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Description

It starts with a trip to a local amusement park. David Harwood is hoping a carefree day at Five Mountains will help dispel his wife Jan's recent depression, black moods that have led to frightening thoughts of suicide. Instead, a day of fun with their four-year-old son Ethan turns into a nightmare.

Insightful reviews

Michael: I will admit that I am overly picky on mystery\thriller books. The genre is my favorite, thus I expect the story to be captivating, fast paced and has a way of making memorable characters. There are a few exceptions to this rule but not many. All that to say that this book had weak writing, forgettable characters from the beginning of the story. I literally forgot what the story was about after reading the first page, it was that bad.

I should really trust my instincts but I always TRY to give a book a chance.

Laughable, trite and boring!

NEXT!

Arah-Lynda: Things are not so good these days for David Harwood.

He cannot seem to nail down a solid lead on a corrupt, privately operated, for-profit prison story that he has been chasing for his local paper in Promise Falls, New York.

His wife Jan has recently been struggling with seriously, severe bouts of depression and has admitted to David that she has even considered suicide.

They definitely could use a break, so spending the day with their four year old son Ethan at a local amusement park, taking time to relax and focus on the good stuff, while enjoying a day of fun and frolic seems to be just the ticket.

They have barely made it through the gates though, when things really begin to spin out of control, starting with the disappearance of their son. David and Jan separate, each of them frantically looking for Ethan, who they had taken their eyes off of for only a split second. Thank God, David soon finds him, unharmed and still asleep in his stroller. As soon as he is certain that Ethan is okay he begins to backtrack to find Jan and let her know.....except Jan is not answering her cell and after much searching, waiting, and calling her repeatedly, it begins to dawn on David that she has simply disappeared, vanished into thin air!

Let me tell you, I have barely scratched the surface of all the twists, turns and sub-plots in this story of murder and deceit, corruption and betrayal; that simply roars out of the station at break neck speed and never loses pace, hurtling faster, forward to it's mind-numbing conclusion.

This is the second book I have read of Linwood Barclay's and it blew me away! He is absolutely brilliant at writing what I would call, domestic thrillers, with a genuinely, believable cast of

characters and unnerving,relatable circumstances that keep you on the edge of your seat.

No doubt about it, I am definitley looking for another Linwood Barclay novel.

Mike: Do you have a weak heart? Troubled with high blood pressure? Then DO NOT READ THIS BOOK!! It is much too exciting for you. Even a single reading may cause serious cardiac damage or heart attack.

WOW!! What a thriller! The last 50 pages were electric! Mix in elements of local corrupt politics, suicidal tendencies, secret identities, robbery, kidnapping, murder and double cross and you have this roller coaster ride called "Never Look Away." This was my first time with this author, but man, it won't be my last. He knows how to write.

Don't miss this one!

Angela: First of 2 blood brother reads in August.I didn't relatively get pleasure from by no means glance Away. It had a really gradual start, acquired larger within the middle, saved dragging on in the direction of the end. many years ago, I went via a section of purely ever interpreting crime fiction, so I've pretty well learn all of it before. Linwood Barclay didn't fairly carry whatever to the desk here. each flip of occasions (and think me, there are various turns during this novel) was once mildly interesting, not anything more. No surprising revelations, no notable plot twists. in the direction of the end, I felt like Barclay used to be facing each attainable idea, simply to continue the tale going. The writing was once alright, yet clumsy at times.2.5 out of five stars from me, simply because I did get pleasure from interpreting the center part.

Denise: Do you actually comprehend those you love?, February 13, 2010 i've got learn all of Linwood Barclay's back-list and that i needs to say that this one is best than the final and i am relieved that he is pulled again a bit with the unimaginable endings and back to writing a taut secret mystery that's either fast-paced and suspenseful. i discovered either worry the Worst: A mystery and Too just about Home: A mystery to be simply means too excessive and am completely happy that Barclay has back to a mode just like the only used with what I deliberate to be my favourite of his novels, No Time for Goodbye. Yeah, all his books require just a little suspension of disbelief on the scenarios, however the major personality -- nearly always a family members guy with a spouse and baby -- can be a sympathetic protagonist and one whom you must see resolve the mystery. during this novel, newspaper reporter David Harwood is investigating what could be corruption with reference to a brand new privatized legal that's being hawked because the subsequent neatest thing for the small city of Promise Falls, New York. he is married to Jan they usually have a four yr previous son named Ethan. One day, whereas they're at an entertainment park, one among them disappears!! David races from position to put to determine what's going and, even though a number of subplots are brewing simultaneously, the power and the narrative maintain the reader glued to the pages. even supposing the reader understands what's occurring and why, it is a enjoyable romp to the end. for those who like a very good secret thriller, you will take pleasure in this one. Recommend.

Marie: In by no means glance Away, David Harwood, a reporter with the Promise Falls

Standard, is operating on an enormous story. His editor retains shutting it down, yet David cannot work out why. All of a sudden, though, David has higher priorities. In the course of a kin outing, there is a mysterious and troubling disappearance. After the police discover facts pointing to David as a suspect within the disappearance, David mounts his personal research to transparently identify and fix his family. This is the 1st booklet I have learned of Barclay's and that I can correctly say it is going to now not be the last. I enjoyed it! The tale used to be sensational, extreme and left me breathless. Simply while I acquired to some degree the place I may positioned the publication down and take a holiday from reading, I would encounter a sentence or that may make that impossible. I needed to learn another chapter...then another. Barclay had me at the fringe of my seat screaming "NO WAY" greater than once. The so much outstanding factor was once that Barclay made all of it look so real, like this would relatively happen. David used to be simply a regular man with a spouse and child. Maybe one in all his articles may possibly land him in a little bit trouble, yet no longer this. So allow me ask you: simply how good have you learnt the folk round you? In the event that your resolution is "pretty well", you are not alone. David most likely notion that very factor while he left at the kinfolk time out that morning. Frightening stuff. Besides the most story, Barclay additionally incorporated info of the newspaper enterprise within the web age and the way the newspapers have been adapting to the altering technology. I had no concept that articles may be (or might be) farmed out abroad. There has been additionally info on privately-owned prisons from a piece of writing that David was once operating on. All quite attention-grabbing stuff. Want to learn different reviews? This is one from Luanne from A Bookworm's World. Highly recommended. I will search out extra books through this author. He is certainly considered one of my new favourites. For additional information approximately this book, please stopover at the Random Residence Canada website. For additional information concerning the author, his different books and different stuff, please stopover at Linwood Barclay's website. I'd wish to thank these great humans at Random Condominium Canada for this assessment copy. Never glance away via Linwood Barclay, Doubleday Canada (Random Apartment of Canada), ©2010. ISBN 9780385668040 (Hardcover), 415p.

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