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Teagan Harper is barely ten years old when she finds herself orphaned and sent away to live at Raven's Peak, a Gothic estate on the seaside cliffs of Maine. Soon, though, her heartache and loneliness are tempered by a blossoming friendship with the only other child living at Raven's Peak: Kane Doyle, only two years older than Teagan and abandoned by his mother. Over the years, the pair grows inseparable. First they're pranksters and confidants, but eventually their feelings change, and best friends turn into soul mates. On the cusp of Teagan's departure for a university in Boston, they share a glimpse into their happily-ever-after and make promises of forever.

But Teagan and Kane's engagement and dreams of the future are shattered when Teagan returns home to find Kane gone from Raven's Peak—and living with someone new. Devastated and heartbroken, Teagan cuts ties with her beloved adoptive home and tries to move on with her life. But years later, when the shocking truth behind Kane's betrayal comes to light, Teagan must decide whether to embrace her new life and let go of her past once and for all, or fight for her dream life with the only man she's ever wanted.

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Alison says

I was really excited to find this book on Net Galley. I'd previously read and loved Beautifully Damaged and while it's sequel wasn't quite as good I'd put that down to the fact it was a sequel.

This story starts really well with young girl Teagan, recently orphaned, being sent to stay with Mrs Marks a friend of her Grandparents. Feeling frightened and alone among strangers she meets Kane, another ward of Mrs Marks. He is a couple of years older and is the sweetest boy ever. He does everything he can to make her feel welcome and the two become very attached. As they grow older their relationship develops from friendship to romantic.

When Tea heads off to college however a family secret tears them apart. Tea tries to recover from her broken heart and make her way in the world on her own but can never really forget the man she considers her soul mate and best friend. When she returns to her childhood home years later and discovers the secret that split them apart she has to decide whether to fight for the man she still loves.

I thought this was a really nice story and particularly liked the start. Despite the tragic circumstances that forced her there her adoptive family seemed ideal. I loved the pranks and games and young Kane was just so cute.

However I started to struggle a bit with the characters as adults. It looks from other reviews that a lot of people loved this book and laughed and cried along with the characters but I just couldn't connect with them. For me there was just too much analysis of everything they were feeling and thinking. I'd prefer if rather than saying it they showed it. Maybe it's a cultural difference between the UK and US but I've never met anyone who speaks about their feelings in such detail.

It is a good story but it just missed the spark for me.

Nikki Levy says

WOW what a read ... Emotional... Heartbreaking... Powerful... With some humour It has it all... How life can change in a blink of an eye but then change again... Family isn't always blood.. Totally loved every minute of this book couldn't put it down 'real life got in the way a few times' but every spare minute was spent reading...

5 stars doesn't even cover it, A Glimpse of the Dream had it all it was brilliantly written yet again LA Fiore has blown me away.. I'm now in a book funk only a few authors manage to do that to me but LA Fiore seems to manage it each time.. A Glimpse of the Dream had me sitting thinking how lucky I am .. WOW. Just WOW

? Jeri's Book Attic ? I like says

Sharon Matheson says

Young girl sent to live with an old lady. She meets a boy also living with him. They grow up together and eventually fall in love. They make plans for her to go to college and him to join her but he cancels last minute. She doesn't hear from him for a long time and hates him. Turns out that he was blinded in a fire and didn't want her to feel sorry for him.

He lied about his nurse being his wife.

Eventually she found out the truth. They end up together and open an antiques store and get their dream life.

Melanie says

*****5 Toad Beds and Worm Pies Stars*****

An amazing story that I didn't want to end. This book had me laughing, crying, hoping and loving. I went through every emotion and loved every moment of it.

Tea was a strong, lost and heartbroken girl when she met Kade. After a life altering event Tea found herself in a place that she didn't know with people she didn't know. But all it took was for 1 boy to befriend her and a dream was had. Kade took Tea under his wing and became her best friend. As years past their friendship grew and love was formed. The ups and downs their relationship endured was heart wrenching, heart breaking and hopeful.

