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Jocelyn Dex says

The beginning of this book was intriguing, then it went wrong. Very wrong for me. When the hero of a story tells the heroine, "I'm not going to rape you." Then, he's on top of her and apologizing because he can't control himself and he does the deed... That's not sexy to me. It's icky.

Because of the decent writing, I'd consider trying another book by this author, but I'd read the reviews first and if anyone mentioned "rapey", I'd definitely pass on it.

HI5O says

Immensely enjoyable

My first zombie apocalyptic story and I really thought it was well written and developed. The words basically jumped and you could picture everything.

Theresa says

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NB - The Expanded Edition includes a prologue, additional Part One scenes, and a whole new section (Part Two).

Serenity says

I was completely stoked for this read, I thought, "Zombies, the apocalypse, hot alpha male, the perfect story"

although I was utterly disappointed in return. I tried to finish the book, trust me I really did, but it was nearly impossible. One of my main dislikes was (SPOILERS AHEAD) Steven was so convinced that this is what Serena wanted, that she wanted to have sex with her deceased Husband's best-friend not even a week after she receives the knowledge of his death. And on top of that, she (Serena) just couldn't for the life of her resist him, which I've found to be a common trait in erotic fiction, but seriously, as a reader I should have felt excited and anxious for the two to make love, but what they were doing was anything but "making love". I wouldn't say this book is a failure, as I've mentioned before, it had it's highlights, the more gory scenes were what I found the most enticing. Other then that, the romance was a major NO for me.

Netanella says

I did not like this book, but the surprise ending - Steven's statement to Serena at the end - made me give it one additional star.

The writing style is smooth, and free from grammatical boo boos. It was also interesting to see an interracial couple, which is typically not done in most romances, zombie or otherwise. These are the only things I can say I liked about this story.

As a zombie story, there was a lot left to be desired - like, you know, zombies, for one. For a post-ZA world, our intrepid couple ran into a total of two, yes two!, zombies while travelling from California to Nevada. And of course, both of these two zombies were miles apart and isolated. So, where did the rest of the 3/4 of America's zombified population go? No clues are found in this book.

As a romance story, there was also a lot left to be desired. The romance read more like a happy rape scene - Serena is terrified, and Steven is an egotistical megalomaniac. The whole thing with pregnancy was just out there and didn't make any sense to me.

So, aside for the lovely one-liner ending that piqued my interest, this is a book I would take a pass on.

Justine L2r says

I dislike zombies, just as much as I dislike vampires and shifters.

Carolyn Injoy says

I received a free kindle copy of Trapped: Expanded Edition (Bite-Sized Romance #1) (Bite-Sized Romance: Zombie Apocalypse Book 1) by Rose Francis from Amazon for fair review. I gave it four stars.

It is a post apocalyptic world where there was the release of a virus from a base that did military research. Rather than calling the resulting victims of this virus zombies, they are called Morphs & cannot be healed. The only solution is to shoot them in the head.

Steven, Gregory's best friend comes to rescue Serena, Gregory's wife. Gregory is now out of the picture by becoming a Morph. Steven had been attracted to Serena for several years but because he was friends with

Gregory, had not acted on it. Now his desire holds no bounds.

Will Serena surrender to Steven? Will he get her safely to the military base of survivors?

There are several erotic scenes between them so I would not recommend this for under 18 years old readers.

Link to purchase: <http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1500...>

It is a 'to be continued' book.

Rebecca says

I received a free copy of this book through a Good Reads giveaway.

I was up for a romance set in the zombie apocalypse. Unfortunately, the male lead, Steven, has a creep factor that makes it almost impossible to like him or this "romance." He has apparently lusted after his best-friend's wife for years (even though he is not normally into black chicks) and, then, essentially rapes her multiple times one day after she finds out her husband is dead and while she weak from a month of barely eating--and in the midst of a zombie outbreak.

Somehow we are supposed to get past this because he is happy that she gets pregnant and he cares enough to ask later if he "forced her at any point." Gotta love her answer: "No. Not really. Its not as bad as you think. ...You sniffed it out and gave us what we both wanted. You never made me have sex with you Steven--I simply couldn't resist you."

That and the fact that his virus-resistant semen saves her life. I almost want to give this 2 stars for that plot twist because may be the most creative justification for rape ever.

Savannah- Quad Motherin' Book Readin' Diva says

I can't even begin to list all the things that made this fail but I want to start by saying its not a lack of talent. It boils down to a writer who seems completely out of touch with what's romantic, compelling and sexy.

First ten pages, I was stoked. Zombie apocalypse, black heroine, bad ass alpha hero. It went straight to hell soon after.

the writing is solid. But the choices....oooh for the love of books, the choices she made for these two. (spoilers ahead) Starting with...

WHO THE F*CK thinks its sexy for the "best friend" of a woman's dead husband to openly watch her bathe less than 24hrs after telling her the news that said friend is dead? Who the hell thinks its romantic or sexy for this same friend to have sex with this woman the next day despite her protests...all because he "can tell" she wants it and we as the reader are treated to a few ambiguous thoughts and phrases that make it seem like MAYBE she does. What's sexy about these SAME TWO people making a conscious decison to procreate DURING THE F*CKING ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE??? There is zero discussion between these two to denote ANY emotional depth or commitment. Its all so flighty, disjointed and vague that you're suprised by them spouting off the things they do when they do speak. No lead up to ANYthing that happens.

Just ..don't. Spare yourself. Its short and an obvious prequel but I feel certain you can do something else with this hour of your life.

Kelly says

I really don't know how I feel about this book. I liked the zombies. I liked the total destruction of the world as we know it. But I didn't like the quasi-forced consent between Serena and Steven. Because while her body was willing, Serena's head was definitely not in the game.

That said, I thought the ending was weirdly awesome. Such a punch to the gut. One little line made me all O.O and (O)_(O) and back to O.O.

If only the D/s themes had been less squicky for me. I would have been ALL OVER this book. Alas.

-Kelly @ Reading the Paranormal

Shinary Nembhard says

Great book

Wonderful story kept me coming back for more, now I am to purchase the second half to see what happens...

Toni says

I liked this novella mainly because it depicts the franticness that one would feel while the end of the world was upon them. Feelings change without even thinking about them. Life is looked at differently. And in this zombie apocalypse tale, both hold true.

What got me and makes me want to read the next book in the series is the ending. The bomb dropped and it left me feeling like I had been struck by lightning while simultaneously drowning.

It was like an OMG. What. The. Hell. Just. Happened. Here?! Moment.

I have a soft spot for romance told during a zombie apocalypse and this novel took the themes one would face during a zombie apocalypse to a whole new level. Being used to get what you want. Doing anything to get food, water, and safety. Yep... all of those are in here.

***Dee's Reading Time Matters says**

3.5 stars ***.5

A good read !

C.J. says

Part one is a good start to this zombie apocalypse story. Look forward to part 2.

Kymm says

Great book

OMG this book was good. All the twists and turns. The ending was the best. So many questions that was left unanswered. The author is brilliant.
