run off with him.

So... after some time and clarification of feelings, Kane and Jay finally come to terms with what their relationship is and is not.

However, there is still the issue of what Jay will do to put her rapist away as well as her guilt over JT’s death.

Props to Ms. Reed for the flashback dreams of J.T. as these really helped Jay on her road to recovery, J.T. was her angel.

I also thought the journal entries added a very insightful touch into Jay's healing...

~Dear Journal~

I think I'm asking for trouble...wait... I know I am.

~Dear Journal~

One makes me laugh...One makes me cry... One touches my heart... One owns it

The ending has an unexpected twist and an epilogue to top all epilogues ... Loved it!

**"Every day is a new start and a new beginning. Always remember to treat it like a gift."**

**"For me, life is all about remembering to seize the day and never looking back"**

\*Thank-you Ms. Reed for providing an ARC in turn for an honest review\*

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## **Kirsty says**

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Nicole Reed you have completely outdone yourself with this book, it was absolutely incredible!

Ruining You starts off a couple of months after Ruining Me. Jay Stevenson has been through hell and back in her short 18 years and she had finally had enough. How could she possibly go on when her innocence has been robbed of her, as well as the love of her life? She is trying though, and after two months in a facility, seeing therapists and talking things through, Jay is finally beginning to heal.

***"Time is now measured from the night when death stole from me, took my battered heart,***

***and left me behind."***

Whilst in the facility Jay meets Eli, someone who has been through just as much tragedy as her, and in that tragedy they find some sort of peace in each other. Jay is finally able to let out her thoughts and feelings and not feel afraid. Eli, was quite possibly my favourite character in this whole book, everybody could do with a friend like him.

***"Don't let go now, Jay. One-by-one, place each piece of your soul back together, but this time, make it stronger. Close your eyes and do it."***

This book brought out SO many emotions in me that I thought I might explode. I smiled, laughed, cried, everything. My God it was so emotional, Nicole Reed has an incredible way of making you feel absolutely everything that her characters feel. My heart broke over and over again for Jay, I could finally sympathise with Rhye and appreciate his feelings, and as always I just fell more in love with Kane.

***"Believe it or not, I would go through the pain of losing you ten times over for that boy to still be alive. For you Jay, so that you wouldn't have to live with this for the rest of your life."***

Whilst reading I was constantly asking myself the same questions. How could she possibly find a way out of this hell hole that has become her life? How could she possibly move on to new relationships? How could she choose between the gorgeous Kane with the huge heart ready to love her, or Rhye the sexy rocker that can excite her just from being in the same room? I don't know how she came up with it, but Nicole delivers all the answers PERFECTLY. I didn't find myself hating anybody at any point, everybody's actions and reactions had a completely valid reason and I felt like I was there with the characters living through everything with them.

The book isn't by any means an easy one to read, right from the start it's tough, but I love that and need that for it to be a good book. Everything that happens to Jay is real and it happens every single day. So even though it is very painful to read, I am so glad Nicole took the chance on writing a story about the issues surrounding Jay.

***"Sometimes the bad things that happen in our lives put us directly on the path to the most wonderful things that will ever happen to us."***

I have to agree with another reviewer now that I have come to the end of this book. I started off as Team Kane, I grew to appreciate the Team Rhye's but in the end I am Team Jay. She is an incredible, beautiful, strong character and Nicole has done an immense job in bringing her to life.

*\*I was provided an ARC in turn for an honest review\**

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## **Kellie Maddox-Ward says**

We are thrown back into the lives on Cal, J.T, Jay, Rhye, Kane, Molly, Reed 3 months after the ending of Ruining Me. Also welcome a newcomer Eli.

*Photo taken from Nicole Reed's Ruining Me FB page*  
<https://www.facebook.com/RuiningMe?re...>

***"Time is now measured from the night when death stole from me, took my battered heart, and left me behind." – Jay***

Jay is seeking help for her depression at a voluntary facility.  
She is slowly trying to get back to her life.

While in care she meets Eli and he becomes the best thing she could ask for. He knows what she is going through, and slowly starts to help her heal.

***"Don't let go now, Jay. One-by-one, place each piece of your soul back together, but this time, make it stronger. Close your eyes and do it." – Eli***

Kane has been sending Jay letters. She doesn't reply. She wants...needs him to move on. He deserves better than her.

J.T's Mum has been trying to see her she refuses she just can't.

Her relationship with her Mum and Dad is severally strained and they all have a long road ahead of them.

Jay has decided that she wants to live.

