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Finalist, 2014 Maggie Awards for Excellence Semi-finalist, Kindle Book Review's 2014 Best Kindle Book Awards "Redemption knocks it out of the PARK!!! This is the novel I was waiting for!!! I bugged, harassed (in the most loving way), prodded, messaged, emailed and generally made a pest of myself for MONTHS until Dana got this novel done; and get it done she did. WOW I was blown out of the water on this one." - Steph's Book Retreat blog, 5 stars "This series is awesome!!! If this series was ever made into a movie it would put the Godfather to shame! I am always pulled into the lives that Dana creates in her books. Heart beating so fast it is like I am part of the story line!!! If you are looking for fantastic writing style and being pulled into a story this is it!! I VERY HIGHLY RECOMMEND THIS BOOK. I WANT TO GIVE IT MORE THAN 5 STARS." -- Julie's Book Reviews blog, 5 stars "When I compare the quality of the writing, the complexity of the plot and the development of the characters in this series to other books I have awarded 4 or even 4.5 stars to, this one is clearly worthy of a much higher rating than many of them. Not only do I look forward to reading more in the series I am also really excited and can hardly wait." - Lindsay and Jane's Views and Reviews blog, 5 stars ANTONIO LEGATO I've finally earned my place in the Lucchesi family. Me, the orphan, the outsider, the blond-haired, blue-eyed boy who doesn't really belong. I've fought hard to get where I am, and I love Enrico Lucchesi like a father. I would never betray him. But when the girl who broke me, Bianca Lucchesi, comes back into my life, my traitorous heart has other ideas. Dangerous ideas. Ideas that could tear the Lucchesi family apart. Especially if Bianca ever learns the role I played in her father's death. BIANCA LUCCHESI I'm too young to have this many regrets. Years ago, I ripped out the heart of the boy I loved, all so I could keep an awful secret that's tearing me apart, day by day. I've lied to everyone. Most of all, to myself. And I want to stop. But I can't. My brother knows what I've done, and he's holding it over my head. He wants me to help him destroy Antonio Legato, the usurper who's taken my brother's rightful place in the family. I don't want to hurt Antonio again. I don't. But I'm going to. And he can never learn why. ***** CONTENT WARNING: Redemption is a dark Mafia romance that contains graphic language, sexual situations, and violence. READING ORDER: Malavita (Prequel) - start with Malavita or Revenge as you prefer Revenge - series volume 2 Retribution - series volume 3 Redemption - series volume 4 Reckoning - series volume 5 ***** Keywords: mafia romance, dark romance, dark mafia romance, romantic suspense, mob romance, mobster romance, organized crime romance, gangster, alpha male, contemporary romance, Italy, Italian, Italian romance, sexy romance, hot romance, romance novels, romance books, romance series, beach reads, bad boy romance, crime romance, mafia don romance, mafioso, secret baby romance

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"In the mood to be charmed? Read this!" -Contemporary Romance with a 'sweet' steam factor.Savannah Bondurant, a marriage and relationship columnist for the Savannah Sun Times, just signed her divorce papers. Brody McAlister, the elusive and smoking hot gym boy, has finally recovered from his divorce three years ago. Be it spurred by loneliness or sheer attraction, the two slip into the sheets for a memorable one-night stand. Savannah's pesky ex-husband continues to try and worm his way back into her life, insisting they remain friends, even though he is living with his jealous new girlfriend. An up-and-coming woodworker artist, Brody has every socialite cougar in town promising him success and riches, for a price, of course. With two advice-giving older sisters, one fiercely single and one seemingly happily married, Savannah learns her parents' long and successful relationship does not come without its own secrets. Why should she believe in happily ever after? Divorce, guilt, suspicion, holding on to the past—can Savannah trust in Brody to help her Let It Go...

