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After walking away from a controlling relationship, Taylor Reed is broke, homeless and unemployed. When her brother, Alec, the drummer for Chasing Ruin offers her a job working for Chasing Ruin for the final thirty days of the tour, Taylor jumps at the chance.

Unfortunately, that job entails keeping Cam Donovan, Chasing Ruin's lead guitarist, out of trouble for the remainder of the tour, but Taylor isn't worried. She's smart enough to keep her distance and there's no way she'll let herself be another notch on his bedpost.

Cam Donovan's life hasn't been the same since he ruined his chances with Bre, his childhood sweetheart. With regrets eating at his soul, he fills his life with meaningless one-night stands blurred by alcohol and drugs until Chasing Ruin threatens to kick him out of the band.

When Taylor joins Chasing Ruin on tour, he'll do anything to avoid the mutual attraction simmering between them. He can't afford another the distraction. But as the lines blur, and the days turn into weeks, Cam and Taylor realize their feelings for each other might be too hard to ignore.

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# **From Reader Review Redeeming You for online ebook**

## **Philomena Callan Cheekypee says**

I love a good rockstar story and this was fabulous.

This is Cam and Taylor's story. When Taylor hits rock bottom her brother gives her a lifeline- thirty days of work with the band. She's gotta chaperone Cam- it can't be that hard can it lol

I'm so happy that Cam got his own story as I really disliked him in book one. Great praise to the author for changing my mind about him.

I really recommend these stories. So looking forward to book three.

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## **Doris says**

I really loved this book!! It was nice to see that Cam came out of his "bad boy" phase in one piece and returned to the person that Bre had remembered all thanks to Taylor. The Taylor & Cam story was a very fast read, one that you couldn't put down. Again, Ms. Cardiff did an excellent job telling their story & making you feel a part of it. She had to do good because by the time you got done reading "Before You" you didn't think it would be possible to like Cam at all.

The only bad part about this that I have to wait for the book on Alec to come out yet. Usually I wait until the whole series is written before I begin so that I don't have to wait to follow everyone involved. Before I began these books I didn't think that this would be a problem with this series, but believe me it is!! Hopefully the book on Marcus is soon to follow Alec's!

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## **She Hearts Books says**

Cam is out of control, self medicating with alcohol and women nursing a broken heart. His girlfriend broke it off with him and she is now dating his best friend. Before you feel too sorry for Cam, he cheated and pushed her away. His band mates and his label have given him an ultimatum - clean up by the end of the tour or else. To help him do this his friends have asked Taylor to be his handler and keep him in line. Taylor too is nursing a broken heart. She just got out of a relationship with a very controlling man. Her brother is a member of the band and they are very close. Cam is resistant to her at first and she resents his behavior, and then they get to know each other. They begin a relationship in secret and struggle to trust each other and what they are feeling because of what they have been through in the past. Their chemistry is over the top hot and Cam shows such a sweet side with her. Taylor brings out the best in him. I loved their story and didn't want to reach the end of the book.

I give Redeeming You 4 hearts!

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## **Liz Taylor says**

### **Love it**

I really enjoyed this series of books I hope u write more for this series I enjoyed all the couples

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## **Marsha says**

Redeeming You by Lisa Cardiff is an excellent read. I think Chasing Ruin is my new addiction. I cannot wait for book 3...(Please be Alec). Anyway, the characters in this book are struggling, haunted even, not wanting anything but to get through each day. After Cam's behavior in book 1, I doubted Cardiff's ability to make me care if/when he 'felt better' about himself. But she did it, Big Time! About two or three chapters in, I really wanted Taylor to get her HEA, so I was forced to forgive Cam...right about the time he should have been forgiving himself. It was also terrific to see the interactions between the main characters from book one. Although this could be read as a stand alone, I enjoyed it more as part of the series.

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## **Rosa Sharon (iScream Books Blog) says**

Fire, ice and everything in between...

This is the second book in the Before You Series, and I've gone from addicted to strung out. I can't get enough of these hot Chasing Ruin rockstars. The more I get to know them, the more I love them. That's saying a lot, cuz Cam was at the top of my \$hit list in the last book. The author's ability to convince me otherwise is pretty impressive. She's got mad storytelling skills. I could feel the tension, the anger, the pain, and the love in the pages of this book. And did I mention the high-octane passion between Cam & Tay? It was HOT!!!! I can't wait for more, I'm suffering from withdrawal now.