***"Don't lose out on something that could be forever because you think the timing isn't right. Don't let fate decide," –Eli***

She leaves the facility and is immediately thrust back into her world with a welcome home party thrown by Molly and Reed.

She finally see's Cal. Who is paralysed from the waist down. *Cue the tears. Heart wrenching scene!*

When she sees's Kane at her house, she still feels for him deeply. As much as she wants him to move on, it hurts **BADLY** when he tells her he can't stay as he has a date.

*Cue more tears*

She is still having nightmares about Coach Brand, also about J.T and the devil as she believes god punished her.

Slowly with the help of her friends, Kane, and Eli she starts to get her old self back.

Eli decides it's time to start living again, when he drags her out dancing. They end up at Vortex.

Rhye is there and he sings Jay a song he wrote her.

*Cue massive smile cos it's goddamn beautiful!*

***You can say you hate me  
As your eyes devour me tonight,  
Tell me you don't care***

*When you know this feels so right.  
If you need someone to blame  
For the lust that burns too bright,  
Just hit me hate me, damn me,  
But please let me have one more night.*

Unfortunately Kane is there with a date. He see's Eli and Jay and thinks it's a date as well, he is not happy. Fair to say he's **REALLY** not happy when Rhye sings Jay his song.

And he snaps. He's done waiting for Jay to be ready.

*“Are you kidding me?! I’ve all but spelled it out.”*

*“Spelled what out?”*

*“That I want you to care for me the way I care about you. I fell for the damaged girl that had seen the same hell that I had and experienced the depth of loss that many can never understand, We might have been brought together by our pain, but somewhere along the line, it became all about you. I want to live my life showing you the things to live for and the things you can’t live without because I already know that I can’t live without you. I’ve tried and it sucks.” – Jay and Kane*

Will Jay choose Rhye or Kane?

Once and for all the decision needs to be made.

*“He has captured my heart wholly and stolen my soul for eternity.”*

Is she choosing to live?

### **MY HONEST OPINION**

I’ve said it before... I’ll say it again!

**GODDAMN YOU Nicole Reed!**

This book.. this book... This FUCKING BOOK..

I cried

I giggled

I bawled like a baby

I laughed

I swooned

I had a headache from crying.

I smiled

But by the end of it I looked like this



It was a **PERFECT ENDING**

And that is why I love you! The way your books make me feel?!?! \*Sigh\*

You rip my heart out and then put it back together stronger than it was. **and that** is why I read. To escape reality, become BFF'S with the characters and get my HEA as life always doesn't give you one!

My heart broke for Jay. It really did.

But to be honest I felt worse for Kane and Rhye.

She lead them on. Them turned cold. Then hot again. Then cold.

The not choosing killed me.

(view spoiler)

So all in all..

For all of us lovers of heartbreaks, Love triangles and HEA... read this!

Just make sure you read the first one first and have this one on standby as you will want to jump straight into it!

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**LZ says**

**!!!LOVED IT!!!!**

I'm going to start by saying that no review I write will do this book justice; I can only be honest so, here we go....

First and foremost, I need to admit that I very rarely fall for the heroine. Honestly, I wasn't sold on Jay from Ruining Me. I was (still am) a loud and proud member of Team Kane. At first, I couldn't relate to this 18-year-old girl at all. We didn't share similar situations, experiences, or thoughts, **but somehow, someway, something happened.** Jay happened. She grew and came to life.

The beginning started out somber, tugging at my heartstrings. Soon, I became a mess, I was on eggshells, butterflies in my stomach, heart pounding, my chest tight, but **it was so worth it!!!** We needed the dark to get to the good stuff.

For all of you who have been anxiously waiting since Ruining Me, you're in for a treat! This is an amazing sophomore effort by Mrs. Reed; she surpasses any and all expectations I had for this sequel. She has matured as a writer and I'm happy to see it. I love the journal entries; they gave great insight into Jay and her growth. The addition of Eli was genius and I was completely charmed by him. This book felt like revisiting old friends, only to be pleasantly surprised that they're better than you remember and when you're done, you love them even more.

With every book, you always want to fall in love, find your next book boyfriend ....Well, I fell in love all

right, but with the last person I expected...Jay... and I thank Nicole Reed for introducing us.

\*\*\**I was given this book for an honest review.*\*\*\*

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## **Jennifer Kyle says**

*"One makes me laugh...One makes me cry...One touches my heart...One owns it."*

The first book Ruining Me, did just that, it ruined me. So saying that I was nervous to tackle the sequel is an understatement.

