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In the latest instalment of Martha Long's autobiography, *Ma, Now I'm Goin Up in the World*, her story continues through her teenage years.

At 16, Martha collapses on the streets, suffering from starvation, exposure and absolute exhaustion. She has reached rock bottom and something must give. Otherwise, she may come to an untimely end. After Martha is taken to hospital, Lady Luck smiles kindly on her and she is given the opportunity to get off the streets for ever.

Before long, Martha is on the way to leading the normal life she has so long dreamt of. She makes friends, begins to put the misery of her past behind her and even experiences her first taste of love.

For her, love is a powerful feeling. She has never experienced real affection before and is now plunged into the complex world of love between a man and a woman. This conflict between childhood and adulthood, with the different emotional needs of both, causes a war of confusion to rage within Martha.

She is locked in an intense emotion that consumes her, for this is a forbidden love that can never be requited. After all, Ralph Fitzgerald is a priest, and he will never break his vow of chastity. This love brings heartbreak consequences and changes the direction of Martha's life for ever . . .

## **Ma, Now I'm Goin Up in the World Details**

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## **From Reader Review Ma, Now I'm Goin Up in the World for online ebook**

### **Emma says**

Just as good as the rest. <3 Martha Long

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### **Paula8966 says**

I haven't read previous books of Martha Long's story. Once I started reading I did not know it's a part of the series. I was starting the book quite a few times going more than one time through first few pages. Then I put in my mind to read and finish all the books on the shelf before purchasing new ones. That's how I managed to go through the beginning of the book. About in one third of the book I really started enjoying the plot and be interested at Martha's story. After I found out it is based on true story I have got hooked. I finished the rest of the book in one day. I will read probably the rest of the series but I am not excited about it as I was with some other series I've read.

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### **Tahnee says**

Loved this book! Can't wait to read the next one. The relationship between Martha is interesting and frustrating. Found the ending just stopped but was a good cliffhanger.

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### **Anthony Flynn says**

Well written. This is my third book of the Martha Long series.  
On to my fourth now.

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### **Linda Downey says**

best book iv ever read!!

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### **Sheryl says**

4th in a series of books detailing the life of Martha Long. It covers only 2 years of her life from 16 to 18 and left me wanting to know what happened to her next. I found it very easy to read and to connect with Martha's story.

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### **Kim says**

I did not think anything would compare to Long's first book, *Ma He Sold Me For A Few Cigarettes*, but this fourth novel in the series was fantastic. It is so well written. This book is quite uplifting and I was pleased to see some good things happening to Martha at last. There is true heartbreak in this book too, and as usual, I had a few tears. I am not massively into this kind of genre, and only picked up the first book by chance. I highly recommend Long's books. It's a wonderful journey. I have forced myself not to read these back to back as I want to savor them. I love Long's style and the language she uses. She certainly takes you right to the heart of Dublin in that era. You can feel it, taste it, smell it, and practically experience it!

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### **Nicky Forrester says**

I loved this follow on to Martha's earlier work, I love how she tells her story and her wit and humour is right up my street. She's a remarkable woman with a great talent for telling her story in such an engaging (sometime hilarious) way.

I love that for the most part, her life was happier in this edition and the ending always leaves you hungry to learn where life took her next.

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### **Lynda Williamson says**

#### **Left Hanging**

I hope that there will be another book in this series. I love reading these books but this one leaves you hanging and there is not another one at least not yet. Martha is in yet another predicament. Surely there's another book coming, hopefully soon.

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### **Michelle says**

Bloody brilliant!

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