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## **Heather Duff says**

Thank you to Ink Slinger PR for providing me with a copy in exchange for an honest review

Redeeming You by Lisa Cardiff is an intense journey as a reckless man falls for a damaged woman, can they overcome both their demons and make it work?

Hands Off!! This is what Alec the drummer from Chasing Ruin says to Cam their lead guitarist, Cam has just been told due to his womanising ways he is getting a chaperone for the next 30 days and that chaperone is Alec's ice queen of a sister Taylor, a woman who Cam finds dark and cold. He initially refuses but as a sex tape has come to light and the threat of getting kicked out of the band he reluctantly agrees.

Can he thaw her frostiness especially as he has been warned not to touch her!?

Cam has been kicking himself since he lost his childhood sweetheart due to his philandering ways but he find himself looking at Taylor in a new light. Taylor has had the childhood from hell, her big brother Alec has been her saviour, she jumps at the chance to work for the band for 30 days safe in the knowledge that she

cannot stand Cam and his pretty boy rock star ways.

Redeeming You is an extremely passionate tale as two people look past all their scars from the past and live in the moment, Cam and Taylor have amazing chemistry and you find yourself willing them to get together and stop bitching at each other!

If you like your rock star book boyfriends to make you hot under the collar then you will enjoy this book!

Redeeming You is awarded 4 out of 5

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### **My Secret Book Spot says**

"Redeeming You (Before You #2)" by Lisa Cardiff

5 out of 5 stars (does anyone have any extra stars I could borrow for this one?)

Lisa Cardiff has done the impossible. I thought it didn't get much better than the first book in her Before You series, but she has proven me wrong here! "Redeeming You" is captivating and moving. It will have you on the edge of whatever you're sitting on as she gives you a hard look at what redemption means and the struggle it takes to get there.

A year after the fact, Cam is still reeling over the loss of Bre. His self-destructive ways have made him a ticking time bomb on the verge of exploding and taking his band, Chasing Ruin, down with him. When his bandmates and the music label decide they've had enough, they hire a chaperone to keep an eye on Cam as they finish out their tour. As sparks fly between him and his newly appointed babysitter, Taylor, will Cam take advantage of his second chance and turn his life around or will he finally go too far and lose everything?

I think I'm not alone when I say that the Cam from book one was a complete douchebag. The way he treated Bre was disgusting and I was quite happy to see him get everything he had coming. I honestly didn't believe him capable of change. Now I must bow to the talent that is Cardiff, because she has completely changed my opinion of this character. Cam is lost and lonely and feels completely unworthy of anything good. He sees the mistakes of his past and has spent the last year trying to drown out the regret beating him down. Sadly, all he has succeeded in doing is making himself feel even more like a loser and alienating the only people he really cares about. I loved watching him come to terms with how much he has screwed up. Cardiff did an amazing job of keeping him honest and real and never made his journey toward redemption easy. He struggled and triumphed and through that won my respect. I was totally invested in him and rooting for him to find his happy ending.

Taylor isn't all unicorns and happy thoughts. She's had a hard life and has allowed her past to strip her of all her self-worth. Her brother, Alec (Cam's bandmate), has done his best to protect her but even he can't repair the emotional damage that their childhood has left behind. I love that Cardiff made Taylor just as broken as Cam. She brought her own neurosis to the table and she screwed up just as much as Cam did. She wasn't perfect and he helped heal her as much as she did for him. They were on somewhat equal footing and the road to redemption is one they traveled together. They needed each other and while their chemistry was undeniable, it was their emotional connection that kept me tuned in page after page.

I love to read Cardiff's work. Her writing is seamless and flows effortlessly off the page. I'm sucked in

immediately and can't ever find a good place to put the book down. I love that she continues to fold her secondary characters in nicely and has already set up the next book in the series quite well. I finished the book desperate to read the next one and so bummed that I must wait to do just that. This is a series worth reading. Cardiff is firmly planted on my recommended list and I'm anxious to read more from her.

\*I was given a complimentary copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.\*

Shannon, My Secret Book Spot

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### **Toni says**

"I always loved her. I just never deserved her."

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### **Johnnie-Marie Howard says**

The characters in this story gave me whiplash bad I was going from hate to love in 0.5 seconds just about every page but I loved it. I couldn't have asked for a better story than this one. The cliffhanger really didn't happen. This was a 2 person POV story that was told with emotions and a dark past for at least 1 of the characters( I don't want to give too much away as this is one story that I believe you would love to read).