This story starts out right where we left Jay in Ruining Me. The author does an **AMAZING** job of conveying to the reader all of Jay's feelings about the tragic end of the first book.

We follow Jay to a rehabilitation center, where she is working through her feelings of fear, guilt, shame and utter devastation at the loss of her Prince. She searches for reasons to live and be happy.

Jay finds a friend in a fellow patient named Eli. Eli is terrific! He is wise, funny and fits perfectly in Jay's life.

*"Don't let go now, Jay. One-by-one, place each piece of your soul back together, but this time, make it stronger. Close your eyes and do it."*

There are scenes in this book like the cemetery and her dream scenes that had such a comforting effect on me. The realization that "his" love could shine through the thin veil of life and death was just beautiful.

You will cry make no qualms about it. Nicole Reed delivers Jay's steps to gaining control of her life superbly.

As Jay leaves the comfort of the Lanier Oaks, she slowly re-enters back into her life. Her parents step up throughout the book as well as her friends. Old loves and new loves show their support and their dreams of having a future with her. Jay works on herself first, she finds happiness and handles the "monster" and the looming trial head on.

The author does a fantastic job of not cramming a new love down our throats. She gives the reader time to grieve and fall in love right along with Jay.

*"You are happy."*

*I nod my head at him, looking into his eyes.*

*"You want to live this life," he states, not questioning.*

*"Yes."*

Nicole Reed job well done. I'm so happy thank you!!

*"You make me happy. You make me want to live for me, to have this forever. To have you forever."*

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### **Nicole Reed says**

I believe in this book, with all my heart, and all my soul. This is for Jay.

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### **Stacey says**

OH MY...not sure if I should read this one... The ending to Ruining me literally about Ruined ME! Smdh

EDIT: Soooo I read it...hmmm...hmmm...hmmm??? I really don't know what to say...This book for me was just OK. That's not a completely bad thing but not exactly great either. The first book in this series Ruining Me left me with a WTF ending and so I needed to read this book to find out what happened next. I pretty much knew where this story was headed and I can't say that I was excited about that going into it...

In the first book I was not really feeling the chemistry between the h Jay and the H Kane. I was hoping this book would get better and I would be able to see their chemistry but it never really happened for me. I had a really hard time connecting with these characters and feeling it.

I can respect the struggles and journey of Jay. She really went through a lot but some of her actions still left me confused. She was supposedly so distraught and in love with her boyfriend JT but yet so ready to jump into things with Kane and toyed with Rhye on the side. I understand she needed to move on after losing JT but it just didn't feel right for me.

The actions of Kane also left me confused. He was so crazy about this girl that dumped him for another guy and did nothing but toy with his feelings. I just did not see the connection between Jay and Kane. Maybe it was just too quick and rushed them getting together for me. I really cannot pinpoint the exact ingredients but it just didnot mix well for me...

Also I did not understand Jay's parents. WTH?! I mean I know some parents can be cool but these folks were way to cool to be believable. Your 18 year old daughter (yes technically she was an adult but still)was raped and pregnant by a teacher but you are OK with her dating and being with all these men. Idk..and who's mom tells them to not have sex for a month for a week vacation?? Hmmm...these things just didnot sit right with me. I just felt more and more situations were too unbelievable...

Overall this book was just OK for me. I can't say that it was just awful but I was just not overly impressed either.. \*sigh\*

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## Paula says

Let me start by saying that I've been left feeling a little disappointed with some of the sequels that I've read lately. However, this one nailed it! I loved the build up in the beginning, and the way Jay came to terms with the realization that what happened to her was not her fault. It was refreshing to see Jay put herself first, and take care of herself FIRST. So many times it becomes about the other person, and I loved the message that Jay had to love herself before she could love someone else.

We meet Eli in this book and what a great addition he was! Loved him! Ahh Kane and Rhye. Kane. Rhye. Who wouldn't love those choices? Sighhh. I had a bigger soft spot for one going in, but Nicole Reed sucked me into the story and changed my mind completely. The characters were fleshed out and nothing was rushed or dragged out needlessly...it was spot on!

I was really impressed with the flow of the story and that the topic spoiler: (view spoiler) wasn't just put there as a plot point, but rather, handled brilliantly. Nicole Reed wove the heavier topic in with the love story perfectly.

I devoured this book from start to finish because I was so wrapped up in it. It wasn't angst overload the whole time, and I really appreciated that. It was just enough to keep the story moving, but not so much you don't know if you are coming or going. In the end, I was happy with who Jay chooses, and the way everything wraps up.