Termination Day Createspace Independent Pub

Charlize 'Charlie' McCloud, young widow and mother, is seemingly content with her secluded life on a sprawling Texas ranch. Her moonlit horseback rides provide the perfect dreamscape to obsessively

reminisce about her college sweetheart-her first and final love-Cash McCloud. When intern Hunter Bowie arrives on her ranch to work for the summer, his engaging persona threatens Charlie's treasured reliving. Her interest in moving on as departed as her late husband, Hunter's youthful exuberance and guitar revives dreams she once laid to rest. Hunter's presence stirs up everyone around the ranch, including her late husband's older brother, Cage McCloud. A near replica of Cash, Cage's very existence is a painstaking reminder of how much she has lost. Unintentionally revealing the truth about Cash's death, Cage sets off a firestorm of emotions, ultimately propelling Charlie to face her future-hopefully one that includes him. Music single to the novel Just Not Ready Yet can be streamed at www.brooklyn-james.com or downloaded from Amazon, iTunes & CDBaby.

Langage des sciences sociales CreateSpace

How do you actually find meaning in the workplace? How do you find work that makes your heart sing, creates impact, and pays your rent? After realizing that his well-paying, prestigious job was actually making him miserable, Adam "Smiley" Poswolsky started asking these big questions. The Quarter-Life Breakthrough provides fresh, honest, counterintuitive, and inspiring career advice for anyone stuck in a quarter-life crisis (or third-life crisis), trying to figure out what to do with your life. Smiley shares the stories of many twenty- and thirty-somethings who are discovering how to work with purpose (and still pay the bills). Brimming with practical exercises and advice, this book is essential reading for millennial career changers and anyone passionate about getting unstuck, pursuing work that matters, and changing the world.

Her Two Men in London CreateSpace

In this sequel to Top 20 and #1 Best Seller "When Lightning Strikes": The year is 1986 and the band InZane is on the brink of big things. Ariana Martineau is about to marry their guitarist and lead singer, Zane Moore. Tall and tan, with a smile that could stop traffic he is every girl's rock n' roll fantasy...right? At least that's what Ariana thought until her mother gives her a mysterious coin on the night before her wedding, assuring her that it is a centuries-old family heirloom once owned by a gypsy who'd found love across time, and if she keeps it with her all night, she will know her heart's true desire. A brisk wind and a bolt of lightning later, Ariana awakens to find herself in Northern France in the year 1487, in the home of Lord Spencer Douglas...the son of a wealthy land baron. In a world where women are treated as no more than chattel, and the mere mention of time travel would get you burned on a stake, Ariana is frightened out of her mind, when she realizes what has happened. And unable to utter a sound because of an injury to her throat during the lightning strike, she must rely on Lord Douglas's care and protection until her voice heals and she can somehow try to find a way back to her own time. Handsome, well-spoken...and engaged to be married in just a few weeks, the last thing Spencer needs or wants is a damsel in distress to look after, challenging his mind and tempting his body at every turn. He's resigned himself to the duties of his position and the quiet predictability of the arranged union his family has chosen for him. But quiet predictability is the last thing his life will soon be, as destiny has other plans in store if the path of fate is not guided in another direction. When Ariana and Spencer find themselves unwilling pawns in a sinister game of evil power and deception, they soon find that with the help of a mysterious Traveler, their very lives...and much more than simple matters of the heart are riding on their decisions. Will those decisions lead them to the love...and the future that awaits in that place and time beneath the Quicksilver Moon?

The Boots My Mother Gave Me Createspace Independent Pub

Keep your friends close, but your enemies closer... The last face a murder victim sees is not always that of a stranger. It is a chilling reality that murder investigator, Detective Emma Cole, knows all too well. Kate Saunders trusts her friends, but that friendship triggers her downward spiral towards death. Friends should stick together, but jealousy and betrayal can fester behind closed doors. Everyone's life is infected, and the killers are masters at disguising the murderous compulsion buried deep within. Three young people are murdered in cold blood, leaving friends and family desperate for answers. Detective Emma Cole has never seen such carnage, and never wants to see it again. The victims' families have been torn apart by violence and betrayal, but ultimately bound by blood, and a burning desire for revenge. David Saunders wants retribution for the murder of his daughter and will stop at nothing to get it. His suspicions run rife and he is hell-bent on revenge.

Tortured by nightmares, he turns to Detective Emma Cole for help. Together, they are determined to expose the twisted truth of what really happened behind closed doors.

