

THE FALL OF IRIS HENLEY

by Jennifer Graham

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



Genre(s):



Contemporary/Realistic



Action/adventure



Science Fiction



Fantasy



Romance



Horror



Mystery



Nonfiction



Historical fiction



Other:

The Fall of Iris Henley follows Iris, a Texas teen whose life collapses after an anonymous post on her school's subreddit accuses her of murdering her boyfriend Rocky and her ex-best friend Lynette. Overnight, Iris becomes the prime suspect, losing her friends, reputation, and future as the police reopen the case. Determined to clear her name, she begins digging into what really happened the night they died. As she uncovers hidden secrets in her town, Iris realizes the truth is far more complicated and dangerous than anyone knew.

This book is incredibly gripping because it blends online harassment, small-town gossip, and real emotional trauma in a way that feels believable. The pacing is fast, with constant twists, red herrings, and shifting suspicions that keep you guessing. Iris is a strong, layered protagonist you feel her fear, frustration, and determination as she fights to reclaim her life. The writing is sharp and tense, and the mystery stays unpredictable without ever feeling confusing.

I would definitely recommend this book to teens who love twisty, character-driven thrillers like *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*. It's perfect for readers who enjoy stories about secrets, unreliable communities, and the way the internet can destroy someone's life with a single post. The book stays suspenseful from start to finish, and the emotional stakes make it even more compelling. Anyone who likes YA mysteries with high tension and strong character arcs will enjoy this one.

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