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How far would you go to get your children back.....?

A stand alone novel based on high profile child abductions, which have been followed by millions of concerned parents on the news. 5 year old twins are abducted from a tent in the Lake District and the hunt for a dangerous paedophile ring begins. Police procedure follows the premise that 60% of abducted children are murdered within the first four hours of being taken. The first hour is called "The golden hour" and the longer a child is missing, the less chance there is of them being recovered unharmed. The Child Taker follows the desperate search for the missing twins. Packed with action and twists, this is one of the best thriller novels around. Guardian Reviews

SLOW BURN

The second Detective Alec Ramsay novel. A young girl is bullied and abused at school. Her brother is habitually beaten by the same gang for nothing more than being overweight and a different religion. Later in life when their paths cross again, a terrible revenge ensues.

'Tank' is like Jack Reacher on steroids! Guardian Reviews. Crime thriller writing that will have you chewing your fingers as you read! ; Review

## **The Child Taker & Slow Burn Details**

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## **From Reader Review The Child Taker & Slow Burn for online ebook**

### **Nic says**

Never judge a book by it's cover! This was recommended to me otherwise I don't think I would have picked it. Two books for the price of one and both very different stories. Both are suspenseful and really hook you in. Short chapters and each told from a different character's perspective. Violent and descriptively gruesome in parts but it all adds to the scene setting. Recommended. And if I had to choose, I would say the second story had the slight edge for me.

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### **Debbie says**

This was not the sort of book I would normally read, but thought why not. It was very violent and descriptive, but strangely kept me engrossed all the way through both books. I now feel I need to read the other books to follow the characters.

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### **Johanna Bachtel says**

#### **I can't help but love revenge!**

I believe in forgiveness and God's ultimate justice, but a part of me still loves a book where evil is repaid. I enjoyed the bad guys getting paid back. I only gave 4 stars because occasionally I was annoyed by unrealistic timing and situations. A fun read!

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### **Mary K Kohl says**

#### **Two good books**

The Child Taker took a turn I didn't see coming. Slow Burn was my favorite of the two. It kept me reading long past my bedtime.

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### **Natalie Rampling says**

Loved the child taker, very graphic but very gripping. Slow Burn was rather slow at times and I found myself skipping parts.

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## **Judi Scholey says**

### **Couldn't put them down!**

Absolutely addictive. The child taker's ending however did not make total sense based on the characters feelings and emotions, hence the 4 star rating rather, than a 5 star. Slow burn is an amazing revenge thriller with characters that you love, and characters that thou love to hate!

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## **Rayne says**

This review is for Child Taker (I'll get to Slow Burn later)

Surprisingly I really enjoyed this book. It was a roller coaster of emotions and very confronting in parts but it was well written and realistic. The ending left me speechless. I found myself lost in the story, wanting to find out what next and really investing in the outcomes. Just brilliant!

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## **David Savage says**

The Child Taker

I had never heard of British author Conrad Jones before and while I had this book for a while it did take me a long time to actually pick it up and start reading, am I glad I did!

The Child Taker is the story of 2 five year old twins who get abducted to order while camping in the Lake District with their family. Their grandfather is a Major of a top secret Special Forces army unit so brings in his team to find the missing children as him and his team go do things the police can't.

While the family is falling apart and the police not looking in the right direction John "Tank" Tankersley is heading the investigation and follows his own rules that are above what the investigating police force can do and soon discovers an international paedophile ring in operation and has days to stop the children being moved abroad to be sold or something more sinister.

Overall, The Child Taker is an excellent novel that I had trouble putting down. Although it deals with an unpleasant subject matter and at times can be very graphic it has been very well written and is a superb intense, fast paced and very exciting thriller that will keep you gripped right up to the final page.

Full of twists and turns with plenty of action that will keep you turning the page.

I will have to read some more by this author, but if they are all written with the same passion and great storytelling then I am sure I won't be disappointed.

An excellent story that I can highly recommend!

Slow Burn

I love this book, it is explosive in every sense of the word from start to finish.

When a car bomb explodes outside a mosque the police start looking into racially motivated extremist groups

but as Detective Superintendent Alec Ramsey delves deeper into the investigation it soon becomes apparent that it is anything but.