\*\*\*I received this story for free in exchange for an honest review, see more of my review @ <http://jmhoward2007.blogspot.com> \*\*\*

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### **Danielle from Short and Sassy says**

So I read Redeeming You... I didn't know it was a series. It was fine to read as a standalone... but now I NEED to read all the books in this series. Hot rock stars??? I love it!!

This is book 2 and it centers around Cam, who evidently is a big time jerk. You know the deal. Famous rock star, sleeps with anything. Then a YouTube video is released with him and 2 girls and maybe some drugs. The band decides to give him another chance and hire him a "babysitter" for the rest of the tour. She turns out to be Taylor, the sister of one of Cam's band mates.

There is an instant attraction between the 2 and after some convincing on Taylor's end, Cam finally gives in. See Cam doesn't want to make things worse. He sees sleeping with his band mates sister as a disaster waiting to happen.

The two only agree on sex, but things end up to be more because the two of them spend so much time together. Cam is not used to these feelings, but he likes them. Meanwhile, Taylor has just gotten out of a horrible relationship and isn't willing to give her heart out again.

If you are looking for a great read about rock stars turning into swoon worthy book boyfriends.. Then this is the book for you!

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### **Alexa Nichole Demers says**

Read the full review here!!

*“Cam made love like he played his guitar- passionately, creatively and with swoon worthy attention.”*

The writing in this book flowed really well. There were no awkward WTF places and it definitely kept you entertained.

Two people, who have deep scars, have to learn to get past them to find the forever type of love they both are so desperately looking for.

Can Taylor keep Cam from destroying the band without falling in love herself? Can Cam thaw Taylor out while getting over the girl he thinks he should have been spending his forever with?

Read and find out!

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### **Lustful Literature says**

***\*\* Josie's 4 Star Review \*\****

***\*If you haven't read the first book then please stop right here and go and read it. This will have some spoilers\****

Redeeming You is Camden and Taylor's story. We met Cam in the first book, he was Aubrey's boyfriend. I am going to come out and say it, I hated Cam in the last book and after reading this one, I am still not sure how I feel about him now. Aubrey and Camden grew up together and Cam was Aubrey's everything that is until Cam went to California to pursue his dream of becoming a musician. Camden was cheating on Aubrey the entire time he was in California. He has a sense of entitlement and believes that Aubrey will always be

there so he can have his fun until they got married. That is where we met Jax Carmichael, Cam's friend and a member of Chasing Ruin. He and Aubrey have a deep connection and after all of Cam's lies and betrayals are revealed, Jax and Aubrey have their HEA. This leads us to this book where Cam is left devastated after losing his childhood sweetheart and having to watch her move on.

As I said, the jury is still out on Cam, I do not like his sense of arrogance and entitlement. I wanted to see if he would redeem himself in this book, and to be honest I don't feel like he did. Lisa Cardiff delivers a powerful read, she gives readers a taste of what drugs, alcohol, sex and Rock and Roll is really about. Cam is on a downward spiral, he can't get over losing Aubrey.

***"She is marrying She's marrying Jax. She loves him."***

***"You're right, she does and Jax loves her. More than you ever did."***

***"You don't know sh\*t."***

***"If you really loved her, you would have never touched another woman, not once. You only love the idea of her."***

Cam becomes reckless, a danger to himself, a problem for the record label and a problem for the band. Jax and the record label have no choice but to step in and try to save Cam and the Chasing Ruin after a sex and drug filled video goes viral. Cam is still in denial and does not think there is a problem, and does not NEED help. That is until the record label, gives an ultimatum.

***"You don't care about yourself and apparently, you don't give a sh\*t about the band. Did you even notice you were being taped?"***

***"Maybe, but I was kind of preoccupied at the moment if you didn't notice."***

***"The label is livid. The sex tape is one thing, but the drugs in the background are a game changer. The label wants you to submit to regular drug testing, or we have to hire a chaperone to follow you around.."***

***"What do the guys want me to do?"***



Enter Taylor Reed, she has just gotten of an abusive relationship and has no home or money. Her brother Alec a drummer for Chasing Ruin offers her the job of Nanny to Cam. Tay needs to earn some money and create distance from her past, besides 30 days is nothing? Cam of course does not make things easy for Tay. Like I said he is arrogant and feels a sense of entitlement.

