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When a terrible accident puts Luke into a coma, Lucy is forced to reassess everything she thought she wanted.

Then a woman arrives with a shocking secret that will force Lucy to make the hardest decision of her life.

As compelling and powerful as Jojo Moyes and Liane Moriarty, **PIECES OF YOU** is a heart-rending, haunting and ultimately life-affirming novel about a love tested to its limits.

## **Pieces of You Details**

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**sue says**

Rating this book as a debut novel is not hard at all. Its exceptionally written, thought out well, and although told from different POV and angles its extremely easy to follow.

We have a couple here, seems the idea partnership, perfect marriage, so much so you either feel envious or gag with from the over flowing love of it.

There is one big huge thing that mars their perfection, that is, they are struggling to conceive. As anyone knows whether they have been through this themselves or know of someone, it takes its toll on you emotionally and on your relationship. Lucy hasn't just experience one, not even two miscarriages, she has experience multiple miscarriages and I could only sit here and cry with her.

I found Lucy to be quite strong, quite resilient in a lot of her areas of life. Lucy then finds herself pregnant again, she gets passed that critical stage and feels more hopeful, then something happens that turns Lucy's world upside down.

The voices that you read from other domino characters in this reading material will really pull at your heart strings as well. Lucy's Mom is a very strong noble character and I can see where Lucy gets her strong will from when push comes to shove.

I love reading books that are family, social related.

You do need to hold onto your tissues, not all is doom and gloom along the way, but that doesn't mean everything works out well at the end, you will have to see. But the conclusion of this book is not what you would expect.

**My only downside would be one thing, in the middle of the book it lagged for me and I was getting a bit frustrated, but it was well worth me sticking with it.**

**Brilliant debut novel!**

**I was given this to read by HarperCollins UK, Avon via Net Galley also for a blog tour.**

**I would like to thank both parties.**

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**Debra says**

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Debra's Book Cafe

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## Anaïs says

### 2 out of 5 Stars for a bittersweet and gut-wrenching read

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**WARNING:** Massive spoilers ahead but I will indicate when to stop reading to avoid them!

**Luke and Lucy Harte** are the perfect couple, what people would call “the real thing”. They have been together for 8 years and married for 5, and even their closest friends are jealous of the love they share.

Luke is incredibly romantic, head over heels in love with Lucy and wants nothing more than to give her children. However, the couple has been trying to have a baby for years but to no avail. To add to the tragedy, Luke becomes victim of a severe accident putting him into a coma and Lucy is left to pick up the pieces of her seemingly happy marriage.

My rating for this book would have been 0 Stars if such a rating would exist. The only reason why I am giving this book 2 stars is because I did appreciate the very neat writing. It was very complex, with several different points of view, both 1st and 3rd person and kept jumping from present to past with the help of flashbacks. I also liked the English charm this book exuded and fell in love - and had my heart broken - by the lovely Luke.

However, the reason I hated this book was due to the fact that it was one of the most gut-wrenching, tear-threatening and hopeless reads I’ve read in a while. I read a lot of “happy stories” and I am not afraid of reading books that are not all hearts and flowers, but this one was just too much. There was no morale, nothing to keep you hanging on to despite of all the bad that’s happening, and I’m just wondering *why anyone would actually write something so horrible without an ounce of morale - without it being a lesson learned?* Because all I see in this book is Lucy being torn to pieces bit by bit and there’s nothing she could have done differently to avoid it.

In summary, reading this book brought me nothing but a depressing reminder of how volatile things as love, life and trust are, and that things just happen without a reason or agenda. It didn’t really bring me anything else and that’s what disappointed me. I mean *The Fault In Our Stars* is depressing as hell, but still it is marked with beauty and wise words, which make it understandable and a little easier to bear. But *Pieces of You* is just plain depressing and nothing but the gut-wrenching story of someone who loses everything and who will never be the same again, when there’s nothing she could have done to make it right.

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The question that I’ve asked myself several times when I finished this book - and which still lingers on is...