Overall, I really loved this book and think this is the rare case where the sequel outdoes the original! Great job!

**\*\*I received an ARC of this book in exchange for an honest review\*\***

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## Christy says

5 Stars!!! Ruining you is the perfect sequel to Ruining Me!

It's been two months since Jay's life has come crashing down around her... or two years, depending on how you look at it. Jay is currently at a rehabilitation facility, getting by and hiding out.

***I thought losing me would be the worst pain that I could ever feel, but I was wrong. Losing someone I love is ten times that pain. Causing that loss... unimaginable. Causing pain... unbearable. I'm here. I eat. I sleep. I walk. Life goes on... for me.***

After meeting new patient, Eli (by far one of my favorite characters!) who has been in a similar situation and 'gets' her, Jay slowly starts to heal. Eli is funny, supportive, and one of the sweetest guys. He is exactly who she needs in her life.

After another month of progress in the rehab, Jay goes home. It gets a little complicated from there. Her parents are a little over protective at first, but at least they have stepped up and are there for her. Mostly just facing her guilt, and her grief, seeing Cal and JT's mom... learning to let go. And facing the fear that

someone is still out there awaiting trial that she could bump into at anytime. It's scary. But she is trying.

***I will try first to live for me, but on days I feel like I can't go on, I will live for him.***

MY JAY

She is doing okay at home, with the support of her friends and family. But there is also the matter of these two guys...

**One makes me laugh... One make me cry... One touches my heart... One owns it.**

MY KADE

MY RHYE

I will say, I've always had a bit of a soft spot for Rhye. He stole my heart- for a second anyway... writing Jay another song ah.

But I am now, and have forever been TEAM KADE!!!

? ***"You make me happy. You make me want to live for me, to have this forever. To have you forever."??***

***"I love that you understand the pain in me."?***

***"I love that you know the real me, and you're still here."***

***"I love how you protect both your heart and mine."***

Oh Kade... you sweet and sexy man! I have nothing but love for Kade! He is patient and understanding of Jay's situation, along with the complexity of her feelings for JT. Just adore him! Oh my Kade (view spoiler)

Jay is a survivor. Some may think because of the things she did that she is weak, but she is so strong. I can't fathom going through half of what she went through and being okay. She was able to heal and her journey was beautiful.

***Looking into the mirror, I don't hate the girl I see anymore. I feel sorry for her. Had things been different, she would have had an amazing life. But the truth is, I can still have an amazing life, just not the same one. My choice; my path to choose.***

What an emotional roller coaster- but it was a beautiful ride! My heart broke, I was smiling, laughing, crying, crying some more (although some were happy tears in this book!) Jay's story is truly incredible. It moved me.

When the book was coming to a close, something crazy happened- I really didn't see it coming! The ending was absolute perfection. The story flowed, once I started this one it was hard to put down. The author really has a way with words, the writing was amazing!

Ruining Me may have broke me, but Ruining You put me back together! Left me with a smile on my face wanting to embrace life and seize the day!!!

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**Mersina Seena says**

My review is for both books as a whole due to the fact I read them back to back, so to me the story was one huge book to me. (Even though it was not long enough)

**"I've never burned for a woman before, and all night, I burned for you." - Kane, Book 1 Ruining me.**

Hold the phone people! I have a new book husband! And his name is Kane.

This man is so fine that if someone offered me Kane or a never ending supply of chocolate..... I would choose Kane! Yes people I would give up chocolate for life if I had a Kane.

Now let me give you some visual of my Kane.....

Ruining me, I picked up because of the book Metamorphosis. And I am so glad I did. The pure and raw emotion the author delivers us reader is truly soul wrenching that it breaks you into tiny little pieces.

**"Yes, you made me want my future again. The only problem is, he was my future first." - Jay, Book 1 Ruining me.**

I was shattered. Broken. Beside myself when book 1 ended. And due to the ending it had that was the reason why I only gave book 1 a 4 star rating. I will not go into detail as I do not want to give anything away. I loved JT so much that I wish there was just another way. And even though I loved JT he definitely was not for Jay.

In book 2, Ruining you, we slowly as readers start to mend our broken and shattered hearts right along side Jay.

From get go the tone to this book is a lot more heartfelt.

