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## **Seeker Details**

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## From Reader Review Seeker for online ebook

### Stephanie Collins says

What a great, entertaining read! This is a wonderful start to what promises to be an intriguing series. I found myself pleasantly surprised; I'm not normally a huge fan of first person writing, and I often get distracted (and sometimes even annoyed) when the character "talks to the audience". Boy...NOT in this case. The first person writing didn't leave me feeling "deprived" of the motivation of other characters, and the tone was JUST RIGHT. I actually enjoyed when our main character, Ally, spoke directly to us; I often even laughed out loud. It acted as a reminder of the character's young age. Sometimes teenaged characters can come off acting and sounding like seasoned adults...who just happen to still be in high school. I got the total sense that Ally was very much a blossoming teen - from the rash decisions to the boy-crazed distraction. As a mother of teens, I appreciated the fact that Ms. Reece allowed her characters to make good, responsible choices, while "keeping it real". Teens are no angels, whether they make wise choices or not, so it was refreshing to see that a relatively "clean read" could include the conflict within the characters that allowed it to be such, along with the reality that characters around them were not always making such wise choices. I get annoyed when teen characters are portrayed as virginal saints who's lips have never uttered a 4-letter word and responsible intellectuals who have never had an R-rated thought sully their pretty little minds. Pul-eeze! Anyway, not to rush off, but I immediately downloaded the next in the series, so...please excuse me while I go ignore my dishes and laundry so I can read on!

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### Leonide Martin says

This was an enjoyable and interesting story, told in an engaging style. Ally's comments to herself were frequently very funny, and the teen language a fresh departure. I'd prefer more focus on Ally's struggles to accept and understand her gift of being a Seeker, and less details about teenage romance and raging hormones. Both the main characters, Ally and Jack, were likable and captivating. Sometimes Jack seemed too good to be true, but Ally's emotional fluctuations appeared quite normal for teens. The plot moved slowly at first but picked up; some scenes were rather brutal but many showed lovely affections and quirky family characters. The full implications of Ally's gift was left to unfold in subsequent stories.

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### N.N. Light says

Seeker is a Young Adult Paranormal Romance but it is so much more than teenage romance. Ally Moran is intuitive just like her mother and grandmother but when she has a vision about her ex-friend and uber-popular cheerleader, her whole world is turned upside down.

Enter the book boyfriend of the year, Jack Ruiz. He witnesses Ally having her first vision and mistakes it for Ally being ill. Being the gentleman he is, he insists on driving her home. Ally thinks he is hot and tries to dampen her feelings by telling herself that he is just being nice.

Sparks fly and before you can say teenage crush, they are a couple. Ally tries to hide her psychic abilities from Jack but the visions keep coming and she can't control them. Jack has secrets of his own and the more he is around Ally, the harder it is to keep them from her.

I fell in love with Jack and he is exactly the kind of guy I crushed in high school. Sweet, funny with a dark past.

Ally and Jack must confide in each other if they are going to be a couple. I won't give anything else away but let me tell you, Ally and Jack are adorable.

I love a good paranormal romance and this is one of the best I've read. Amy Reece weaves a gripping story (while being in the paranormal) that left me on the edge of my seat. Date rape, drugs, domestic abuse, teen pregnancy and self-discovery are all strong themes in this book but it wasn't preachy.

I can't wait to read what happens in book two!

**Favorite Character:** Hands down, Jack Ruiz. He's a kind, quiet guy with a dark past. He shows Ally what it means to trust someone and to be trusted. He also is the perfect example of a book boyfriend.

**My Rating:** 5 stars

This review first appeared: <https://www.nnlightsbookheaven.com/si...>

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## **Wendy says**

"Seeker" the first book in the series blends the paranormal and romance into a mystery that begins in sixteen year old Ally Moran's English class when she has a waking dream about Veronica Albluth, a former childhood friend who's in dire trouble. Like the women in her family she's always had an enhanced intuition about things but this vision leaves her dizzy and heating up until fellow classmate Jack Ruiz helps her escape prying eyes so she can compose herself.

