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“This is all your fault.”

“You worthless piece of shit.”

“I hate you.”

“He left us because of you.

“We live like this because of you. YOU GRACE.”

“You won’t amount to anything, you’re useless.”

“I wish I never had you, I hate you your worthless.”

Those were the words that were told to me so many times as a child that i can onlt think of them as true. I lived by my own rules to protect my heart from more heart brake but that was until he came into my world. Until Samuel Harding

## Unworthy Details

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## **From Reader Review Unworthy for online ebook**

### **The Romance Book Disciple (Samantha) says**

This is difficult for me to rate. The beginning of the book was 2 stars for me. I just didn't like either of the characters. I mean, Samuel actually says to her "How much for the entire night" like the 2nd or 3rd time he meets her. Its obvious that she is a seriously damaged (emotionally) girl and he says something like that!?!? WTF! Then the book gets a bit like 2 weeks notice (that Sandra Bullock/Hugh Grant movie). She is his assistant who spends so much time with him they live together and slowly fall in love. However, Grace never brings up any of the issues from her past. Its just kind of odd that they get so close to each other, feel that they love each other, but are both aware of the huge elephant in the room that no one talks about. I normally like dual POV but I kind of found Samuels POV to be uninspired and vapid.

However, I stuck with the book because I wanted to see how this whole thing would play out. I'm glad I did because once the book started to get into the real nitty gritty of the problems it got better. I thought that it was more real than the rest of the book although I still found Samuel to be difficult to connect with. I was glad to have an epilogue as well to see into the future of their lives.

But, I am still a little weirded out because they are cousins. He married and had kids with his cousin. I kind of saw where the book was going and had a feeling that she was the uncle's lost daughter, but their relation never became a discussion between Grace and Samuel. It was just weird for me. It can't just be me that finds that weird right? I mean, they didn't even address it!

So, for the first 1/2 of the book I was at 2 stars.

The last 1/2 of the book was 4 stars for me.

My overall rating is 3 stars!

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### **Books Laid Bare says**

Oh lord this is this book needs very little said about it other than the fact that it is a stunningly beautiful story.

I wasn't sure what I was going to get at first, this was a new author to me but I have to say I was stunned into silence with the quality of the work that was laid before me and the depth of emotion that the story managed to engage from me.

I found myself feeling a huge sense of empathy with Grace.

She had a past that made me feel very sad for what she had been through, she deserved better, she suffered as a child and it clouded the impression that she not only had of herself but it also tainted how she perceived others saw her.

I applauded the fact that she fought hard to be more than she had always been and so much more than others had expected from her, because she was worth more than any of them!

Her life was what she had made it but when Samuel came into the picture, my heart soared for her. Finally someone who could see her for the glorious woman that she was.

He really was a beautifully caring man. He saw Grace for the real woman beneath the surface, the woman that her heart proved she was...Special!

He was as special as she was and he brought the family she had always deserved into her life. He gave her all life that together they could both revel in, grow into.

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## **Laura Smith says**

Elaine May is a new author to me and the blurb on the book had me intrigued. WOW! what a powerful rollercoaster of a journey I found myself on. I cannot fault any part of the story. The story was written well and with so much passion, my heart would ache at parts.

Follow the story of Grace as she tries to overcome the past and hateful words of her mother. And then comes along Samuel. Samuel is the guy that will do anything to protect Grace. When her past comes back to haunt her, secrets are revealed that could finally change the future for Grace and give her one that she has always wanted and deserves.

A well written story that will pull at your heart. A definite must read.

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## **Bloggers From Down Under says**

\* Provided on behalf of the author for an honest review \*\*

Your worthless.  
You'll amount to nothing.  
Everybody hates you.  
You are nothing.  
You are disgusting.  
Look at you, you are pathetic.

You hear this often enough, you start believing it right?

It splinters you.  
It shatters you.  
It breaks you.  
Everything they say you believe because it's all they ever say to you.

But what's worse.....It's said to you by the very person that is supposed to nurture you, love you, take care of you and love you unconditionally.

Your mother.

This is Grace's life.

A life spent alone.  
A life spent in solitude.  
Grace has nobody.  
No friends.  
No family.

She's forever alone.

All she has is her work. A job she works hard at to prove that she is a good person. That she is worthy.

But everything will change for Grace when she meets him.

His name.....Samuel.

Unworthy is one of the best reads we have had the privilege of reading to date.

It's raw, it's confronting, it's heartbreaking, it's breathtaking. The emotions that this novel was able to evoke in us left us in all honesty speechless. From the very first sentence right until the very end we couldn't put it down. We were taken on Grace's journey. A journey of pain and hurt. A journey of loneliness and solitude. A journey of hope. A journey of love.