The characters in this book complimented each other and made the story flow perfectly. This book really surprised me with the twist and turns the story line took but it kept me in grossed in the story to the very end.

Amazing writing and beautifully told story. HIGHLY RECOMMEND!!

Meredith says

I am a huge fan of LA Fiore. The first book I read was Beautifully Damaged and I was hooked. This book was just as powerful. You have the beautiful imagery and the roller coaster of emotions that you literally feel as you read. Your heart goes out to Kane and Teagan all the struggles and triumphs throughout the book. Very well written and a book that really stays with you and makes you think. It made me really appreciate the little things in life and big that we sometimes take for granted.

Keelie says

Another great book from author LA Fiore. She really draws you in and you love these characters so much. Through the good times and the bad, you stick to it but man do you go through the emotions. Always looking forward to the next one from this author!

Anne OK says

A beautiful and amazing story of two wonderfully crafted characters, Teagan and Kane. This book is a magical journey through their childhood friendship, a sweet and tender teenage love, and a deep and everlasting love for one another by soul mates. Only don't get too comfortable because there's a lot of angst and trouble to dig through before readers will reach the sunny side.

Kane broke my heart right along with Teagan's. There were times I wanted to hate him. But I couldn't - not really. He pieced me back together along with Teagan through redemption and forgiveness.

There are also some excellent and heart stealing secondary characters that will charm and endear themselves to readers.

I loved this book from start to finish. I loved the author's voice and her talents in presenting such a refreshing and thoroughly enjoyable reading experience. It is truly an unforgettable story that will linger in my heart for years to come. And luckily I won a hard copy through a Goodreads giveaway that now resides on my "keeper" bookshelf.

Libby Harrison says

Lynne says

"A Glimpse of the Dream" by L.A. Fiore is another one of her emotional-gripping reads. Within the first hour of reading, I went through so many feelings it was pretty insane. But if you have become familiar with Fiore's work that's what you've come to expect. With that, she likes to switch it up. Keep you on your toes and your heart in a vice when it comes to the heroine and hero's relationship. This book truly was no different.

You have Teagan and Kane. Two kids who both have suffered tragedy and has found solace within each other and under the roof of their adopted mother Mrs. Marks and her home at Raven's Peak, Maine. Over time their friendship develops into deep feelings of love. Once in a meaningful relationship, they begin to realize the happily ever after dream is not so easily achieved. After a painful revelation, their dream that they fought for is shattered. Many years later, both Teagan and Kane are at odds with each other. Teagan soon begins to realize there was more to their painful end than she could ever imagine. Will they both be strong enough to pick up the pieces to achieve that dream they so longed for?

Out of all of Fiore's books this was such a tough read. Meaning I found myself an emotional blubbering mess and honestly I'm not that way. Even when it comes to a book I LOVE. I can hold it together pretty much. This book wasn't sharing that same sentiment, at all! It basically told you to prepare yourself for so much

love and heartache that you may need to seek some therapy after. Teagan and Kane characters were written so strongly. They basically held their own in this book. Such a strong connection you basically felt it coming out the book. Another positive in this book was the supporting characters. These are the characters that become part of a family to the main couple lives. I love how Fiore writes these characters. It's like they could actually be a part of your family. You develop such a strong connection with them because of how they help the hero and heroine in their world. My only negative was the character Camille and her storyline that developed later on. Can I just puke on her? She made me ill. Just a nasty person that you wish would just go away in a cornfield. Couldn't stand her, and she kind of almost killed the story towards the end. But as they say, karma is the big "B".

In all, if you are in the mood for a tearjerker and a beautiful book then please download this into your kindle and get lost in Fiore's world. Believe me, I wouldn't steer you wrong. Out of a 5, I'm giving this a 4.5 stars. Another winner for Fiore.

Mama's Dirty Little Reads received a complimentary copy of A Glimpse of The Dream by the author in exchange for a honest review.