The New York Times Index Createspace Independent Pub

On 16 April 1945 the Soviet Army launched the fourth largest offensive of WWII with the goal to capture Berlin in five days. The Soviet assault on Berlin initiated the largest urban combat operation in recorded human history, and provided a glimpse into the savage asymmetrical warfare faced in modern conflicts. The German defence of Seelow Heights and the bloody street fighting in Berlin proved more difficult than the Soviets ever imagined, Over the next seventeen days the Soviet Army suffered higher daily losses in men than at Stalingrad, and average daily losses in tanks and aircraft were higher than at Kursk. Zhukov's operational planning proved incomplete and rushed from the start. He was under extraordinary pressure from Stalin to capture Berlin before the Western Allies, and he also continued to worry about his rival - Koneiv - who was rapidly approaching from the south. Koneiv's independent operation to take Berlin arguably saved Zhukov's offensive, but also initiated fierce instances of fratricide between opposing Soviet Armies in the city's ruins. Bloody Streets covers in unprecedented detail the planning, execution and aftermath of the Soviet assault on Berlin. Using previously unpublished eyewitness accounts and archive material, the book traces the urban fighting in Berlin street-by-street and day-by-day on over 60 period aerial images. In addition, the book is profusely illustrated with over 300 photographs, many never previously published, as well as eight pages of colour illustrating camouflage and markings of the armoured vehicles involved in the fighting.

Unfaithfully Yours and Revenge Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Seventy years ago Joe Rubinstein walked out of a Nazi concentration camp. Until now, his story has been hidden from the world. Shortly before dawn on a frigid morning in Radom, Poland, German soldiers forced twenty-one year-old Icek "Joe" Rubinsztejn onto a crowded, open-air truck. The next day, several around him were dead. From there, things got worse for young Joe--much worse. Joe arrived at Auschwitz on April 30, 1942. Only now, in his nineties, has he revealed how he survived several of the most notorious concentration camps when so many others perished. His is a remarkable narrative--a unique story of endurance and courage. Barefooted when he was seized by the Nazis, Joe became one of New York's leading shoe designers--working with companies whose shoes were sought after by First Ladies and movie stars alike. Joe's story bears witness to the ultimate triumph of the human spirit. While the Nazis took everything else, they were unable to take his unassailable joy. Joe's story is one of discovering light in the darkest of places, an inspiration for us all.

Jason Willow Dana Delamar

Semi-finalist in The Kindle Book Review's 2013 Best Indie Book Awards "The suspense keeps the pages moving quickly in book two of the Blood and Honor series. There are numerous characters, but Delamar does a wonderful job of incorporating them so that readers keep abreast of the story. A fast pace, credible characters and a complex plot guarantee hours of entertainment." -- RT Book Reviews, 4 stars "Retribution was great... oh so damn great. So this is the second book in the Blood and Honor series and I loved it even better than the first one.... Another wonderful story filled with action, love, forgiveness, and some awfully hot steamy scenes! This story was beautifully written and I hope you pick it up and read it!" -- Reading on the Wild Side blog, 4.5 stars "You are kept on the edge of your seat until the very last page, just like at the end of "Revenge", "Retribution" has a teaser for the next novel that makes me excited to read the next novel. If you liked "Revenge" you will love "Retribution"; this is easily a stand alone novel; I'm just glad that there is more to come in this series." -- Steph's Book Retreat blog, 4.5 stars NICK CLARKSTON I joined Interpol to take down the Mafia don father I barely knew. The man who abandoned my mother, the man who destroyed my whole world. He's a clever monster, but he'll never see me coming. Not when I strike a deal with his greatest enemy. The only things I didn't count on? Falling in love with a Mafia princess. And walking into a trap of my own design. DELFINA ANDRETTI My father thinks all I'm good for is marrying me off to forge an alliance with another family. But I have other ideas. I have goals. I have ambitions. And pumping out babies for a man I don't care about isn't on the list. When Nick Clarkston walks into my life, I see my ticket out. And I know what he's hiding. ***** CONTENT WARNING: Retribution is a dark Mafia romance that contains graphic language, sexual situations, and violence. You have been warned. ***** READING ORDER: Malavita (Prequel) - start with Malavita or Revenge as you prefer Revenge Retribution Redemption Reckoning ***** Keywords: mafia romance, dark romance, dark mafia romance, romantic suspense, mob romance, mobster romance, organized crime romance, gangster, alpha male, contemporary romance, Italy, Italian, Italian romance, sexy romance, hot romance, romance novels, romance books, romance series, beach reads, bad boy romance, crime romance, mafia don romance, mafioso, undercover cop romance, Interpol