**Why on earth did Luke need to die? What greater good did it to? What lesson did people learn from it?**

And the answer I come up with is always the same: *There was simply no reason to it. It just happened.* At the

end of the book, the author asks a pertinent (or not really, actually) question: “What would you chose between your husband and a baby?” The thing is, Lucy obviously got neither. She couldn’t get the baby, that was for certain. And even although she understood in the end that she had been putting a lot of pressure on the couple and been too focused on the baby stuff, it wouldn’t have helped to make it better and think about other ways to have a child (like adoption) since Luke *still* died, and it was out of her control.

If the storyline would have been different, I don’t know, let’s say Luke gets drunk because he’s unhappy and then has an accident when he drives - it would make sense because you could say “well if only Lucy had opened her eyes sooner and focused more on her couple etc.” But in this case, there’s absolutely no one to blame, and it just happens like that. As in: here’s your shit hand of cards, deal with it.

In the end, Lucy is left with nothing - no child, no husband, not even good memories of her marriage at is was just a lie (she’s seems to want to forgive Luke in the end, which is understandable but she doesn’t even get to tell him since he dies so this is an additional weight on her chest). All she’s left with is a constant reminder of what happened in the form of her dream, that’s been snatched from her by another woman.

And some things in this book are questionable: **Why were there recent messages on Luke’s phone from Stella when Stella said she hadn’t talked to him since after the night? Why couldn’t Stella - the “other” women - have had an abortion?** After all, she was pictured as a career-driven doctor in training. To me this just doesn’t make sense, especially since she admitted to feeling guilty of having had sex with Luke (practically “forced him” to it - even though I know there is no such thing). Why would she willingly carry around the shame for everyone to see it? You would assume that being a doctor, she would know of abortion (I’d like to point out that whether or not this is or isn’t a good choice is irrelevant to me now).

Last but not least, while I really liked of all the characters (even though I must admit that apart from Nell’s, they were a bit superfluous) **I really had issues warming up to Lucy** apart from feeling extremely sympathetic to what happened to her. But how could I in the first place when the author put her in such a bad light? She met Luke after her studies, when she didn’t know exactly what do to professionally and Luke’s mom offered her a job as a florist - temporarily. Although 8 years later, she’s still working there, and has no ambition whatsoever whereas Luke is out there, working as a paramedic and saving lives. Luke is the epitome of the romantic boyfriend and gives her the most original and sought out gifts while she is not even capable of cooking and admits openly to having no ideas on what to gift her husband. Was this intentional? Did Lucy get so caught up in the baby stuff that she didn’t care about other things such as a job, hobbies, or even her own husband? In this case, I must say that Luke would have left her/cheated on her sooner because there’s nothing quirky there to me, and that’s her character trait he fell in love with.

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**Abbie says**

(I received a copy from Netgalley, in exchange for an honest review.)

Pieces of You was an emotional read.

Lucy was a really strong character.

The poor girl just couldn't catch a break. Going through one miscarriage would be horrible, but to go through as many as she did, and then have to go through all the other bad things that happened to her would be awful. I don't know how she found the strength to get out of bed, let alone do anything else.

The ending to this was really sad, but it was also quite nice.

It wasn't a happy ever after, but it gave me hope that everyone involved could work through everything that happened.

Overall, a good read about a difficult journey.

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## Sheyla ✍️ says

### 3.5

Reading Pieces of You broke my heart a little bit.

The story revolves around a family whom already have experienced the loss of a father.

The main characters are a couple: Lucy and Luke Harte who love each other dearly. Their lives would be perfect if it wasn't for the agonizing misfortune of not being able to carry a pregnancy to term. Lucy has had several miscarriages over the years and they're on their last IVF baby. Just when things seem to be going great for them, a new tragedy occurs.

Luke's sister, Nell is also dealing with her own misery and she'll have to make a tough decision soon.

Luke's mom still misses her husband dearly and her other son who left them and moved to Australia.

