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Isaac and Eloise thought that the worst was behind them. At last they can stop sneaking around but at what cost?

Isaac expected to lose his job and Eloise was glad to be free of her overbearing and controlling father. What they didn't know was just how much they would lose and to Isaac it feels like everything.

Life has to go on and Eloise still has to go to University. Can their relationship survive the distance on top of everything else between them, or is it time to admit they made a mistake?

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Taiya says

spoilerish

This book broke my heart at the end. You could sense where things were headed, but you still hoped Issac would get it together. Not only did he not get it together but he made it ten times worse in his treatment of Elle. I just hope their marriage can be salvaged. On to book 3.

Abigail Davies says

This book picks up directly after the first one begins, and I couldn't wait to delve into this and find out more about this couple! The book was fantastic and dealt with some real issues including gambling addiction and also the stresses of a long distance relationship.

My heart broke at the end, and I had to delve into the next one right away!
Loving this series!

London says

Warning:spoilers ahead

I would have rated this book higher if it weren't for just how badly Isaac treated Elle towards the end of the book. I could have dealt with the lying and the gambling but in the end he really didn't give a fuck up about her. He constantly had thoughts about how he gave up everything for her and wondering if she was worth it.

I would have forgiven the horrible behavior and the lying had his behavior been on account of his addiction. Unfortunately, he still had these thoughts when he was sober. He seemed more interested in getting his debt paid off by her father and going back to his old stress free life than redeeming himself over how absolutely horrible he was to his wife.

I love a good angsty story where the hero grovels and redeems himself. Unfortunately, by the end of the book I was no longer interested or believed he was redeemable. He was a pathetic miserable excuse for a man and the heroine who was only 18 was wise beyond her years. She deserved better.

BookLover89 says

This was a DNF for me. I loved the first book in the series and this book was a major let down. Issac was a horrible person in this book. I got to 62% and started debating on if I could finish, so I decided to read some

reviews from this book and the next. Sad to say I decided not to waste anymore time.

From the reviews I read I found out he only gets worse throughout this book and they break up then the next book is them both being horrible 4 years in the future after they haven't spoken to each other in 4 years. and they finally get a HEA at the very end of the last book with a sweet epilogue. I'm all for angst in books but he went from being such a sweet, loving guy to a whiny, cruel & jealous fool.

Sandy says

I was super excited for the release of this book having the first book as part of my favorite books of this year. However I was left bored with the banter of a storyline and found the path of the characters predictable and too immature for my liking. No spoiler here....but nothing happened in this book for me. I am hopeful the author takes her time with the next book, though I am not sure I would be back to read.

Laurie says

Beautifully written 10+Stars.

I won't give spoilers but wow, I related so much with Elle & Issac, I cried, laughed and loved right along with them.

MUST READ

A.E. Murphy says

It's been a long but wonderful few months guys and I just want to let you all know how grateful I am for your patience.

I've worked my butt off every single spare second to get Destruction finished on time and woohoo, I totally did it, a whole day before release date. Hehe.

I really hope you enjoy Destruction as much as Distraction if not more.

I promise you that I will get the final installment out as soon as I can but as a bonus,

Distraction is totally FREE for the next 5 days so please tell your friends <3 (17th until 21st September 2015) and I've put all of my books onto KU (Kindle Unlimited), not including Connected as that book is ineligible to join Kindle Select.

As always, drop me a line, I love to hear from you.

Much love guys <3

P.S. Please if you get a moment, like my page on Facebook so you don't miss out on future giveaways and updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/a.e.murphy.a...>

P.P.S.S. Here is the link to Destruction (The Distraction Trilogy #2) EEK! :D

Megpie says

*****SPOILERS*****

Oh the heartbreak!

And the cliffhanger!

-sniffles-

This novel is perfectly titled. . . DESTRUCTION!

Book two of Isaac and Elle's story ripped my heart out!

It picks up right where book one left off, with Isaac proposing to Elle and then eloping in Paris. Now they are back in the real world except now they are married and everything has changed. And they quickly realize how hard life is going to be and the challenges they have to deal with, especially when their friends, family, and the entire world is upset about their relationship.

When they get back Isaac has already purchased them a home, a fixer-upper, so that Elle can fix it how she likes. Isaac is jobless (since he quit teaching due to him and Elle coming out as a couple) and has to resort to working for Elle's evil father. And Elle only gets to spend a week or so in her new home with her new husband before she has to leave for college- far away. Isaac has to stay in their hometown to help take care of his mother.

Their plan? Having a long distance relationship of course. Isaac is going to work, fix the house, play Susie homemaker, deal with everyone in the town calling him a pervert and saying awful crap about him and Elle because he married his student, and has all the stress and responsibilities on his shoulders while Elle goes off to college and lives a totally separate life, with rare visits every few months.

Yeahhhhh. . . like that's going to work.

AHHHHHH! Isaac and Elle BOTH drove me crazy! Seriously. He was a good husband. . . until shit got hard. And Elle was a good wife. . . until she wasn't. Wait. . . was she EVER??

First off, Elle is too immature to be a wife. Isaac had to deal with the reality of their situation while she lived it up at college. Not that she was out parting all the time and stuff, but just that she didn't have to worry about bills and a house crumbling around her. And why Isaac is getting verbally abused by Elle's father, working overtime at a job he hates, Elle is only worried about why Isaac isn't comfortable with her partying.

