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From Reader Review Torn Apart for online ebook

Alexina Golding says

A compact story of Hero and police proceedings.
Packed story about gangs and turf wars... graphic stat to the book.

First in the series, would read more.

Teresa Collins says

Really enjoyed this story. I felt Hero's frustrations with being hog-tied and unable to adequately fight these gangs. The limitations of British police work came across clearly in this story, especially when compared to the freedom American officers have in fighting crime. The story is well-written, with good action, and a good balance between the protagonist's life at work and home. The ending absolutely came out of left-field; the mark of an excellent author. Very pleased.

Michelle Sibley says

I'm no police officer but I'd imagine if a crime was committed and it was all on CCTV and this was discovered as early on as chapter two I'd guess the police would arrest those individuals, seeing as they knew their names, and the case would be shut. This book can't have been researched. Very poor.

Rob says

Wonderful book. Slight;y unusual story but very well written with a good ending.

Netta Newbound says

Torn Apart is a fast-paced thriller and so exciting, I couldn't turn the pages fast enough. It was very well written and true to life - especially the mentality and behaviour of certain gang members who think they are above the law. I will definitely be reading more from this author.

Kristine Vigil says

Not my cup of tea

I like thrillers and crime novels but I found myself tuning out large portions of this book and having to reread.

Hans says

Hero Nelson and his team are a likeable bunch. His wife supports him in his busy job as a DI. A very intriguing whodunnit. With a surprise at the very end.

Joseph - Relax And Read Reviews says

Having read and enjoyed all the Justice series novels written to date by M A Comley, I had to read 'Torn Apart', the first in her new Hero series. I had the feeling that this was going to be another great read and in fact by the end I was not disappointed.

'Torn Apart' is a fast paced, edge of your seat thriller full of twists and turns that makes you turn the pages at a staggering speed to see what will happen next. The principal characters in this novel are DI Hero Nelson and his partner DS Julie Shaw who at the beginning of the novel are called at the scene of an apparent hit and run incident in which a woman and her young son lose their lives.

As the investigation starts, it becomes clear that this was no accident at all but the deed of a vicious gang. A gang which even the police seem to be scared of and avoid - the baddies in this novel are really bad!

Whilst fighting his personal life demons, Hero, together with his close-knit team of detectives is determined to seek justice for the victims at all costs. However, as the body count increases, this will prove to be easier said than done.

The last quarter of the book is the most intense and I must say that I did not see the clever ending coming. It really caught me by surprise.

I really had a great time reading this novel and I highly recommend it to anyone looking for a well-written, gripping thriller. Now, I can't wait until the author writes the next instalment in the series.

Nicole Kitt says

I received this book for free in return for an honest review, so honest I will be. In the beginning I really did not enjoy this book. Firstly I didn't like the writing and the dialogue seemed forced which annoyed me a lot. Sasikia, although her love for her son was undeniable, made me quite angry the way she didn't fight to protect herself and her son, instead begging them to leave her son alone and letting them have their way with her. This gang clearly, and it became more clear with every page read, is cause for massive fear in the area however I found myself angry that no one stood up to them and tried to help, albeit the one young man who was beaten. Although the more I read the more I understood why no one would stand up to them. I wouldn't either.

When we were first introduced to Hero, I didn't like him. I found him quite arrogant but this quickly changed. Seeing the guilt he felt for taking his family for granted and how he was determined to change himself made me respect him. I loved his sister, Cara. Their relationship was quite special and I would love

to see more of her in future Hero Nelson books.

Delving into the lives of the gang members was quite scary yet extremely fascinating. The members of the Krull gang are some of the most viscous, despicable men I have ever heard about. I was strangely happy when I discovered a vigilante was hunting them (as twisted as that makes me seem!). I also found myself feeling sorry for the members of The Tidy Gang, especially Trevor. I really hoped he was going to make something of himself.

I was completely heartbroken when I found out the killer was Rupert. His life was destroyed and the two things he loved most in the world were brutally ripped from his world. I felt for him throughout the story but I never in a million year suspected him. Even though he murdered four people I couldn't help but feel sorry for him and I hope he can rest in peace.

I went from not enjoying the book in the slightest and wondering how I was going to finishing it to thoroughly enjoying everything about it. I wish there were half starts on Goodreads as I would rather rate it a 3.5 as I feel it does not deserve a 4 but the ending and the twist makes it more than a 3.

Susan Angela Wallace says

Torn apart by mel Comley.

Everyone understands about the no-go districts--areas of the city so overrun with gang violence even the police stay away. In this book, the first in a new series, DI Hero Nelson sets out to combat the issue. When Saskia Hartley and her nine-year-old son are run down outside a restaurant, DI Nelson knows it is no ordinary hit-and-run incident. He's looking at a homicide case... and the evidence points to the brutal Krull Gang. When two prostitutes are murdered, but little interest is given to the women on the Krull's payroll, Nelson connects the dots. DI Nelson has to decide whether he's dealing with a turf war or something far more sinister.

Absolutely fantastic read. Although I didn't like the gang. I wanted them to suffer. I didn't expect that. Wow. Can't wait for next part. Highly recommended. 5*. Thanks mel.

Letsread says

Wasn't sure what i was going to think, always the same when you start a new series. After reading the Justice series, i didn't think Mel's books could get any better.. how wrong was I..

A gripping story line right from the start, with twists and turns along the way, and as for the ending.. welll....I WASNT EXPECTING THAT....

i'm liking Hero all ready, and think he's got lots to look forward to..

fantastic, all i can say is bring on the next one... cant wait...

Lammi Hearne-Sirman says

After finishing the excellent Justice series I couldn't wait to read more from the fantastic Mel Comley. 'Torn Apart' provided me with that very opportunity. And I was not disappointed... If you are not familiar with Mel's work then you are truly missing out. Another five star read from a five star author.

Vicki - I Love Reading says

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Dee Williams says

I loved this first book in the series by Mel. I had already read book 2 but it didn't really matter. As usual, Mel writes a fast paced & gritty story that keeps you on your toes from start to finish. I cannot rate Mels books highly enough

Claire says

Torn apart is shocking from the start with an incident at McDonald's that would make me use the drive thru if I went with just my kids.

Saskia thought she was the luckiest girl in the world. Little did she know a trip to McDonald's would be so horrific. This is just the start...this leads on to more.....

Gang warfare, police investigation impeded by a "helpful" journalist and an unknown party getting involved leads to an addictive read with deaths in gruesome ways. I thought I had the unknown party sorted but no, there was a twist to come!

I've not read any Mel Comley books before but it won't be the last one! Looking forward to reading more of Hero Nelson's investigations.

I received a free copy of this book from THE book club in exchange for my honest review