Jack Ruiz a loner with a bad boy image who's trying to make a fresh start hides a secret about his past and doesn't want to get involved with the redhead who captured his interest on the first day he sat behind her in class. Trying to keep his distant he never expects that their chemistry will ignite as they solve clues to a mystery that far surpasses their worst fears.

Set in Albuquerque, New Mexico this innovative and imaginative story heats up when Ally not only discovers that she could be powerful Seer with abilities that surpass her psychic visions, but that her insight into an abusive relationship in Veronica's life could spell danger for her. The plot moves quickly and smoothly with twists that keep you riveted from the first chapter to a gripping conclusion. The mystery in the story is absorbing not only as Ally and Jack unravel psychic clues that lead to Veronica's abuser and a drug ring at the school, but also the key to her power.

Told in a first person narrative, the intensity and suspense of this story is often broken by humor, Ally's witticisms and her smoldering attraction to Jack. Because of a criminal past and his subsequent probation, eighteen year old Jack has tried to keep his head down, working hard to undo the damage. But as events unfold the emotional tension between Ally and Jack grows until their friendship threatens to implode if they don't explore the depth of their feelings for each other.

Amy Reece has created characters that grow on you with the complexity of their personalities. Ally Moran is

a feisty but awkward teen who likes to stay out of the limelight at school. As she delves into the mystery of her power and Veronica's troubles she begins to show a strength-of-spirit and confidence she didn't think she had; although she unrealistically tends to cry about everything and anything. Jack Ruiz is highly intelligent and hardworking, wanting to bury his past mistakes. Crazy about Ally he's convinced he's not good enough for her and wants to keep her at arm's length until forced to admit his feelings. Veronica Albluth is the vapid, selfish and snotty cheerleader who hides her vulnerability and troubles. In contrast Tara, Ally's likeable best friend is loyal, bluntly honest but a patient listener. All these characters and many more add to the energy and drama of a tale that can only get better with each new storyline.

I wanted to read "Seeker" when I saw it on Goodreads/First Reads and was not disappointed although I thought the background to the ancient power Ally inherited as well as her family's situation a bit sparse. But I liked it and will read the next books in the series.

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### **siobhan Quinlan says**

I need book 2 and i need it now :) This was a fantastic read. I was delighted to see the author didnt shy away from horrible events. 5 out of 5 stars another must read

Video review to come

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### **DreamsAndScreams Bookaholics says**

April's 5 star Review

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Can this unlikely couple work together to find answers to Ally's visions before someone gets killed? I was hooked from the moment I picked it up and kept me interested from the first page to the last! The characters are very well written and I was quickly drawn into Ally's world and wanted to know as badly as she did on what the was going on, not only with the mystery around her "friend", but also with her emerging psychic abilities. The relationship between Ally and Jack is a sweet, intense, and realistic trip down the "memory" lane of first love. It left me wanting more. I can't wait to see what happens next.

### Crystal's 5 Star Review

16 year old Ally Moran is different. She's not like the other students she goes to high school with. She has pretty much kept a close circle of friends and doesn't get involved with student activities. Then one day during class, something strange happens, she has a vision. You see, Ally's family is different. Both her mom and grandmother have psychic abilities. When she tells them about the visions she is having about someone she used to be friends with, they tell her about her gift and the fact she just might be someone of importance. Jack Ruiz is just trying to get through high school. He's been in trouble in the past and is now working to overcome it. He keeps to himself, but has had his eye on Ally since the first moment he saw her. He just didn't let her know. When he helps her get to the nurse after a vision (he doesn't know) they become friends. They both want more, but when he finds out her age, he steps back. Nothing though can stop first love. When Jack finds out Ally's secret, he doesn't care. Just like Ally doesn't care about Jack's past even though he thinks she does.

When the visions become disturbing, Ally realizes she needs to do something. She attempts to try to be friends with the girl again, but the girl is wary. Jack and Ally work hard to figure out what the visions mean before something happens.