Carolyn's says

Loved! Teagan and Kane were just amazing! You are immediately drawn into this story from the very beginning due to the tragic circumstances that lead Teagan to Raven's Peak. Then you learn the story that brought Kane to Raven's Peak and there is no turning back for the love and support for these two characters. They develop this extraordinary bond that leads these two down the path of an unforgettable, perfect love. Upon graduating, Teagan leaves to go to college in Boston but Kane proposes to her on the way to the airport and plans to join her in 6 months.

Then L. A. Fiore rips my heart out!!! Teagan begins to her less and less from not only Kane, but the entire Raven's Peak family. Having had enough, she returns home to find Kane has moved out and on with another woman. Devastated, yes Teagan but me too, Teagan returns to Boston and tried to get on with her life, cutting ties from everyone to allow herself to heal.

When circumstances force her home some 10 years later, things are different and Teagan is trying to figure them all out..one devastating piece at a time. There is nothing to write without giving away spoilers but L.A. Fiore is an absolute master at writing books that will grab your heart, twist it until you think you are going to die on the characters behalf and then slowly, painfully, sweetly, magically puts the thud, thud, thud back into the heart with a HUGE does of awesomeness to boot!

This is my second L.A. Fiore book and I am beginning to question my own sanity for not reading or knowing about her before!!!

NMmomof4 says

3 Star read

Story type: Contemporary, friends to lovers, second chance love

Storyline: This is Teagan and Kane's story. Teagan meets Kane when she is 9 after her parents die in a car accident and she is taken to live with Mrs. Marks (a good friend of her grandparents and closest thing to a relative she had) where he lives (he was adopted by Mrs. Marks when his single mother abandoned him). They instantly form a strong bond when Kane reaches out to comfort her the first night. They form a great friendship and become inseparable, but when they get older feelings turn romantic. This is where the story gets hard to explain without spoilers (that this time I will not include)....Teagan sets off to go to BU and Kane is supposed to follow shortly behind after finishing up things back in Maine, but after being separated some things happen and they end up apart. Some more unfortunate things happen and that separation lasts 9 years until Teagan returns because Mrs. Marks is in the hospital. Some major revelations occur as to why they were caused to separate and they end up back together. After some major obstacles, they do find their HEA.

POV: Alternating between Kane and Teagan POV

Overall Pace of Story: Good pace...slow in some parts and fast in others...a good balance

H rating: 4 stars. Kane. Loved him as a young boy/teenager and how he loved Teagan and understood his bitterness and pridefulness later.

h rating: 3 stars. Teagan. I would just say she was ok...loved Simon though (her college bff and later business partner)

Angst level: High. I definitely needed the tissues on this one!

Heat level: Moderate. Some steamy time that sometimes felt like too much for the story content, but wouldn't say it was too much throughout the story.

Descriptive sex: Yes

Sex scene with OW or OM: (view spoiler)

Cheating: (view spoiler)

Possible Triggers: (view spoiler)

Closure: I felt like the book provided good closure with an epilogue with two different jumps in time with both character's POV to lead us to believe they did find their HEA.

Ashley says

I read this via Kindle Unlimited

Bravo, Fiore, bravo. I absolutely loved this. I was drawn in from the first paragraph. This was a lovely story of love tested over a span of almost 20 years. I loved Kane, and I loved Teagan, but there were times where I wanted to slap sense into them. This wasn't really all that happy of a story, there were times where I wanted to cry buckets...but there was lots of laughter and happy moments too.

I really enjoyed the main characters, all of them. The 2 main characters whose story this is, as well as their guardians, and later on, Teagan's friend and business associate Simon.

This was a story of growing up, and finding oneself, of love of epic proportions, overcoming life changing obstacles, and going after what you want/need in life. I thoroughly enjoyed it. This review doesn't come close to giving this book justice, its just one you need to check out for yourself.

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Paige says

This was second chance romance that was both heartbreaking and heartmending. The reasonings behind some of the choices made were frustrating, but as the story continued, I could see where both Teagan and Kane were coming from. That doesn't mean I agree but L.A. did a great job of getting into their heads and telling their stories. Watching them age was so sweet. When they fell apart, I could feel myself start falling apart. But when things were good they were really good. And the sexy times were some of the best times. Their journey wasn't easy but it was worth it.

Michelle says

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