Off the Beaten Path 1 Pauline Wiles

Unfaithfully Yours and Revenge are the first two books in The Unfaithful Series. Web of Deceit, the third book, will be available in January 2013. Unfaithfully Yours Four scorned women, one adulterous man and the price he has to pay for their revenge. "Heaven has no rage like love to hatred turned/ Nor hell a fury like a woman scorned." By William Congreve in The Mourning Bride of 1697. Shona Morgan is in love with a married man. She finally realises that her married lover, Mark McNamara, is never going to leave his wife for her. Heartbroken, she resolves to break up with him and try to move on with her life. Jackie Fitzpatrick seems to have it all; a loving husband and two beautiful children. However, she can't escape the sneaking feeling that there's more to life and embarks on an illicit affair, but at what cost? Penelope Garrett has had enough of being treated badly by the men in her life and is determined to seek revenge when her latest boyfriend lets her down. Rebecca McNamara thinks she has the perfect marriage but when she discovers her husband's dark secrets her idyllic life comes crashing down around her. Revenge Revenge is a story of treachery and betrayal... Mark McNamara is a lying, cheating adulterer who will stop at nothing to get what he wants, but is he being framed for a crime he did not commit? Somebody has plotted to kill the women with whom he was intimately involved and all the evidence points to Mark. Nothing will stop the pursuit of justice and nobody is off limits, so who is the true mastermind behind the extraordinary cover up?

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Kerry Darcy has survived the fateful day in March when the tsunami struck, but she is struggling to pick up the pieces of her shattered life. Pregnant and alone, Hope Kennedy is left wondering what happened to the man she loved so much. Two very different women, two perfect husbands, but what happens when their lives horribly collide?

Revenge CreateSpace

Eight Tales of the Paranormal... Sharon Sant Soul Trading: As Sasha discovers during the weirdest night out of her life, it isn't only the Devil that makes deals for your soul. Angela Roquet Dearly Departed: Catch a glimpse of reaper Lana Harvey's heyday as a troublemaker in Limbo City's roaring twenties. Chip Putnam Why Grandma's Shouldn't Be Allowed to Read Vampire Stories: Great-grandmas and the undead. Chip Putnam Prairie Zombies: Great-grandpa and the undead. Kath Langdon Threads: The strong threads that bind us can also be our greatest weakness. Monica La Porta Home Wet Home: Sometimes, the promised land turns out to be not the place you dreamed of.

D. R. Johnson To Darkness I Fall: A woman, unhappy with her life, is given the gift of escape by a mysterious friend, but there's a catch... Jason T. Graves Great Plains: A spurned son, a stolen car, and a chance meeting...at the crossroads.