My thoughts:

Luke seems to be a great guy but he wasn't perfect. Far from it. I wanted to hate him but I just couldn't. He was so sweet to Lucy. I truly believed he loved her. His attention to details to make Lucy happy were so heartfelt. That's why his betrayal was devastating.

I was happy that Patricia opened her heart again towards her family and her romantic life too.

It was very hard for me to sympathize with Nell. In my eyes she was weak.

I like how the author gave us several characters' POVs. It helped create a better picture in my mind of the family dynamics and how they were all dealing with what life threw at them.

My disappointment is mostly about Lucy. She didn't deserve the things that happened to her. She was a good person with a good heart. I would've loved for the author to have given me a happier Lucy.

The ending to me was not logical. In my mind you can only forgive and forget so much.

*"I love you, Stripes," he said, his hand resting on my hip. 'Like, to pieces.'"*

3.5/5 Fangs

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## **Farah \*Professor Dean's Beauty\* says**

I have a few thoughts....

- 1) too many characters have sides in this book
  - 2) yes I forgive Luke
  - 3) we went through two months of waiting for the recovery and it wasn't a happy ending
  - 4) I don't hate Stella
  - 5) not a bad book
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## **Kim says**

A really special book. You fall in love with the main characters in the first few pages- but then things unfurl and you begin to wonder what will happen next. I read reviews that said that it is best to leap into this book without reading the blurb and I think that's true. It takes you on a real journey where you really care about what the outcome is going to be for them both.

The extended family and friends are well rounded and you can just imagine the relationships with the under the surface tensions they all have. Ade comes back from Australia after an extended break from his entire family. Her friend and her husband tell Lucy how they always held Lucy and Luke up as having the perfect relationship everyone aspires to. Their love shines like a beacon and makes everyone aspire to achieve same.

I would highly recommend this book and thank Harper CollinsUK, Avon and Netgalley for the chance to read and review it.

Also reviewed on Amazon and Good Reads and on my blog Bookworms and shutterbugs  
<http://kims366.blogspot.co.uk/2014/10...>

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## **Tripfiction says**

The trauma of the IVF process... loosely set in Bath, West Country

It takes a bit of work to establish exactly where Harper's novel is set because there is little indication of setting; it could really be anywhere in modern Britain today. This is because Pieces of You focuses almost entirely on the inner world of feelings, something it has in common with other examples of this genre. Most of the novel is written in first person from the perspective of the central character, Lucy, although Harper does give us alternative narrative viewpoints (Nell, Lucy's sister in law and Patricia, her mother in law) which at times makes for a slightly jarring and disconnected reading experience.

At the start of the novel, Lucy is more than happily married to her soulmate Luke, despite the fact their eight-year marriage has been blighted by repeated failed attempts to conceive a child, including their full whack of IVF. The novel, however, begins on a high; Lucy has found herself unexpectedly pregnant without the aid of IVF and is guarding her secret closely, hardly daring to hope that she might actually make it through this time. Unfortunately, from that point it's downhill all the way. Almost inevitably, Lucy begins to

miscarry and while she is dealing with that disaster her beloved husband is involved in a hideous accident that leaves him in a coma. And that's not all, believe me ...

On the positive side, Harper manages to convey with some sensitivity the trauma of the IVF experience, and there are sections of the novel which are pleasing, mostly the flashbacks to happier times, before Lucy and Luke had embarked on their mission to conceive, but the rest of the novel is like overdosing on emotion and that emotion is unremitting misery. I found myself pondering whether Harper actually didn't realise that you need light and shade to make a book work. If you slam a reader with one anguished event after another, the inevitable happens – you get hardened to the pain and you stop caring.

In all honesty, I didn't care all that much about the characters anyway. I found her women supremely irritating. I'd like to hope that there aren't many women around like these – women who let themselves be completely defined by the men in their life. Nell, drawn into an affair with a married creep, Cal, smokes because, according to him, it makes her look like Marilyn Munroe and Lucy obligingly rolls her eyes because Luke tells her she looks alluring doing so. Oh, please.