I absolutely love this book!! Maybe I am biased because I grew up in New Mexico and lived and worked in Albuquerque. I recognized the names of restaurants and heard my boyfriend talking about the area. Ms. Reece blends both real and fictional places, including schools into the story, weaving one great tale. I definitely recommend reading this series. I fell in love with both the characters and the storyline.

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### Poulami says

Full reviews can be read at Daydreaming Books.

\*\*I received a digital copy of this book from the author via Goodreads in exchange for an honest review.\*\*

I liked this book. Though I hate comparisons but the plot line was similar to that of *Fire in Frost* by Alicia Rades (you can read my review [here](#)). But I liked this a lot better than that, the characters were developed and handled maturely, the plot was neatly executed by keeping things interesting and I liked the pace which is even throughout the book.

The story is about a girl named Ally. She knew her family was different from the others but she didn't want those different qualities to pass on her. She discovers that she has the ability to have visions about the past. Later she discovers she can glimpse the future as well. From her visions she understands that one of her former friend, Victoria is pregnant and she is being abused time and again. At first she is reluctant to do anything about that but finally she understands that she needs to help Victoria whether she is her friend or not because the situation is getting worse.

**The plot was good, neatly executed but a bit predictable.** Though I wanted a lot more explanation about her family history, a little is given. But I guess we will learn more about her powers and stuff in the next book because she is apparently one of the strongest Seer anyone has ever seen and when this is discovered by one of her grandmother's friend, they decide to take her to the high council. Unfortunately the book ends here but I'm very excited to know what happens next. **But overall, things were kept interesting enough and I was hooked from the beginning.** Though I would have liked if there was more focus on finding the abuser and something to help the victim rather than the romantic aspect, though I'm not saying it's a bad thing, it would have been nice and solid if that was the minor factor.

**The characters were pretty good though sometimes Ally was whiny and irritating. But it is understandable since she didn't want to accept the fact that she was different, she just wanted a normal life** and she was not given a choice. I really **would have liked if she made a greater effort to help Victoria. This is the only thing that I disliked about this book.** Whereas Crystal in *Fire in Frost* was completely devoted to help the victim at all cost, I don't think Ally tried that much here. Other than that she was a good character. **I liked Jack very much. He was sweet and caring** and harboured a crush on Ally though they never spoke until until she had a vision in class and nearly fainted. She later shared her secret with him and without running away or freaking out as Ally thought he would do, **he actually believed and supported her.** He had a past that he wanted to forget and that's why he tried to stay away from Ally but that didn't happen. They feel hard and fast for each other. **I definitely liked the romance between these two.**

I liked Ally's best friend, she knew all her secrets and was really supportive of her. And I really felt bad for Victoria, she didn't have a way out and was constantly abused. Things got a bit violent towards the end before they finally caught the guy responsible for everything. **I really liked how bravely Ally acted at that time, without thinking about the consequences, she went straight inside the den to save Victoria.**

**The writing was smooth and easy to read. I definitely liked it. The pace was fast and I never felt bored for a second..** Once I got into the story it was hard to keep it down and it didn't take much time for me to finish it.

Overall, the plot was good, the characters had their fair share of faults but they were great nonetheless. The romance was good though I would have loved if the major focus was on finding the guy responsible for abusing Victoria. Other than this factor, I really enjoyed reading this book, it was really good and I specially loved how everything was executed.

### **Recommend it?**

Yes.

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### **Jitendra says**

Note: I got the digital copy of the book for free in return of a fair review of the book. Thanks to the author Amy Reece.

The story of the book is about a girl, Ally, who has super natural power to see past and future of any random person. In one of her such visions she sees a girl being brutally tortured and decides to help her.

The story of the book is OK. But so many chapters are wasted on the love story of Ally and Jack which doesn't fit well in the main story.

Overall the book is OK I will rate it 3/5.

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### **Sharon Mariampillai says**

I received a free copy from the author, in exchange for an honest review.

### **Actual Rating: 4.25**

I thought this was a very good book. I enjoyed it a lot. I found it funny and heartbreaking. I like the writing style that Amy used. I loved the relationship between Jack and Ally. They have perfect chemistry. I thought that Grams and Cassie were hilarious and Tara was awesome too. I thought Amy was able to bring for a great fantasy story with some brutal aspects of abuse. I felt so bad for Veronica because (view spoiler). Thank you for the opportunity, Amy Reece. I will be looking forward to reading more of this series.

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### **Aneesa says**

I received this book in an exchange for an honest review

Ally was a very lovable character, she is a seer or one who is told becoming a powerful seer as she can do many things that are unheard of in the seer community whereas Gramps and her Mother have very mild abilities such as Gramps if she touches something that belongs to someone else she will normally 'sense' something, I didn't really understand her ability whereas Ally's mother can find things that are lost. Ally has very vivid visions but can also see into the future which is unheard of. Soon after she gets these visions, all the drama begins. She needs to help Veronica (who used to be her friend) as she sees her getting physically abused, now the mystery is who?

Jack was a character I liked but I found him confusing with all his mixed signals. You could tell there was electrifying chemistry between him and Ally so why was he holding back? Only through halfway in to the book do you get why. Also, I find it ironic that he was watching Ally throughout the whole year and she never noticed, all because of one incident to things start to take place.

I loved Grams in this story, she was sooo hillarious, made the story worthwhile :)

Overall, not a bad book at all. The ending made me want to read what happens next, I think Grams friend has a ulterior motive. Hm...

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### **Coco.V says**

?FREE on Amazon today (10/19/18)!?

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### **Rae Sontheyon says**

Seek No Further! This Series is Seeringly Great! . . .

This book is a great addition to the Young Adult genre filled with humorous characters, great dialogue, and impactful messages weaved into the plot. The author kept the characters age appropriate but mature, a balance which is hard to do when writing an Y.A. books that can be for more than just teens. I definitely enjoyed the plot flow and concepts in this book, which have definitely hooked me for the next installment.

When Ally Moran is suddenly immersed in a too realistic vision concerning a cheerleader in the middle of her English class. Ally is rescued by Jack Ruiz the quiet bad boy transfer student, who offers to take Ally to the nurse. Ally has known her family comes from a line of gifted females coming from Ireland, but none have ever had such vivid physically tolling visions. Ally now has the issue of trying to decipher these visions she is getting concerning her classmate who appears to be in dire need of help before it's too late. However, after her vision episode in class, Jack is now paying attention to Ally. She's excited that they could become more than friends even with her weird "powers." There's just the whole issue of Jack's delinquent past that may keep Ally and him from being a couple.

Overall, Loved the book and want to read more. The banter and relationships were great, the story is a great paranormal Y.A. book. Ally is strong when it counts and a smart alec teen, who finds she will be a powerful Seer. That's a lot for a 16 yr old to take, so when she has to decipher the visions that are taxing on her, while dealing with normal teen stuff like, does Jack like me or not? It makes for a good read. The author made Ally come to life by being very vocal in her perspective on things letting readers know this and that, especially describing situations and places in the story which were set in Albuquerque, New Mexico. As for Jack what can I say about him other than basically he's perfect, he was bad now he's good and the greatest gentlemen. \*Sigh, I want one. So one of my favorite parts had to be when Ally, a vegetarian, tells Jack she won't kiss him because he's eating menudo, to which he says that's racial discrimination. It was a quirky little moment but showed just how cute they are together. Now on the flip side I loved how the author brought up several situations most don't talk about such as rape and the need to share your emotional experiences. I don't want to spoil too much, but Amy Reece resolves her plot and has Ally sleuth out things in the high school that bring up issues teens can and do face, regrettably. Having the issues mentioned are rough but can be helpful since teens need to be aware of in case it occurs to someone they know or themselves. Now, as a whole if you are looking for a story about a girl trying to stay low key in high school but finds herself with the power to see visions of someones life and hasn't a clue how to help her, all the while trying to figure out her relationship with the new mysterious hot guy who is suddenly speaking to her. Than this book is sure to appease that search.