City Life CreateSpace

Martial artist Jason Willow and his family have been on the run from inhuman assassins all his life but no one will tell him why. When his mother is killed, he finally begins to uncover the shocking truth: demons are real and walk amongst us. Deep in the mountains of Transylvania, paranormally gifted, but often psychologically damaged, families calling themselves The Watch have been secretly hunting down demon cults for centuries. Jason's father used to be a demon hunter, gifted with powerful abilities and now Jason is about to develop unparalleled powers of his own. All hell threatens to break loose as both sides lay claim to him. As the demonic attacks escalate, Jason and his sassy, eighteen year old sister, Miranda are forced to accept the protection of a sinister figure from their father's past. Rocked by first love and betrayal, Jason is tempted into a deadly training regime for the chance to control his burgeoning powers. Relationships crack as his father struggles to keep him from a sickening, treacherous world he will never be able to escape. Jason must make a choice: join a twisted cabal of demon hunters or suppress his powers and be hunted for the rest of his life. But time is running out as the ripples of Jason's unlocked abilities draw in the darkness that has stalked him since birth. JASON WILLOW's high-octane action is shot through with family, friends and lovers caught in complicated relationships as they battle to find sanctuary in such locations as a remote Scottish castle, a gang-controlled school, a high-tech abbey stronghold and a hellish brewery town lost deep in the Yorkshire Moors. Kindle Book Review (5/5 Stars) My favourite part of the book was the rip-roaring, rollicking ending. Action? Man, yes! Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award - Expert Reviewers Carving out believable relationships between siblings, especially brothers and sisters, isn't something I see done well in young adult fiction, but I think this author hit the nail on the head... .. And then there is the mystery of the kids' father - what is his past all about? Is he a good guy or a bad guy? I think that is the real burning question? ABNA Quarter Finals: Publishers Weekly Reviewer ...the exciting plot keeps the pages turning. The description of Jason's Gift is particularly original and the fight scenes are intense. The SL - School Librarian magazine (U.K.) "This exciting first novel is not for the faint hearted with menacing locations and action descriptions. Issues of bullying, violence, family loyalties, friendships and the battle between good and evil make this a fairly complex but exceedingly hard to put down novel..." The Times Educational Supplement (Web Site - reader review) The fierce, often gruesome, battles suggest similarities with modern day computer games...

Moody's Stock Survey Dana Delamar

Frank Novak's life is a hectic procession of events, since he's the foremost neighborhood watchdog in San Gabriel, Texas. He thinks at times that things couldn't get any worse for him, but he's wrong. His wife is finding a Holy Roller preacher way too attractive, his camping trailer is stolen, and then his real problems begin; someone is trying to kill him. The idea of escaping to a reclusive life in the Texas Hill Country begins to seem very appealing; then Monica Cruz enters his life. She works for an agency that helps neighborhoods get organized to fight crime and decay, and she's intelligent, intense, and best of all, interested in Frank. They make a good team--Frank with his determination to keep his neighborhood clear of problems, and Monica with her knowledge of what works in solving their problems--and her Taurus .38 revolver. Will all this be enough to keep them safe from the residents of the crack house on the corner or the angry man who doesn't care how much pollution he causes in disposing of hazardous waste? They're hoping that it will and that they'll have a life together in spite of the odds.

Aftermath Dana Delamar

He is her savior. She is his salvation. Britain, 670 AD The day Leofric finds a young woman washed up on a windswept shore his life changes forever. A monk upon the island of Lindisfarna, Leofric is living in exile after shaming his family. The girl he saves is Aelfwyn. Once handmaid to a queen, she is now fleeing from a cruel king. Thrown together by circumstance, Aelfwyn and Leofric escape the north and begin again--only neither is prepared for the bond that builds between them. He helps her heal, while she gives him a chance at redemption. But all too soon, the outside world puts their fragile happiness together at risk. Eventually they understand that in order to escape the past, they must face it. THE WHISPERING WIND is Book #1 of The Kingdom of Northumbria series: three Historical Romance novels set in late 7th Century Anglo-Saxon England. The next book in the series, WIND SONG, will be released in late 2017.