Richard Bernstein is bullied by a group at school and is beaten and stabbed and barely escapes with his life. The same group drug and rape his 14 year old sister which sees her unable to cope with situation after the case is thrown out of court because of her reputation. After his brother and his brother's friend are sent to prison for the murder of one of the men involved this sees the family completely torn apart.

While the life of the Bernstein family is totally destroyed the perpetrators of the attacks get involved in selling drugs, people trafficking and guns and do very well for themselves, earning millions and becoming one of the most feared gangs in the North of England who the police and security services seem unable to do anything about.

After more than a decade of simmering hatred the Bernstein brothers reunited with their friend after his release from prison and plot their revenge.

Overall, Slow Burn is a tale of revenge involving torture, extreme violence and murder and is nothing short of brilliant. I could not put this book down and read it in one sitting.

The book switches between the 1980's to present day with ease, building the backstory of the events leading to why the revenge attacks are taking place.

The characters are really well thought out and are portrayed very well of the page, drawing you in to find out what happens next to them. The characters are very vivid and the violence is very graphic and believable. A great action-packed and compelling story with twists, turns and surprises.

While I did notice a couple of errors that were missed during the proof-reading stage this did not detract from a very-written, absorbing story.

If you love thrillers then this is definitely one to read, I could not put it down!

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### **L Barker says**

I thought The Child Taker was quite interesting as it kept me turning the pages. But there was a lot of blood and guts at times, gratuitous violence and some of the characters weren't well developed and just didn't seem believable.

Towards the end there were too many loose ends for me - I prefer things wrapped up better.

Also a few errors and typos which bugged me. For example twins where one is a boy and one is a girl are not identical!

I've not read Slow Burn yet... maybe one day!

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### **Lynda Lafond says**

## **Good**

Revenge planned and executed over a lifetime. Definitely not for the squeamish--this has plenty of descriptive death, and gore, but the plot is quite good & there are plenty of twists & turns.

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## **Lynda Kelly says**

Didn't like this at all. I found the campfire scene all a bit tawdry and like a cheap porno fantasy and it was so farfetched it bordered on the totally ridiculous. I'd read enough of bottoms being squeezed, thanks very much. I really don't see what it brought to the story at all.

I found it odd someone is told they can't have kids then 2 months on she's pregnant with twins and no questions asked !!

Set in was used when I think setting was actually meant-I had to read it a few times. The author also misuses commas all over the place. Sticks them before conjunctions where they're not supposed to be but then doesn't add them where they should be placed.

Not sure what the 5 star reviewers, of which there were plenty, were reading !! At 6% I'd seen enough.

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## **Pat Welte says**

I loved this book, there is a lot of action and sadness in these two books. I will read more by this author as these books are well-written.

I read these books as two separate books, but cannot review them separately as though the edition is english, but the content appears to be spanish, on The Child Taker.

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## **Sara Holmes says**

Gruesome reading but absolutely unputdownable!

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## **Livia Sbarbaro says**

**Blew me away ..I was thunder struck.**

This story begins with a young couple Hayley and Karl camping in the woods with their young twins along with Karl's brother and his wife. Unbeknown to them someone is watching their every move. That same night when Hayley returns after buying groceries, finding Karl has been distracted by noises in the woods they find their precious twins have been abducted..spirited away by the child taker. Hayley's father a major in the Terrorist Task Force who is working out of the country at the time returns with some of his team to help find the twins. As the storyline develops it delves deeper into the murky world of child trafficking where evil men such as Hajj Achmed rules his empire with terror and has no qualms when it comes to murder. From here the story moves at a speed so fast when the Major sends out the unstoppable Tank and Grace to find the twins by whatever means necessary. On the journey they cross paths with evil incarnate..The child taker, from a broken twisted background has over the years become quite the psychopath.. As the chase continues and

almost reaches its conclusion there are more shocking twists in store.I couldn't put this book down.A massive  
Five stars to Mr.Jones.

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### **Emily Saunders says**

If you can get past all the brain matter being blasted out and intestines cut open for drugs it's an ok book. I  
would have liked more background detail on Tank and to see more of his story.

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