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My name is Howie. I was named after my father Howard, but it became too confusing to have two Howards, so I became Howie. I am 27 years old and I work as a night's manager in a supermarket. I will tell you what happened.

On Friday the world fell apart. A zombie infestation has ravaged Europe. Howie was at home and quickly had to learn to fight and survive as he battles through hordes of undead, desperately trying to reach his family.

Now it's Saturday and Howie has to go back to his town. More adventures await him. A Zombie stripper. A Psychotic club owner and a chance encounter with an old work mate who changes everything...The Undead Day Two.

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John says

I gave the first book three stars even though I was highly critical of it because I saw potential there and wanted to wait before passing judgment. However this second "book" confirmed my initial thoughts. I thought having each book take place during a single day and selling it for 99 cents was a clever gimmick and a good marketing strategy but it's becoming obvious that it's also a crutch to cover up for weak writing.

The serialized format has encouraged and allowed the author to get away with weak plotting. It's basically just one generic action scene after another. Just like the first one the length is really short and yet it still feels incredibly padded. 10-20 pages could have easily been trimmed.

Maybe the author is taking us on a journey that will eventually have twists and turns or finally include some interesting characters or situations but I'm not going to read 15 crappy books just to get to something interesting. I've said it before, this would work better as a graphic novel. Comics, graphics novels, or even bad TV shows and movies can get away with being just a bunch of action scenes strung together but I expect more for my time when investing in a book or a series or books.

This series is just not my cup of tea.

Catherine says

I absolutely loved the second instalment of The Undead. This episode see Howie and Dave appropriating a Saxon military vehicle from the army base in Salisbury and picking up a number of army recruits who were waiting to receive basic training when the infection took hold. The story culminates in arriving at Canary Wharf to rescue Howie's sister.

Throughout the narrative we get 3 perspectives; the main storyline follows Howie, Dave & the troupes. Small side stories give Sarah's perspective on the night the infection landed in London, and the following few days. And finally, we get occasional exposition from the infection itself, as it looks through the eyes of the undead.

In part 1, I loved that the undead changed at night to be wilder, faster and more aggressive. In this episode, we see the infection is able to learn, to utilise the undead as remote operatives, and to seek revenge. That idea of seeking out Howie, of all the people in the whole world, to be a target is a little silly. But I'm willing to overlook this because it's a ripping story.

James McCallister says

The quality continues. Pretty excited to see there are several books in this series. Mister Howie is somebody we all know. The quiet unassuming person that seems always to be able to straighten problems from big to small. He is that guy. I have finished several series and although in a different vein it is similar to Arisen. Not too much military but enough to make it interesting.

Mehsi says

The second book in this series, Day Two in the new world filled with death, living dead, and more horrors (because zombies aren't the only worry at this moment).

Again the writing was choppy/off. There were some errors, but it also didn't read comfortably.

But still I read on, as I wanted to know what would happen to Howie. In the last book he was searching for his parents and we left him near his family. But this book has so much more than just Howie and his quest for his parents. On his way towards them he meets people, helps out people, and he also finds an undead stripper (yes, I kid you not), and her boyfriend.

I have to say I absolutely hated those stripper/boyfriend parts. I was disgusted by the fact someone would tie up a zombie (since I am guessing she didn't just get tied up while alive), but then to also just sit there and be psychotic about everything when someone walks in. Urgh. I was glad when that part was over and Howie was on his way again. I really struggled reading the parts, I thought it would never end.

I loved that Howie tried helping out people. Even though it may have costed him his life, he still wanted to try. Not many people would do the same in an apocalypse. Many would just save their own asses and try to get away in any way possible.

I am curious about the message on the radio, and if Howie will get there eventually, or if he will group up with Dave and go another direction (since Howie is still searching for his parents).

Dave seems pretty awesome though, I do hope he is friendly, or that he, like so many before him, have gone bonkers due to what is happening.

There are still a lot of questions I have, like how the apocalypse started. Or what the military is up to. Or why the zombies are fast one moment, and slow the next.

I will keep on reading, I am not sure for how long though. I am just not sure if I want to keep reading about each day individually, I would rather have it speed up.

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B.J. Hyman says

More fun! Short, quick read that is like an episode of a favorite tv show.

Elli Lewis says

If zombie post apocalyptic fiction can be easy reading then this is it. It's the characters that really make this book. They are believable (I think I went to uni with some of them), likeable and funny. Off to read the next

one

Adrian says

(Day 2 of 3 from the “Part 1” audiobook)

3.2 stars

After trolling around a bit and making his way back and forth across England, Howie heads back to the supermarket to find Dave still alive and is a killing machine. This makes the book get better (as others have mentioned in the reviews and comments).