Jolie Blonde Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

"Supernatural meets The Hunger Games" Jason Willow and his family have been running from assassins for as long as he can remember. When his mother is killed, he finally begins to uncover the shocking truth. Jason and his sassy, seventeen year old sister, Miranda are taken to hide in a remote abbey community in the Yorkshire Moors which is headed by a fixer from their father's never-discussed past. Rocked by first love and betrayal, Jason is tempted into a deadly training regime which begins to unlock terrifying powers deep within him. Relationships crack as his father struggles to keep him from being drawn into a sickening double life he will never be able to escape. Jason must make a choice: fight a hidden war alongside the twisted cabal at the abbey or be hunted down for as long as he lives. But time is running out. Nothing in the abbey is what it seems and the ripples of Jason's unlocked abilities begin to draw in the darkness that has stalked him since birth. Jason Willow is packed full of hard-hitting martial arts and gun action, suspense and tightly controlled, supernatural powers. The high-octane elements are balanced by multi-skilled friends and lethal enemies embroiled in tangled relationships. The modern-day story plays out over such locations as a remote Scottish island, a high-tech abbey stronghold, a gang-controlled school and a hellish brewery town lost deep in the Yorkshire moors. If you enjoy paranormal and supernatural books, loaded with action, horror and a light touch of teen romance then this should be on your books for boys and girls bestseller list. Praise for Jason Willow Kindle Book Review March 2013 (5/5 Stars) My favourite part of the book was the rip-roaring, rollicking ending. Action? Man, yes! Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award - Expert Reviewers Carving out believable relationships between siblings, especially brothers and sisters, isn't something I see done well in young adult fiction, but I think this author hit the nail on the head... .. And then there is the mystery of the kids' father - what is his past all about? Is he a good guy or a bad guy? I think that is the real burning question? ABNA Quarter Finals: Publishers Weekly Reviewer ...the exciting plot keeps the pages turning. The description of Jason's Gift is particularly original and the fight scenes are intense. The SL - School Librarian magazine (U.K.) "This exciting first novel is not for the faint hearted with menacing locations and action descriptions. Issues of bullying, violence, family loyalties, friendships and the battle between good and evil make this a fairly complex but exceedingly hard to put down novel..." The Times Educational Supplement (Web Site - reader review) The fierce, often gruesome, battles suggest similarities with modern day computer games... Amazon.co.uk: reader review ...The images created are so vivid you become part of the scenery and feel like you are only a few footsteps behind the action... There is nothing typical about this book, the baddies get their fair share of success and the goodies also get their fair share of kicks in the face which leaves you shouting "nooooooo... you can't do that." Amazon.co.uk: reader review Jason Willow's quest to establish his true identity is one long roller coaster of action and suspense. Magnificent locations came alive with

an ever-present sense of menace. The other characters, good and bad, were skilfully built upon as the story progressed (I'm still rooting for Violet), and I can't wait to hear more of their story.

The Whispering Wind Candlelight Treasury

"I burned Thanksgiving dinner because I couldn't stop reading this book! Once again, Dana Delamar has delivered gold! I have waited impatiently for this 4th book in the series to be released. It was so worth it! I gobbled it up the day it was released....I went back a second time because I was afraid that I missed something. Just as good the second time. The characters are developed, honest, complex and HOT!!" - Amy, Amazon reviewer "5 stars = I freaking LOVED this book!!!... The final showdown - The Reckoning - was unreal and full of surprises I wasn't expecting. I loved the ending that Delamar crafted, even if it appears to be the series end as well. While it does read as though Reckoning is the final book in the Blood and Honor series, I would not be disappointed to see additional installments written. Nope, not one bit. I have loved this series from the first novella, Malavita, to this one and I'm not ready to say goodbye." -- Angela S Goodrich, Crystal's Many Reviewers blog "I have been along for this ride since the beginning and all I can say is WOW!!!... Ruggero and Loredana's love scenes make the reader reach for a glass or water and beg to trade places with her.... Dana pulled me into this before unknown world of the MOB with her first book, Revenge and she has kept me there. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to be along for the ride and see these characters grow and make tough decisions and fight for what THEY believe in and for love that may or may not want to be loved. You cannot go wrong with Reckoning, well, only if you don't dive in and hold on tight." -- MommanCali, Amazon reviewer RUGGERO VELA All I've ever been, all I'll ever be, is a hitman. An enforcer for the Lucchesi family. It's what my father did before me. It's what I'll do until the day I die, just like my father did. And it's all I deserve. I don't deserve a wife and kids. I don't deserve a family. Not when I destroyed my own. And I especially don't deserve her, the beautiful anti-Mafia judge who holds my boss's fate in her hands. The judge who'd never look at me with anything but loathing. Not even when I save her life. LOREDANA MONTISI Mafia thugs killed my father in front of me when I was a child. It's why I followed in his footsteps. It's why I swore to uphold the law, why I'm renowned for holding Mafiosos to account. No matter the risks. No matter the consequences. Even if my job cost me the fiancé I'd planned to spend the rest of my life with. And now I've got the chance to take down Enrico Lucchesi, a mobster who's made himself nearly untouchable. A man who's defied justice. A man who murdered a judge very much like my father. Lucchesi will not escape justice this time. I will not be intimidated by Lucchesi's enforcer, a man who stalks me like prey. A man I don't dare take my eyes off of. A man who tells me I'm a pawn in a game so vast, I can hardly comprehend it. A man I don't believe. Until I do. ***** CONTENT WARNING: Reckoning is a dark Mafia romance that contains graphic language, sexual situations, and violence. You have been warned. READING ORDER: Malavita (Prequel) - start with Malavita or Revenge as you prefer Revenge Retribution Redemption Reckoning ***** Keywords: mafia romance, dark romance, dark mafia romance, romantic suspense, mob romance, mobster romance, organized crime romance, gangster, alpha male, contemporary romance, Italy, Italian, Italian romance, sexy romance, hot romance, romance novels, romance books, romance series, beach reads, bad boy romance, crime romance, mafia don romance, mafioso, hitman, hit man, hitman romance, hit man romance, enforcer, assassin, sicario