*“He agreed.”*

*“So he’s fine with it?”*

*“Fine wouldn’t be the word I use, but he agreed and that’s all that matters.”*

*“You look fine now. But it looks as though you have a tendency to gain weight in your hips. You might want to limit your late night snack to a salad.”*

*“What’s your problem with me? I didn’t do anything to you? I didn’t create the job. There’s no reason to insult me.”*

*“I would’ve happily peed in a cup for the remainder of the tour, but no, you needed a job, so now I’m stuck with you as my sidekick for a month.”*

For the next 30 days, Tay and Cam develop feelings for one another but knowing Cam is not over Bre and the fact that he does not do relationships, they agree to a no strings kind of relationship. Slowly, Tay begins to work her way into Cam’s heart and he starts to see the difference between his love for Bre and Tay. He tries to fight it but, after just one taste, he was a goner. Cam becomes possessive, dominant and protective of Tay.

*“I just wanted to kiss you tonight before we got on the bus. That’s it. We won’t have much time alone for a while after that. And I’m going to miss touching you, tasting you and exploring every inch of you.”*

*“How many days are on the bus? That’s a long time.”*

*“No, the question is what were you doing?”*

*“Playing black jack like you demanded.”*

*“Wrong. You were letting that guy drool all over you. Five more minutes and he would have had his hand*

*up your shirt. I'm not jealous, but if you go within five feet of him, you'll be responsible for a premature ending to Chasing Ruin's tour."*

*"Tay, that feels amazing, but if don't let me inside you within the next few seconds, I don't think I'll make it to the main attraction."*

*"We wouldn't want that."*

This for me was a quick read, and not filled with a ton of angst. Of course their relationship was not an easy one for Cam and Tay. Tay's past is still trying to control her and she has to deal with Bre still being in Cam's life. For Cam he has to deal with Chasing Ruin accepting Tay in his life as his girlfriend and not just a random girl, and let's not forget about Ana the slurry troll mole from book 1. The Before You series are standalone reads so we do get a HEA for each of the couples along with some bumps and WTF moments. I cannot wait to see what the next book in the series will bring, as I believe it is Alec's story and he is was intense drummer.

FYI Ms. Cardiff I AM STILL TEAM JAX!!!

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## **Kim says**

Cam was a complete jackass in Before You, book 1 in the series. If you haven't read it, don't worry- Redeeming You can be read as a standalone and that will probably allow you to be a little more softhearted toward him.

After the aforementioned behavior caused him to lose his girlfriend Bre to his bandmate Jax, Cam went on a downward spiral of self loathing, drinking and screwing pretty much anything with legs. After one of his female conquests posts an embarrassing video on YouTube, the record label and his bandmates force him to clean it up for the last month of the tour or be kicked out of the band.

Enter Alec's sister Taylor- Cam is pretty sure she hates him and she has always given off a coldhearted vibe when they have met in the past. But the band is all Cam has left that he cares about, so he agrees to accept her as a babysitter for the remaining tour dates.

Taylor had a crappy home life for years, and it only got worse when Alec left to pursue his dreams with Chasing Ruin. When she was able to move out on her own, she found herself trapped in a really bad relationship for several years which only added to her self esteem and self image issues. The cold back-off vibes are her version of armor in hopes of a little self preservation. She has always thought Cam is beyond hot but recognizes that a womanizer like him would be the absolute worst choice of a man to get tangled up with.

As they are forced to be together almost 24-7, things heat up rapidly between them. Cam's better qualities make an appearance and Taylor lets her guard down realizing he will probably end up hurting her in the end but deciding to give him a shot. Before they know it, they are both in way deeper than they ever thought possible in such a short time.

If I have a complaint, it would be that they fell too quickly and Cam's redemption/ turnaround came a little too easily. But it was a good quick and hot rock star read that worked nicely for me after finishing a particularly emotional read right before it and I enjoyed it.

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### **Trader (RedHotBlueReads) says**

3.5 stars

When Taylor takes the job to become Cam's bodyguard, it's a no-brainer that the two of them are going to fall for each other, although I thought she might hold off longer than Cam. But no, they are basically all over each other from the get-go.

There are no real surprises in this. I liked Taylor and Cam though, and did like their love story. Things came to a head at the end, but fizzled out for me with a quick resolution regarding Taylor's ex-lover and her so-called friend.

I didn't realize this was part of a series and this title works nicely as a standalone. If you like rock-star romance, you might like this one. I will be honest and say that I am intrigued enough to read the first book in this series.

So, no new ground here with this story, but it was enjoyable.

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