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How easy is it to just give up? To tell yourself this is too hard or that you don't deserve something? Corey is fighting these thoughts everyday. He is young, ambitious, and making terrible decisions that set him back further and further from his dreams.

And as Corey reflects on his life through sporadic pieces of insight, the "Thoughts of a Fractured Soul" comes to life. The story pushes the reader to piece together the fragments of Corey's life and decide who is to blame for his failings.

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Luis says

Realistic fiction revolving around family drama without much insights.

Caroline says

I won this as a First Reads on Goodreads

What a fantastic first novel from Kern Carter!! The way this book is written is so different to the majority of books. It is a very clever story, written as the thoughts of the main character- Corey Thomas aka Ace. His thoughts on his life are random, hence the Title of the book and as the story unfolds you begin to get his life story in fragmented parts but underlying it is the futility of his life and lost opportunities.

What I also liked was a glimpse of a world so different to my own

One criticism - much too short!! I look forward to reading Kerns next book.

Highly Reccomended

Brittany says

I really liked this story. It was a quick read but that is good because it left a lot of room for reflection. I think everyone is able to identify with the character Ace. That feeling of hopelessness, of wanting so much but feeling like it is so unbelievably impossible to obtain. I recommend this book without a doubt. My only qualm is that I felt like I needed more information, I wanted to know what happens next. I feel like I am not ready for the story to be over.

Shellene says

Thoroughly enjoyed it! The writing style is different, fractured, and pulls you into the main characters mind, thoughts and feelings. Also forces you to engage and try to fill in the blanks of his life that are purposely left out. It touched me personally and made me reflect upon my own life and decision making abilities. Also the importance of realizing your own potential. Great for all ages, wish it was longer.

Catia Lopes says

Thank you so much for this book, i really enjoyed it.

Great storyline, really well narrated and the fact that it's non-linear makes it very interesting.

Dimitra says

First of all, I want to thank Goodreads, and Kern Carter for this book that I received as a "first reads" giveaway prize!!!:)

This is my honest review.

When I received this book I was a bit conflicted. I saw the cover and I liked it, it felt weird, I like weird books! :P

When I read the summary I thought that it would be interesting to read it, different, because I am not a huge fan of this kind of stories.

I started reading it and I was confused. But that lasted just a few pages. Then I got to know the characters and the story and it was a great experience!!!

I loved the fact that reading this book felt like reading a diary. It was strange to think about it but as I was reading it it didn't feel that way, somehow.

The story of Ace is very realistic. Ace could be my neighbour. I loved that fact.

In general it was a really good journey! An interesting way of writing, very interesting an unique in my opinion!!! I just give it 4 stars because I wanted a message. I didn't get a clear message after finishing the book and I wanted that.

Well done mr. Carter! Good luck and best wishes!!!

Cheska Ibasan says

This is one of the books that made me feel like I am in the protagonist's shoes. I felt broken and hopeful as I read Corey's story. The familiarity of the plot made it easy for me to understand what the protagonist is going through.

I admire how the author crafted the characters in the story. The characters were not included in the story for the sake of having characters. Each of them has their own significant role in the story. The characters are the kind of people we see in our everyday life. However, there were times that I had difficulty in pulling my impression of the characters. Nevertheless, I still like all the characters (specially Corey, Roberto, and Shae) and their standpoints. I understand why they are who they are even if the story is in first-person narrative.

Corey a.k.a. Ace - is the main protagonist in the story. Corey's dreams were shattered when he found out that he's going to be a father at a young age. Flawed, broken, and strong... I admire Corey's determination to become a better person everyday. Corey is the hero in the story and the author didn't fail to show that.

Roberto - is a good friend who helped Kathy and Corey. Roberto is one of my favorite characters in the story, he's the kind of friend that everyone would like to have. He helped Corey and Kathy without any hesitation. I think without Roberto, Corey and Kathy would be nowhere.

Shae - is a very talented and smart girl. She is the girl that Corey truly loves. I really adore her for accepting Corey even if he's not like her. What I also love about Shae is that she's not an annoying brat as I was expecting at first.

The story is nonlinear. I think that's the reason why the whole thing came out really dramatic and captivating. The writer of the story told me that the grammar "mistakes" are intentional since the protagonist is reflecting in his own voice and in his own words. The mistakes serve as a reminder to us that people do not speak with perfect grammar. I also admire how the author's voice was also audible throughout the whole story... I don't know how Kern Carter did it but I think that is one of the factors that made the story really special.

Thoughts of a Fractured Soul is a compelling masterpiece that will make you think of what to do when life gives you lemons.

An interview with Mr. Kern Carter: