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This raw, brutal memoir traces Sanchez's struggle - after 10 harrowing years of senseless killings, initiation beatings and drug deals - to leave the Latin Kings and create a 'normal' life for himself. It isn't easy, and soon enough Sanchez backslides into drugs, sex and violence. This time, however, he does not escape the law and he discovers that life inside prison for a gang member continues much as usual. Yet still, Sanchez questions how he is to fight the motto 'once a King, always a King' and leave gang life behind once and for all. "Once a King Always a King" is a harrowing testament to Sanchez's determination to rebuild his life despite daily temptations, nightmares, regression into violence and his own internal demons. The Latin Kings are an organised crime network that began in a Chicago jail in the 1940s. They now have chapters throughout the USA and are the largest street gang plaguing New York today. Reymundo Sanchez is a pseudonym.

## Once a King, Always a King Details

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## **From Reader Review Once a King, Always a King for online ebook**

### **Jacqueline Herrera says**

It was a very interesting biography of an ex gang banger who goes trough so much

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### **Vasquez32609 says**

amazing

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### **Iliana says**

IF YOU LIKE BOOKS THE ARE GANG RELATED AN THAT HAVE VIOLENCE THIS IS A BOOK YOU SHOULD READ

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### **Adrian says**

I hate this book it's terrible

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### **Uvas says**

i chose this book becase i read the first one and i liked it and i wanted to see how it ends.this book is non fiction memoir. the setting took place in chicago and texas. the main character is older and he stoped doing the gang thing and he's trying to quit doin drugs. He meets this girl and he thinks that there going to last for ever but he it doesnt go the way he plans. they always fight and there anger gets out of control and he hits her. he feels terrible about it so there plans about getting married change. so she moves back to chicago and reymundo goes to florida. the main conflict is he trying to control his anger built inside him. he tries to change and he succeeds and he marries a girl in florida. my opinion in this book is that its a good book because it tells you what people have to go to succeed in life.

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### **Rafael says**

this book was interesting no matter i started reading the second part but it was very interesting

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**Julia says**

can that really happen to one person???

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**Jermaine hope says**

This book is so real and so accurate ! I want to read it again once I'm done! Lol

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**Jon Curtis says**

I really like this book. i read the first one and wanted to see how it ended. this book kinda cough me by surprise when Rey and Marilyn broke up and he moved to Miami and made sure every one thought he was going back to Dallas.. i really love this book and recommend it to every one that really thinks the gang life is the way to go. (it's not)... and for the ladies i would recommend reading "lady Q" its by the same guy but about a lady and how so wants to be part of the gang life.

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**Meg says**

I grabbed this book because I read the first...and wanted to know what happened to the author....after reading the first couple of chapters of this book, I realized, I didn't really care.

This book is SO badly written...and needs to be edited/summarized. He describes everything he does in minute detail....I turned the page and started reading at the top of the page. I read a paragraph and then coughed...after I read two more sentences I started to question whether or not I had Cheeze-Its in the kitchen... ugh. SUMMARIZE.

This book is just as graphic as the last---but less about being in a gang and more about finding your life after having a bad childhood.

I really don't recommend reading this book. If you read the first one...you got the gist.

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**Cristian Badillo says**

I found this book really interesting. So far my favorite book right now. Can't wait to read the next book. The author is now my favorite author.

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**Mickey Mantle says**

This is the book where the author starts his sociological-self psychoanalysis and he loses a lot of empathy.

The author does not wear "Woe is Me" well.

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### **Jshdkjh says**

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### **Humberto says**

i really like this book its the first book I have read. These types of books ill like to read. it has allot of action in it. its a true story about a boy that takes place in the streets of chicago. Good book cant wait to read the second one.

2. Character Overview: Who were you favorite characters? Describe them—what were they like? Did they remind you of someone? Who/how? How are you like them, even in small ways?

Reymundo /sanchez is the main character that talks about his life since he was born until now. Reymundo was involved wit gangs and drugs. was crazy and aggressive.

3. Theme Overview: Choose a theme starter word (love, hate, revenge, friendship, anger, etc.) and tell us what the author is saying about it.

Example: Forgiveness = The author teaches us that sometimes you have to forgive yourself before you can forgive someone else. She shows this through the characters of Danny and Sandy when...

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