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### **Pavitra (For The Love of Fictional Worlds) says**

The review was up on For The Love of Fictional Worlds as a part of the blog tour for the series hosted by Indie Sage PR on July 7th!

Ally is having dreams while waking up - only these aren't dreams. They seem to be visions about things that have already happened! This is now playing havoc in her life because while she understands that her family is a little different, she did not expect that "differentness" to be passed on to her!

But those visions bring her something good! They get her closer to Jack - Jack who has a painful and violent past - Jack who is trying to keep his nose clean, and whose plans do not include falling for an underage girl. But fall he does!

I had really high expectations from the book, to be very honest - like 5 stars expectations and it did valiantly try to reach to my expectations. The plot, the mystery and the climax were pretty much on the point but what took the joy out of my experience was Ally herself. She started off as a strong, independent teenager but while she still retained those qualities, she still became quite whiny. She cried at every turn (yes, I understand that the visions were horrible and no, I wouldn't have expected her to get used to it!) but I did expect her to grow a backbone once she knew why it was happening to her.

Jack on the other hand, was adorable and quite frankly Ally's rock! They fell for each other almost instantly (and that for me is just wrong at their age!). While they didn't talk about "being together forever" they did actually fell hard and fast!! But I still believe that this book could have used a chapter or two from Jake's POV!

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The plotline and the writing though were point on! These were the reasons why I still held on, even if I sometimes felt like giving up because of Ally. The twists and the background were interestingly vague - which didn't irritate me, mostly cause I knew that I had the second book in hand!

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### **Abbie says**

(I received a copy from the author, In exchange for an honest review.)

Ally and Jack were both likable characters, and they made a pretty good couple. There was a few times where Ally annoyed me slightly though.

The pacing at the start of this was quite slow, so it took a while to get into the story. The pace did pick up slightly after a while, but there was still a few parts which dragged a little bit for me.

Overall, An okay read.

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## **Miranda (MrsLeif's Two Fangs About It) says**

One of my favorite things about this book was the writing style. Amy's writing flowed really well, and the dialogue was never dull. She did a great job of describing scenarios and characters. I could clearly picture all of the characters in my head. The narrative in this book was funny and enjoyable. Sometimes, the narrative seemed a little repetitive and unnecessary, but I still enjoyed it. The plot moved at a nice pace that kept me interested the entire time. I was also extremely happy that the romance was set at a very natural pace. At first, I felt like Jack's interest in Ally seemed too sudden and random. However, their romance and friendship grew at a very nice pace through the rest of the book.

Some of the plot lines in this book seemed a little cliche in my opinion. For example, Ally got a makeover in the book, and I felt like that was cliche and unnecessary. I was also expecting a more paranormal aspect to this book. The seeker aspect of this book was not explained as well as I was hoping. Also, the whole point of Ally's visions in this book kind of bored me? It bored me in the fact that I was expecting a paranormal twist. I thought it was a very sensitive and real topic that Ally saw in her visions, however, they were just not what I was expecting. I honestly felt like this book was more of a contemporary romance with the random plot of seekers being thrown in there. I still enjoyed this book, but I wish the seeker plot line would have been more prevalent and a little more exciting.

The main character, Ally was quite likable. She was a very kind person who truly cared about everyone. My only complaint with Ally was that she tended to act very immature, which made her annoying at times. I wanted to roll my eyes at some of the things she did and said in the book. The thing about Ally that annoyed me the most was that she cried all the time. I felt like her automatic reaction to everything was to cry. I just wanted to yell at her and tell her to stop crying!

Jack was a wonderful male character! He was sweet, understanding, and funny. I love bad boys, and Jack totally rocked the bad boy with a good heart. He made me swoon so many times in this book. Jack always knew the right thing to say! I definitely want my own Jack! There were some scenes between Jack and Ally that actually made my heart feel like it was melting. I really enjoyed their relationship throughout the entire book.

Overall, I did like this book. I am looking forward to reading the next book!

3 / 5 Fangs

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