We absolutely fell in love with both Grace and Samuel. And we are most definitely sure that anyone who picks up Unworthy will feel the same way. It's a novel that should definitely be read by everyone.

To Elaine May. Thank you so very much for sharing Unworthy with us. We absolutely loved it. You took us there with each of the characters feeling their struggles, their pain and hurt. It was as though we were right there standing beside them. Just simply a spectacular read.

We highly recommend Unworthy to be on everyone's TBR list.

A HUGE 5 star read

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## **Wendy Wright says**

Reviewed by Wendy for YOUR NEXT HOT READ 5 star read

Unworthy by Elaine May

This book is an incredibly good read, I couldn't put it down

Grace Ford grew up with the verbal abuse and neglect from her mother,

She was told on a daily basis that she was worthless fat and ugly, it was her fault her father left them all alone,

Being known has the towns where Grace learnt to blend into the background so she wouldn't ever be noticed,

All Grace every wanted was to prove to her mother that she was worthy, from leaving school Grace moved to London, living in a bedsit working 2 jobs saving every penny she could to buy herself a home,

Still blending into the background Grace didn't have any friends and kept herself away from any men, she had a plan and she was going to make sure she stayed with the plan, she didn't need any friends or boyfriends, they would all hate her in the end just like her mother did,

Grace worked as a bar maid in a night club and was an intern at a company Harding Inc, she done all the jobs no one wanted to do, she didn't mind as it made her know a lot more about the business which was a good thing for her, it helped her learn a lot more about the company,

Samuel Harding was the eligible bachelor, the young good looking alpha male, he was being groomed to take over the Harding's company from his father and uncle, and he'd been sent from New York to London to find out why the money the company was making was not being invested in new hotels, and spa's

Samuel noticed that Grace worked all hours and done her fair share of everyone else's job and so he had a

proposition for her ,

With love, lust, loathing and a lifetime of being told you are

unworthy what will happen in Graces life ? Will she learn to love and get over her fears? Will Samuel be able to help grace ? Help her grow strong ?

The answer is in this book I guaranty you will love this book, I was so draw into it I couldn't put it down,  
Rated 5 super stars

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### **Michelle Rene says**

I'm not sure how Elaine May takes such dark topics and turns them into amazing stories but she does.

Unworthy is a well written story of young woman who has been bullied and beaten down but is determined to rise above her circumstances.

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### **Jane Warden says**

This is an incredible book. The suspense is amazing, and there are scenes that had me in bits. I won't say which one (spoilers) but one in particular was one of the most tense, incredible, edge-of-my-seat writing I've ever read.

I fell in love with the characters, and the emotions and psychology as well as the suspense kept me reading until gone midnight, desperate to know what would happen next and what heartbreaking truth would be revealed!

Thank you Elaine May for another amazing read xxx

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### **A Book Lover's Emporium Book Blog says**

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I must admit that I struggled with this book. The writting seemed unnecessarily repetitive. I powered through and at about 60% in, the story managed to, somewhat, redeem itself. In my humble opinion it could do with a bit of an edit... But, I am NOT a writer.

The story has a good plot. That being said, I did predict the events from the beginning.

The last 3 chapters were very sweet and melted my cold heart.

I think that a few "he's and she's" here and there, rather than Samual said, Samual did, Samual wanted would be great. It could do without the childhood events being rehashed too many times. We 'lived through it' so retelling it seems like its just filling out pages...

To be fair, the story is one that people could enjoy.

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### **Katelyn says**

3.75 STARS

Unworthy by Elaine May is a heart wrenching story of a young woman named Grace. She has been through hell and back in her life and see's herself just as the people who treated her unfairly. Unworthy. Worthless. A "girl" who will never amount to anything. This broke my heart and shattered it into a million pieces. Elaine May did a wonderful job making you feel Grace's feelings.

Samuel was in interesting character for me. He is a man of many means and knows exactly what he wants. Even when coming off arrogant, you love him. I did have a hard time connecting with him on the level that he seemed to move too fast for me. Everything was so instantaneous for him and his love for Grace and for some reason I had a hard time believing it. I felt that the beginning of the book was building up to this huge ending, and then in the last half it all moved so quickly I almost couldn't keep up.

With that said, the emotion of this novel is REAL and RAW. You feel her pain and you just want to rescue her. It had an interesting turn that leaves you flabbergasted. The epilogue made my heart happy and it soared through the clouds. Elaine May is an author that has amazing potential and I am looking forward to reading more of her work.

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### **Christy McCurry says**

Yes!!! This is a remarkable read. I struggled with my rating I loved the book, but the first 60 percent seemed to move very slowly for me, but once they got to the U.S. Things seemed to pick up. The last 40 percent is amazing and makes up for the first half.

Grace has had a hard life. A life no one should have to suffer from. I loved Samuel !!! I loved everything about him. He is understanding, patient, loving, caring, and sexy. The connection these two have is unmistakable. It's there and it's strong.

Over all this was a great read..

Christy  
Radical Reads Book Blog

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### **reading the sheets says**

Ive read elaines other books and enjoyed them this is her newest release and doesnt disappoint. This is the story of a broken young woman carrying the scars and heartache of an abusive childhood that goes on to affect her into adulthood. Grace doesnt think shes worthy of love, shes damaged, has low self worth and concentrates on her work life rather than a love life...till Samuel steps into the bar she works at. Samuel feels the spark when they meet he wants to get to know her, and Grace feels it too but is determined to stay behind her wall shes built up over the year. Samuel, however has a plan he asks for her help at work which brings them together, working closely spending time together they fall in love but damaged as she is can Grace let Samuel in, having never told him about her past if she does how will he re act?? Will Grace finally find love?

An emotional read this grabs you from the start its by no means an easy read at times its upsetting and heartbreaking in places and you feel her pain, but whats inspiring about Grace is she wants to go on with her life and make something of it. Samuel is to die for...hes sexy kind caring attentive everything she could ask for in a man. Download this book and find out if he can indeed break through Grace's steel wall and find a

happy ever after.

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### **Nikki ? Navareus says**

[Also, it was so unrealistic that Grace's uber-rich father couldn't find her at all over the

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### **Janie says**

WOW!!!

I absolutely loved this book, it was wonderfully written and at times had me on the edge of my seat and on the verge of tears, there were a few twists but also in places it was obvious what was coming next but that didn't detract from the book at all. I fell in love with the characters and you are drawn into this story from the start to the finish.

This is the first book I have read by this author and I can't wait to read more by her. I read this book in about 2 hours as I just couldn't put it.

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### **The Magic of Books Blog says**

REVIEWER: DAWN

Grace hasn't had the easiest of starts in life, abused as a child she has no confidence in herself, full of self-doubts and recriminations she gets through life as best she can. Grace has two jobs one as an intern and also works tending bar at an exclusive club. This is where she first sets eyes on the gorgeous Samuel Harding. As soon their eyes meet there is a spark, a chemistry, he wants her but Grace's views of herself always stop her thinking any man would want her so the barriers come up. Samuel is determined to bring those barriers down, he asks her to help him out with something at work and as they spend time together, get to know each other, they slowly start to fall for each other, but can Grace get over the heartache of her past and face a new future with Samuel? Will she ever let him in enough to reveal the horrors of her early life? This book is emotional, raw and gritty, its heart-breaking at times to read all Grace endured in her life at the hands of the one person who is supposed to love you the most. Its told in dual pov which I always love as its great to get both sides of the story. The characters were easy to connect with Grace you couldn't help but love her character after all the abuse she still wanted to move on and build herself a happy life. Samuel...I loved him he was smart, kind and caring and wanted to be there for Grace, wanting to make her feel she was worthy of love. There is also an element of suspense running through the book that keeps you turning the pages and interested till the very end. This is the first book I have read by Elaine but wont be the last!!

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### **Lynn Smith says**

After having a terrible childhood. Grace is determined to be on her own. No friends, no boyfriend. If you have nobody you can't get hurt. She has a plan, work as much as she can, save her money and buy a house. So she will always have a home. Until Samuel walks into her life. No matter how she feels when she looks at



him or the electricity between them when they happen to touch. She is going to keep her distance. Samuel, a billionaire and somewhat playboy is sued to getting what he wants and he wants Grace in his bed. The more time he spends with her the more he wants from her. He goes from wanting a quick romp in the bed to wanting everything with her. She is a tough case, the only woman that hasn't wanted anything from him and one that has no problem walking away.

I was slow warming up to Grace. It takes awhile for her story to come out. You get bits and pieces of her story. Once the story picks up I realized she was a strong person to an extent. She wanted to prove the people in her past wrong. She was somebody and she could make something of her life. Samuel was arrogant, but yet still a great guy. As he got to know Grace and saw the pain and suffering in her eyes. He became determined to make her feel better about herself. He never rushes her. He makes her take small steps out of her comfort zone. Each time he does she opens up a little more.

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