Audiobook narrator Dan Morgan rating: 3 stars

The narrator is ok. I wish Dave’s voice was a little different.

Mike Mims says

The story just keeps getting better and better. The characters are so likable it really hurts when one is lost. Will be going to the next book ASAP.

Freedom says

I am seriously hooked! Now I am used to the gore and the genre in general I have fallen in love with Howie's plight. The relatable references, the way Howie reacts just makes me love it all the more. I just adore Dave, his direct, clinical way just makes me want to learn more about him! Big thank you to Claire for introducing me to such a great tale...roll on day 3, I cannot wait to continue on the journey and meet more survivors of the Undead!

BooktuberViv says

this series is amazing so far. its like shaun of the dead but funnier and more gory.

France says

ok this one was amazing and I love Dave... I'm addicted

Scott Foster says

I really like the serial format. Definitely a nice twist on the zombie genre. The main characters are developed well as are the minor characters. We're given just enough info on the secondary characters.

Def worth a read if you're a fan of the zombie genre. Can see this being a really good movie.

Randy Harmelink says

Another fun day in the life of Howie. I gave "Day One" 3 stars, but liked this continuation better. Loved the addition of Dave, and hope to see more of him. Some of the action in this one is just outrageous. I would love to see a movie made out of it -- I was imagining some of the fight scenes from the movie The Book of Eli as I was reading.

Amy says

4 stars

Excellent continuation. This part gets much darker and more gruesome. The main character has devolved massively and is going through some very dark emotions. As this is only day two I can't wait to see where his character goes next. It again made me question what I would do in this situation, how I would react and what my plan would be. I loved it. Day three here I come.

Hayat says

4 solid stars!

If you like your Zombie stories short but full of action, gore and uncomplicated plot with some humour and limited first person POV, then this book is for you.

The Undead Day Two picks up where the first book ended. It's Saturday, day two of the zombie apocalypse which ravaged both East and Western Europe and the result is a complete destruction of modern life, civilization and death in a matter of 24 hours.

'There are survivors, you are not alone. Do not come to London, We are completely infested. I repeat, DO NOT COME TO LONDON. If you are in the south then we advise you to head to the Victorian Forts on the south coast. Take whatever supplies you can carry: water, food, medicine and clothing. Stay out of the cities and towns. Head to the Forts on the coast.'

After sleeping at his parents house, Howie wakes up to a new world full of questions, fear, monsters and death. A world marked by survival of the fittest and there is nothing criminal about breaking and entering, stealing cars and other useful things all in the name of survival.

'Some bastard has taken the Micra. Fucking apocalypse is here and some shit steals the crappiest car possible...The fact that it isn't actually my Micra is not relevant, whoever stole it doesn't know I stole it first'

This new world has no rules or moral code. A harsh new world in which you are more likely to encounter

psychotic living humans who want to play with you as well as the dead ones who want to eat you and you'll have to be stronger, better and faster than them to survive.

In this book, Howie makes a decision to go back to the place he barely escaped from the previous day, **battle a horde of undead in the hopes of finding his parents**. His mad dash to town sets off a mad and sometimes surreal chain of events and hilarious moments which leads to the introduction of **a new and mysterious character called Dave, a trained killer with autism and OCD for neatness**.

Howie is also starting to learn that the undead change at night and become even more deadly.

'With the street lamps illuminating him i see the transformation on his face too. The slack jawed look of sublime stupidity is replaced by something evil and very focused. This is like last night when they were wild and frenzied.'

The Undead Day Two was even better than the first book, there was more action, gore, horror, mystery and thriller in the form of two new character. I liked the fact that Mr Haywood added **a new twist to the zombie myth** by making them menacing, faster and more animalistic at night and docile, shambling traditional zombies in the daylight hours.

This meme captures Howie's expression when confronted by slow zombies in the daylight and fast zombies at night, especially the linebacker sized ones!

There were a few instances where things became disturbing and a bit too real for my liking such as **Howie describing his bodily functions, being fascinated by the undead fake breasts of a stripper and wanting to touch them etc**. I found these scenes off putting and distracting to be honest and, I might be nitpicking but, it affected my enjoyment of the story.

Apart from small instances, I really enjoyed this book and appreciated the authors attention to details such as forcing the characters to be creative and **fight with weapons found at home, in DIY stores and other blunt objects** because guns are NOT easily available in the UK.

I hope The Undead Day Three builds on the success of book two and introduces memorable new characters and even more gory action to keep me at the edge of my seat.