To be totally fair, Harper does try to add a little bit of hope at the end of the novel – someone must have given her a nudge, but it's a case of too little, too late and it's not really believable anyway.

So, if you have a burning desire to wallow in misery, go ahead, but you've been warned ...

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## **Sarah says**

(Source: I received a digital copy of this book for free on a read-to-review basis. Thanks to HarperCollins UK, Avon NetGalley.)

Lucy and Luke have been trying for a baby for 8 years, and every time they conceive they end up saddened when Lucy miscarries. This time Lucy has made it to 16 weeks though, and they're hoping that things are finally going their way, when suddenly everything goes wrong in the worst possible way.

Can Lucy get over the coming tragedies in her life? And will things ever be the same again?

This was a difficult story about grief, pregnancy, miscarriage, and infidelity.

I liked Lucy and the whole way through this book I felt so sorry for her. She had lost so many babies, and wanted a baby so badly, and every time her dreams were snatched from her. Then to have even more bad luck and grief piled on to her was unbelievably sad.

The storyline in this was pretty sad, Lucy just had bad luck and then more bad luck, and then had the very foundations of her marriage rocked. The poor girl just could not catch a break, and the further into the story the worse things got for her. I have to say that blurb has awful spoilers for this book though, really quite bad!

The ending to this was okay, but it certainly wasn't a classic 'happily ever after' but more of a realistic ending. I have to say that poor Lucy really did go through a lot in the book though, and she really did handle things well, the poor girl had her whole world cave in on her, and somehow came out of things still able to see the good things that came from the bad.

Overall; a difficult story about grief, pregnancy, miscarriage, and infidelity,

7 out of 10



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## Arlene says

*"It's amazing how someone can break your heart, but you still love them with all the little pieces."*

Wow! Incredibly devastating. Not sure if I'll recover from that anytime soon.

It's been almost two weeks since I've read this book and I'm still thinking about it, so I guess it's time I write a review in the hopes that I can finally move on to another book. I don't think my heart has felt this spent and dismantled since *Me Before You*.

Every now and I again, I look for something emotional... something I know will remind me other people have it worse, but there's always hope. So, when I stumble upon little gems such as **Pieces of You** by Ella Harper, I think to myself... Oh my! What Lucy went through... I don't even know...

This book was amazing in small little ways that eventually felt magnanimous. There was nothing extraordinary about it, except for the fact that it felt so real and so non-fictional. I absolutely loved Lucy. She was a protagonist worthy of my emotion and contemplation. To get to know her as she fell in love with Luke and they built a wonderful life together, was a story I wanted a front row ticket to. However, as many love stories prove to be... there is often heartbreak, and theirs came in the form of over eight miscarriages that left them broken but still hopeful for a family.

I don't want to share all of the details, because to experience this story first hand is a privilege, so let me just tell you... there's Luke's family, a great set of friends, a tragic accident, an unexpected pregnancy and an unforgiveable event that just had my heart and emotions all over the place.

Having this story unfold through various perspectives was brilliant, but it also taught me patience. As much as I just wanted to concentrate on Lucy's story, it forced me to consider parallel events that brought on a whole new set of considerations to contemplate.

**Pieces of You** is beautifully written, bold and emotional... Exactly what I was looking for. Loved it!

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## Simona says

\*Book provided by the author on NetGalley in exchange for an honest review\*

I've heard many great things about this book from a lot of my blogger friends and I was really happy when I was accepted for it on NetGalley.

This book is WOW!!! It has left me speechless...

I'm trying to put it in words now.

Their story follows Lucy and her husband Luke. They are married for 5 years now and they have been trying for children ever since... Lucy had a lot of miscarriages already and it really has affected their lives. When

Luke has an accident and it puts him into a coma everything in her loves is turned upside down. It's not only not knowing about his state, but another woman arrives with some "terrible news". It breaks Lucy's heart and makes the whole situation even more complicated.

The story was not only told from Lucy's perspective, but also from her mother-in-law Patricia's side and Luke's sister Nell's side. They both had their own story to share, next to being worried about Luke. I saw these women growing together and forming a bond. They were there for each other in every possible way. Nell and Luke have a brother called Ade, he just left, but now he's back, how is this going to add to the story?!

Dee and Dan Lucy's friends were also always there...

This book is just full of so many deep emotions; I loved reading every part of it. Ella's voice is perfect for it and her writing is just so beautiful, touching and full of charm and warmth.

There were episodes in this book, who took us to the past, making us see how Lucy and Luke met, how he proposed and what they had to go through wanting a baby. It was sweet reading about their past, it gave us a great insight to their love story and I think they have something really special, they are real soulmates. I couldn't believe it, when I read what happened, what he did... Lucy had to go through hell, not knowing the truth about this situation and also not knowing about Luke's coma and his chances.

The book had me in tears, especially towards the end, so keep your tissues ready. A heart-breaking and beautiful book with the perfect title for what's in there.

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## **Lainy says**

Time taken to read - on and off for 4 days

Pages - 418

Blurb from Goodreads

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## **My Review**

Lucy and Luke are the kind of couple everyone looks at with envy, they have that special look for each other, come alive in each others company, the world exists for only them. However the one thing they want to make their life complete is a baby, they have experienced loss, IVF and heartache. Now Lucy is pregnant and just when life should be perfect Luke has a terrible accident, things go from bad to worse and Lucy finds herself going through pain like never before.

Oh this book will pack a punch with readers, more so if you have experienced pregnancy loss, IVF and longing for a baby. The storyline jumps from present to past, Luke and Lucy meeting, their love, their losses and their relationship in general. It is a love story, touched with tragedy, sadness, loss, strength, love and secrets. The story also looks at Luke's family, his estranged brother Abe who left after their father died, his sister Nell who has her own demons & his mother Patricia. As they wait to see what the future holds for Luke they overcome, or try to, the barriers to their relationships with each other.

Whilst this story stayed with me long after I put it down, there were a few things that fell just a wee bit short for me. How it ended, some of the interactions between particular characters and some of the plot directions left me a bit deflated. However, overall it was a good story, I am sure loads of readers will love the things that annoyed me and they always say a good author leaves the reader wanting more! 3/5 for me this time, this was my first dance with this author, I would certainly read her again.

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## **Maxine (Booklover Catlady) says**

Pieces of You is one of those bittersweet novels that can evoke a mixture of feelings and emotions towards the plot and the characters, certainly a book that I think would be great for book club discussion, as each reader no doubt would have different feelings and thoughts after reading it.

### **What is the book about?**

*The perfect marriage.*

*A devastating secret.*

*An impossible choice.*

*Lucy was always sure of one thing – her future with husband and soulmate Luke. But after eight long, heartbreaking years trying to have a baby, that future is crumbling before her eyes.*

*When a terrible accident puts Luke into a coma, Lucy is forced to reassess everything she thought she wanted.*

*Then Stella arrives. A woman Lucy's never met, but with a secret that will change her world forever...*

### **My Review:**

Lucy and Luke seem to have the picture perfect lovey-dovey marriage, the type that can make you jealous, gagging or in awe depending on your own circumstances. Perfect happiness right? Not exactly.

The novel tackles the heartbreak of repeated failed pregnancies and miscarriage, really harrowing for any woman, Lucy is one of those, her and Luke hold on to hope that one day a healthy baby will complete their perfect vision of family and home. It's not an easy road, it's tearing at their hearts and souls.

Aside from Lucy and Luke we meet a circle of other characters through the book, extended family and friends of the couple. The book switches point of view and gives voice to some of these other characters, some being stronger than others. Luke's mother is a strong woman, protective of her children, her family, desperate for a grandchild from Lucy and Luke, I found her one of the more raw, tangible and likeable characters in the book. By the end I wanted to just give her a big hug for all that she does. Exceptional.

By halfway through the book I was finding it lulled a bit, the stories were intertwining, voices were being heard, things were slow but and I have to admit I was struggling to hold on, losing focus at times. I put the book down a few times and came back to it. I am glad I kept going.