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A life-long friendship. One night to prove his worth. Watson weaves a short, but compelling and sensual, love story. Catriona Morganach is only trying to deliver herbs to a patient, when the disreputable Gregor Murray corners her in the stables. But when Sir Eachann--a friend from childhood--interrupts them and thwarts Gregor, Catriona realizes she feels something for the quiet knight who left to foster in England so many years ago, a friend she never stopped missing. Eachann Donnachaidh has just come home to Scotland, knighted, and ready to begin repaying the laird that gave him a future when his parents abandoned him. But when the wealthy noble, Gregor Murray, takes liberties with Catriona Morganach and ignores her protests, Eachann realizes that his feelings for the lass run much deeper than their long-standing friendship. Eachann cannot abide what Gregor has in mind, and has one night to prove his worth... Visit E. Elizabeth Watson's Amazon author page, or visit her website: eelizabethwatson.com. Follow her on Twitter @AuthorEEWatson, and like her on Facebook @Author.E.Elizabeth.Watson.

Attention Span Penguin

The Challenge Built to Last, the defining management study of the nineties, showed how great companies triumph over time and how long-term sustained performance can be engineered into the DNA of an enterprise from the very beginning. But what about the company that is not born with great DNA? How can good companies, mediocre companies, even bad companies achieve enduring greatness? The Study For years, this question preyed on the mind of Jim Collins. Are there companies that defy gravity and convert long-term mediocrity or worse into long-term superiority? And if so, what are the universal distinguishing characteristics that cause a company to go from good to great? The Standards Using tough benchmarks, Collins and his research team identified a set of elite companies that made the leap to great results and sustained those results for at least fifteen years. How great? After the leap, the good-to-great companies generated cumulative stock returns that beat the general stock market by an average of seven times in fifteen years, better than twice the results delivered by a composite index of the world's greatest companies, including Coca-Cola, Intel, General Electric, and Merck. The Comparisons The research team contrasted the good-to-great companies with a carefully selected set of comparison companies that failed to make the leap from good to great. What was different? Why did one set of companies become truly great performers while the other set remained only good? Over five years, the team analyzed the histories of all twenty-eight companies in the study. After sifting through mountains of data and thousands of pages of interviews, Collins and his crew discovered the key determinants of greatness -- why some companies make the leap and others don't. The Findings The findings of the Good to Great study will surprise many readers and shed light on virtually every area of management strategy and practice. The findings include: Level 5 Leaders: The research team was shocked to discover the type of leadership required to achieve greatness. The Hedgehog Concept (Simplicity within the Three Circles): To go from good to great requires transcending the curse of competence. A Culture of Discipline: When you combine a culture of discipline with an ethic of entrepreneurship, you get the magical alchemy of great results. Technology Accelerators: Good-to-great companies think differently about the role of technology. The Flywheel and the Doom Loop: Those who launch radical change programs and wrenching restructurings will almost certainly fail to make the leap. "Some of the key concepts discerned in the study," comments Jim Collins, "fly in the face of our modern business culture and will, quite frankly, upset some people." Perhaps, but who can afford to ignore these findings?