I honestly didn't blame Isaac for turning to alcohol and eventually gambling. He had to deal with a lot of shit why constantly stressed over whether his wife is in danger or drunk at a party surrounded by horny young guys. Not to mention he has to slowly watch his mother's mind disappear and her slowly die.

Elle even has the audacity to say she feels smothered by Isaac. . . though they NEVER see each other. She

wants to go out and party and live like a college kid, she doesn't want to check-in with Isaac and miss out on things. And as she continues to work, go to school, and miss out on parting with her friends. . . she starts to resent Isaac. And Isaac is working his ass off and suffering and it's ALL for Elle and his wife isn't even around. . . they barely see each other and only share a few calls and texts half the time.

As they drift further apart, stress and depression sink into Isaac, Elle continues to separate her two lives all the while resentment slowly creeps in, and outside people try to tear them apart, their marriage starts to slowly deteriorate.

But I will give points to Elle. She tried to fight for their marriage, especially towards the end. She tried to get Isaac to open up. She trusted him and she didn't even know how bad it got back home. She just didn't try hard enough. She tried to help Isaac but with her living far away living her life at college, there was only so much she could do. And with all the evidence against him, she could only believe what she had in front of her.

Then that ending. When Isaac can't take no more and Elle FINALLY realizes shit isn't rosy back home and her husband -gasp- needs his wife! But it's too late. . .

Their love can't even fix it.

-sniffles-

Damn you Elle.

And Damn you even more Isaac for doing what you did and not confiding in your wife!

I personally found fault in both Elle and Isaac. One minute I'm angry at Isaac and I'm all Team Elle, then I'm pissed and frustrated with Elle and I'm all Team Isaac. . . they both just drove me crazy!

But the story was told wonderfully! And the writing was fantastic as always. This is a fantastic series and is definitely on my top shelf. Now I'm dying to get into book three because right now my heart hurts and I NEED more Isaac and Elle. . . . NEED. IT.

Highly recommend! (But read book one first!)

5 STARS

Gicela Longo says

Upon completing the book, I wasn't sure if I liked the direction Elle and Isac's relationship took. Don't get me wrong, the storyline was captivating and held my interest in its entirety, but i just wasn't certain if I wanted to continue following their story inn a third novel. Nevertheless, after much thought and reflection, I think the

chain of events completely complied with Elle's and Isac's choices. The age difference, the abrupt marriage, and the family's opposition to the relationship/marriage, together, were perfect contributors to disaster- a disaster I'm anxious to see remediated. So many scenarios come to mind on how the relationship can be repaired, but I'm sure none will compare to Ms. Murphy's creative and brilliant conclusion to this trilogy. Anxiously awaiting for Part III!

Laura says

3.5 Stars

Eloise is now at Cambridge and Isaac no longer has his teaching job. He takes a job working for Eloise's father so he can keep up the mortgage payments on the run down house he has bought for him and Eloise. I found the first half of the book a bit slow and of course Isaac and Eloise are apart although they still manage to see each other every few weeks but the book picks up in the second half.

Isaac is struggling. He's struggling with money, he's struggling with his jealousy over Eloise's other life at University and his mother continues to go downhill with alzheimers. As time goes on, Isaac and Eloise are arguing more and more but although Eloise is only 18, it's actually her who is the mature one in the relationship. Isaac mentions a few times how much he has given up to be with Eloise and of course he is right but his immaturity shows a lot and it's Eloise who seems to fight for the relationship. They go through a lot and the outcome is not great.

The concluding book, Distinction, should release in February 2016. The author posted a teaser on her Facebook page which now has me looking forward to what happens seeing as the teaser takes place 4 years later. As usual, the author writes in a realistic way which makes Isaac and Eloise's story feel very real.

ShontyNZ says

no spoilers here

I loved it can't wait for the next installment

Rasha Hanna says

Oh no

Please release the next book now. I am dying here. I cannot wait till the next book comes out. I had a feeling of what was going to happen and my heart went out to both Isaac and Elle. We will just have to wait.

Elizabeth Butts says

A.E. Murphy has an amazing ability to create characters that you care about, love and want to throttle all at

the same time. With Destruction she has taken the characters from Distraction and removed them from their 'safe' bubble and introduced them to the real world. A wonderful yet sometimes heartbreaking read.

MichellemyBelle says

Train wreck type of love story I can't get enough of.

They are flawed, oh so flawed. This author creates these incomplete, weakened, cracked characters and lays them out one by one for all the world to see - exposing their vices leaving us to breathe with them, lose with them, cry and scream with them because their choices consequences and everything in between are familiar whispers of our own past admitted and unadmitted flaws. This second book in the Distraction Trilogy comes with the heartbreaking intensity we all have come to love and expect from A.E. Murphy. I was not ready for Elle and Isaac's story to end, I knew there was so much more to come. And boy, was there more. I want a HAE, but not yet! This is the train wreck type of love story I seem to can't get enough of. 5 STARS and I can't wait for #3

Kristy Odom says

Wow! This book was hard on the emotions. We have Isaac is falling apart with Elle at school, and his pride is making it worse. Elle's Dad is trying to come between them. With Isaac finally surrendering to the pressure her dad is putting on him. I can't wait to see how it ends!