**By the last part of the novel, secrets and lies were exposed and I was hooked on to every word. My emotions were tossed around all over the place, I had tears in my eyes at one point, felt indignant and angry the next. I didn't expect the ending, surprising once you looked back and reflected on how the book began.**

It's a book for those that love to read about relationships, family, and have an emotional connection with the characters and their lives. Up to the halfway point this book was a steady 3 star read for me, but the last quarter of the book was so well done it pushed my overall rating up to 4 stars.

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**\*P says**

## **2.5 Torn to Pieces Stars**

Seriously after reading the blurb I probably should not have read the book, but I am not one that has hard limits about cheating in books. As a Molly McAdams fan it would almost seem hypocritical for me to complain about this, or be so hung up on this issue, but with this book it totally bothered me.

Lucy and Luke were the ideal couple. Throughout the book we get flashbacks of their time together. But current time we find that Lucy and Luke are struggling due to infertility issues and recurrent pregnancy loss. I liked that the book was real in the portrayal of this couple's difficulty and struggle. I loved and felt for Lucy throughout the story, and up until part way through the book, I felt for Luke too.

I will apologize now as I will likely ramble. Perhaps it is best for me to point out my issues and what I liked.

Starting positive I loved Lucy as a heroine. Her heartache and her confusion and struggles were very real to me. I know someone just like Lucy and her recurrent losses were so difficult for her and her husband.

I loved the great friends Lucy had in Dre and Dan. They too were a real couple and came across as true friends and the friendship was very real.

I appreciated Luke's mom Patricia and his brother Ade for their change and growth throughout the story.

Now for my issues:

The book changed POV often through this book and though entwined it was as if you were getting four people's stories: Lucy and Luke, Luke's sister, and Luke's mom. As I was more invested in Luke and Lucy's

story, I found myself skimming often over the other chapters. Nell's chapters only made me more infuriated as the story went on so I barely read hers.

Nell and her story totally bothered me. What is worse is that I found Lucy was put in an even more difficult position because of her feelings for Nell.

Luke--he was on the fast track to best book boyfriend/husband but he totally lost it. I could care less how sad he was that he felt he could not make his wife happy and that he was distraught over what they were going through. What he did was inexcusable, in my mind unforgivable and though I hated the ending of the story, I was only devastated because of the effect it had on Lucy. (view spoiler)

Stella--I have no words for this woman. I hate that she winds up being portrayed as someone deserving sympathy at the end. She is a horrible person.

(view spoiler)

So overall, too many things bothered me in the is story. I know we don't always get the happily ever after, but this didn't even come close.

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## **Laura says**

Wowzers. Bittersweet, compelling and utterly heartwrenching. A total blinder.

Engrossing, heart wrenching, bittersweet, compelling, emotional. A must read.

I urge you not to read the blurb before you buy this book – it gives too much of the story away. Just trust me on this one, you need to read this book.

Pieces Of You is a book that you won't be able to put down. It pulls you into the hellish world of Lucy, leaves you hanging on every word and sitting in silence as you take in the events that unfold over the four hundred pages of fantastic prose.

I read this book everywhere, on the train, in the bath, at the dinner table, in bed – everywhere I could read it, I read it. I could not put it down. Every page left me wanting more and as I raced towards the conclusion of the novel my heart started to ache with the realisation I would soon leave the world of these characters.

Harper has created a heart breaker of a novel. The tagline 'What would you do?' holds strong throughout and my heart was torn in two and my loyalties to characters were tested to the limit.

This novel explores a plethora of sensitive issues and whilst I read I felt as though I was part of the story – as though I was going through the same things the protagonist Lucy was going through. The novel is told through three female viewpoints which added beautiful layers to the story and multiple perspectives of the same events which compounded the emotional response I had to the situation.

Harper's writing flows seamlessly from page to page pulling you tightly into the story until you are left completely immersed in the characters world. I cannot wait to see what comes next from Ella's pen.

A striking debut.