**"Don't let go now, Jay. One-by-one, place each piece of your soul back together, but this time, make it stronger. Close your eyes and do it." - Eli, Book 2 Ruining You.**

Nicole Reed you somehow, somehow captured my heart. Then shattered it into a million pieces. And finally mended it one by one, piece by piece, back together. And for this beautiful ride you allowed me to experience your story will forever be embedded into my mind.

**"Believe it or not, I would go through the pain of losing you ten times over for that boy to still be alive. For you Jay, so that you wouldn't have to live with this for the rest of your life." - Kane, Book 2 Ruining You.**

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**Angie - Angie's Dreamy Reads says**

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#### **4.5 AMAZING, BRILLIANT, FANTASTIC, WONDERFUL STARS**

*\*\*\*\*SPOILER ALERT - If you have NOT read the first book Ruining Me DO NOT read this review! It's impossible to review this book without mentioning the epic ending in Ruining Me. PLEASE, PLEASE go and read the first book and then come back and read this!! \*\*\*\**

**"When you have nothing but time to re-examine your entire life, you see things a little clearer, and right now, all I have is time. Time is now measured from the night when death stole from me, took my battered heart and left me behind.**

**Sixty four days is an eternity to live with guilt that weighs me down and the thoughts that swirl around my head. The path I chose is the one I continue to choose. With every sunrise, those feelings strengthen. My soul is broken into a million pieces, and I find new fragments every day. The deconstruction of me is painful, but there are reasons why I can't finish what I started."**

Well to say I was eagerly anticipating this book is an understatement. I absolutely **LOVED** the first book in the series and when the end came and J.T died I thought I would absolutely die with him. I was so heart broken and destroyed. Honestly I didn't see the ending of the first book coming. I had no flipping idea and when it happened it hit me right in the heart. I knew that Jay was going to have a hard time moving on. What she's been through and even witness is so traumatic and heartbreaking. So when the second book picked up with Jay in an inpatient program my heart started to break for her again. Death is so tragic. It was incredibly hard to see Jay struggling so badly with not wanting to live and carry on without JT.

While she's in treatment trying to get her life put back together she meets this **AMAZING** guy named Eli. Eli really was one of my favorite characters in this series. Jay and Eli are in treatment for different things but they find a common ground and really help each other face their past (there is **NOTHING** romantic involved!! It's pure friendship). Jay isn't ready to come home and face her life and stays in treatment for 3 months. In those three months she doesn't talk to Kane at all. He writes her letters but she can't bring herself to respond. She doesn't know how to cope with it and definitely doesn't know how to deal with the relationship with him. Eventually though Jay knows she needs to come home and face her friends and family. She needs to learn how to open herself up again and how to make strong healthy relationships. When she heads home life is different for her, her friends are more protective and over all the time, Kane is moving on with his life, her mother and her need to rebuild their relationship and she is broken and depressed still mourning the loss of JT. Not only does she have to adjust to all that, she has to face the pending trial and deal with her rape.

Even with all these changes her attraction to Kane is still strong and magnetic. There's so much guilt she carries with her but she can't seem to keep herself from wanting him and craving him. She knows she has to let J.T go (*ugh...my heart breaks*) but doesn't want to.

*"One makes me laugh...One makes me cry...One touches my heart...One owns it."*

Kane's not the only boy that makes an appearance though. Rhye is back and in love with Jay. He's never gotten over her. This causes a little bit of a love triangle. Jay has to decide which path she wants; to try and move on from JT and have a relationship with Kane or to choose Rhye which is a destructive and unhealthy choice.

Beside all the relationship drama Coach Brant is back and the plot really, really takes a turn in the end that leaves you surprised and gasping.

I thought Nicole Reed did an excellent job with this sequel. I was really happy with the way it turned out. Rape and Death are hard things to write about but she did it well and eloquently. I saw growth from all the characters. Kane was still absolutely delicious and selfless. His love for Jay really shined through. The boy has so much patience with her it's incredible. Jay is a sweet girl and definitely a character that I love. I wanted to see her happy so badly and I definitely felt when I finished the book that she got her HEA.

***"I fell for a damaged girl that had seen the same hell that I had and experienced the depth of loss that many can never understand. We might have been brought together by our pain, but somewhere along the way, it all became about you. I want to live my life showing you the things to live for and the things you can't live without because I already know that I can't live without you. I've tried, and it sucks."** - Kane*

Overall I think Ruining You is a fantastic conclusion to a series that I absolutely love. I love Nicole's writing style and the depth of her characters. I felt that she did a brilliant job of bringing the characters full circle and leaving us feeling like they all got what they needed. I felt closure with J.T.'s death. It still kills me to think about it but I think that everything happens for a reason and I like the way the author handled it. I would **HIGHLY** recommend this series. It's definitely one of my favorites.

