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Born Lucky Details

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Nicky says

Is there or will there be a book 2? Put me in mind of a blend of Koontz's Odd Thomas & Fear Nothing- Humorous and still gave me the heebie jeebies.

Tammy says

Christine Dougherty was born to write.

In previous works Christine has tackled Horror, Speculative Fiction, and Mystery. In Born Lucky, Urban Fantasy and suspense . She does each one of these very, very well. Her writing easily pulls her reader in to the story she is weaving and compells us to continue to turn page after page until the story is told.

In Born Lucky the author introduces us to a unique and likeable character; JD.

As a young boy, JD receives a gift and a curse in the form of psychic abilities.

One form that manifests is the ability to hold a newspaper article and receive a vision of the events described in the article. This also poses a risk in that JD suffers physically some of what the subject of the article suffers. This can injure or kill him and it, as well as other abilities, causes him to retreat from society at a very young age.

His choice of refuge? A secluded mental hospital.

Dora, an administrator in the hospital who understands why JD is really there just cant help slipping these articles to JD when she thinks he can help. This is how his adventures in Born Lucky begin.

Here is th book summary from the author: *At three days old, JD was blown clear of the explosion that killed his mysterious parents and set him on a path of uneasy discovery. A reluctant psychic, JD chooses to live in the safe world of a mental institution, unable to control the things he 'sees'...sometimes with unwelcome, and even dangerous, consequences.*

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I liked JD a lot. He is unsure of himself, afraid of the world outside of the institution and happy to stay safe and away from the outside. Cynical yet vulnerable, he starts off somewhat cowardly once he is pressured in to helping find two missing teens. You still like him but even better, you like how his character grows. By the end of Born Lucky, I loved JD and as a bonus found the secondary characters in the story just as likeable.

I truly hope Christine publishes another JD book soon. The combined elements of Suspense, horror, humor and realistic human emotion really hooked me. I foresee a successful, enjoyable series that will draw the attention of readers who enjoy many types of genres.

I recommend this to Horror, Suspense, and Urban Fantasy lovers!

Crystal Caravella says

Awaiting the rest of the series!!

Megan says

It's been a long time since a book scared me enough to give me nightmares. I was instantly involved with the first 7 characters in this book and had no idea where it was headed. It was so amazing to find another story about the "dirt men" I'd heard about years ago. I can't wait to start another JD book soon.

Ralph Trickey says

I really tried to like this book, but gave up 49% of the way through. The premise was a bit too ridiculous and the characters acted in completely unbelievable ways with no obvious motivations. It's possible that they get tied up somehow later, but I couldn't keep going to find out.

Sonia says

This was an interesting read. Definitely not what I was expecting. A little gory, too.

Kit★ says

Got this as a freebie at some point, added to Mt. TBR.

Julia says**Interesting and different**

I really enjoyed this book. The premise was very good and it moved along at a nice pace. I was freaked out a bit at the beginning. The suspense was great. When you find out what is actually going on, it is kind of weird. But not weird enough to stop me from reading the next in the series. I liked the characters and loved Pepper!

Cari says

I quite liked this. Horror story with a twist. A fast read.

Donna Heards says

great story.....very suspenseful

Rebecca says

It was a bit too close to horror for me. I've never liked horror. Also not quite believable, but otherwise pretty good in its own way.

Mo says

(Kindle version)

Shadowy creatures in the woods, made of twigs & power, attack humans until "lucky" J.D. is released from his self-imposed (and literal) asylum to use his pseudo psychic ability (he sees things with a touch) to resolve the situation with a handful of other people.

Slow pacing and mediocre characters made for an easily distracted reader. Not inclined to read more by this author.

Robbie says

This was well-written, fast-paced, with likeable, intelligent protagonists. I'd enjoy reading more in this series. I rate it 4.5 stars.

Kaila says

This was a good. . semi freaky. ..odd..weird and in some places confusing story but I loved it. It was fast paced which wasn't bad except trying to remember characters. Overall I really enjoyed this story and am excited for the next