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**Alexis \*Reality Bites\* says**

QUICK REVIEW -mature content reader discretion is advised.

4.5 STARS out of 5

Genre: New Adult Romance

**Do not read if you have not read book1 because spoilers may be in your future...**

**After all hope is lost..**

*"Sometimes the bad things that happen in our lives put us directly on the path to the most wonderful things that will ever happen to us." ~Eli*

**EXPLOSIVE.**

Picking up where book 1 left off Jay is self signed in to a psychiatric facility where she is learning to deal



with the tragic events that lead up to her boyfriend's death.

After being attacked and viciously raped by a coach at her high school, Jay must cope with not only the horrific death of her boyfriend but her dark secrets she swore to keep bound inside. Everyone now knows what happened to her and what she did to end it all. How...how does one recover?

*'Anger rises within me. I can't control it, and I want to hurt anyone and everyone around me. I want to make them hurt like I hurt. This is why I stay away from people; I am physically unable to restrain myself. It's eating me alive, and I can do nothing to stop it.'* ~ Internal monologue of Jay

*'The deconstruction of me is painful, but there are reasons why I can't finish what I started.'* ~Jay

*"It takes time, and thank goodness you have it, Jay. You're lucky for that. Every day is a new start and a new beginning. Always remember to treat it like a gift."* ~Dr. Raines

*"Jay," he says, interrupting me and shaking his head, "it is more than that. I want to make sure that that sassy girl that acts like she's not listening to every word spoken during each session finds a reason to live. I want to know that she looks at life and sees an endless road of journeys and adventures instead of roadblocks and dead ends."* ~Dr. Gale

*"Live, Jay. Live every day like it's your last. Treasure the moments you have, and make sure you make them count."* ~Dr. Raines

## **After recovery comes L O V E**

*~ Dear Journal ~ One makes me laugh... One makes me cry... One touches my heart... One owns it ~Jay*

*"..Damn you! I tried to give you up, but I'm fucking addicted like a cracked out junky."* ~Rhye to Jay

*"..I want to live my life showing you the things to live for and the things you can't live without because I already know that I can't live without you. I've tried, and it sucks."* ~Kane to Jay

## **Who will she choose?**

### My thoughts

This book kept me on the edge of my seat on an emotional roller coaster up til the very last page. I highly recommend it!

### My Ratings

Characters- Lovable

Writing Style- Solid

Plot/Storyline- Intense and Highly emotional  
Steam Factor- Medium/Moderately Steamy  
Overall- I loved it!!!! READ IT!!

**Now go forth and read. Then come tell us about it on Goodreads!**

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## **Farah \*Professor Dean's Beauty\* says**

4 Soul touching Stars!

This book picks up from 'Ruining me' and holy hell... What an emotional journey....

Jay has survived her attempted suicide and is in rehab. The Pain consumes her... Eats her..

She wants to die..

Her dreams destroy her..

**I thought losing me would be the worst pain that I could ever feel, but I was wrong. Losing someone I love is ten times that pain. Causing that loss... unimaginable. Causing pain... unbearable. I'm here. I eat. I sleep. I walk. Life goes on... for me.**

She is scared to go home.. To face everyone.. Her friends.. Family.. JT's mom...

And mostly Kane...

**After 3 months she doesn't feel any better...**

Then she meets Eli...

Together they help each other heal...Eli is sweet, funny, supportive...

He helps her deal with the pain, grief.... He becomes her best friend.

Once she returns home, everything is familiar but soo different.. A world without JT is an empty world for Jay...

Kane told her his moving on, this breaks her heart more.

Trying to deal with the pain... She goes to Rhye.. Sexy rock star.. Hey who can't like him? He might not be her Mr Right, but he was her Mr Right now!

This book makes you feel what Jay is feeling. We live with her through her emotions to moving on... Finding the hope in her life.. Love...in her life... Happiness in her life...

Kane.... Aah sweet Kane... He loved Jay unconditionally... Hell I Love him!!

Jay and Kane find their way back to each other...

**I've loved you for a while, but I wanted to make sure that you could love yourself first. I need to know that Jay, because otherwise, we never stood a chance. And I want you, love you and now you're mine forever"**

Kane makes Jay want to live... He bring the smile back in her life...

We follow Jay finding the strength within herself for doing what she needs to do to move on...an unexpected twist at the end but a happy ending...

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