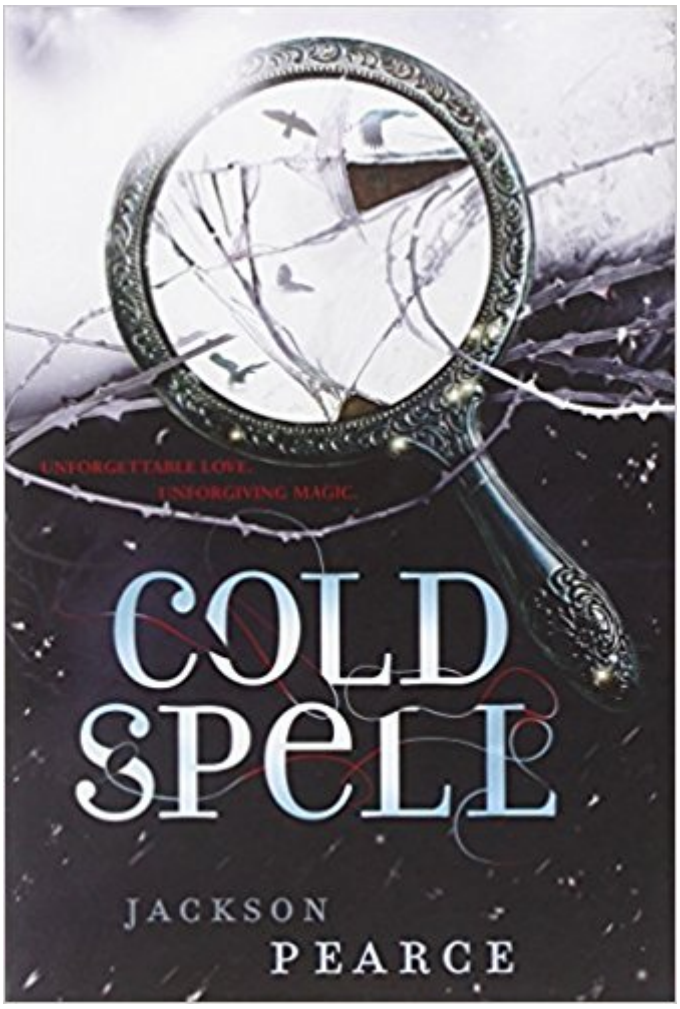
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Synopsis

Kai and Ginny grew up together--best friends since they could toddle around their building's rooftop rose garden. Now they're seventeen, and their relationship has developed into something sweeter, complete with stolen kisses and plans to someday run away together.But one night, Kai disappears with a mysterious stranger named Mora--a beautiful girl with a dark past and a heart of ice. Refusing to be cast aside, Ginny goes after them and is thrust into a world she never imagined, one filled with monsters and thieves and the idea that love is not enough.If Ginny and Kai survive the journey, will she still be the girl he loved--and moreover, will she still be the girl who loved him? Jackson Pearce, author of the acclaimed Sisters Red and Fathomless, has returned with a unique vision of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Snow Queen," one about power and redemption, failure and hope, and the true meaning of strength.

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Customer Reviews

Gr 9 Up-Kai and Ginny have been in love since they were children. They live in a shabby apartment building on the wrong side of Atlanta, and it has been them against the world, forever. As the end of high school approaches, strange events tear Kai from Ginny. A mysterious woman steals him away, but it is not simple infidelity at work. There is an entire supernatural world at play with our own, with werewolves that steal young girls and a Snow Queen who steals young men. Ginny fights to get Kai back, finding allies along the way. While individuals and scenery are described in vivid detail, the

characterizations are weaker. Readers are told about, rather than shown, the teens' all-consuming love. Kai is described as an immensely talented violinist, while Ginny has no special qualities. In fact, a character describes her as not doing anything yet, so potentially she can do everything, which is a nice way to spin a bland, Mary Sue-type character. The pace is fast and the action is almost nonstop, helped along by a deus ex machina of a rich couple who have the talents and connections that Ginny needs, and who form an instant bond with her. If readers are willing to turn a blind eye to some of these issues, they can enjoy the action, the great descriptive language, and the swoony love story, loosely based on Hans Christian Andersen's "Snow Queen."-Geri Diorio, Ridgefield Library, CTÃ Â (c) Copyright 2013. Library Journal. LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

PearceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s fairy-tale retellings continue with this modern take on Hans Christian AndersenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s The Snow Queen, joining her previous updates to AndersenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s tales, beginning with Sisters Red (2010). Ginny has been told to Ã¢â ¬Å“mind the beastsÃ¢â ¬Â• since she was young, but she never believed the warnings. Her best friend, Kai, has slowly but surely become her boyfriend, and the two have grand plans to leave behind their less-than-ideal families to run away together. However, GinnyÃ¢â ¬â„¢s world (and her belief in her own sanity) is shaken when Kai is stolen by the Snow Queen, Mora, who rules over the beasts in hot pursuit of Ginny on her quest to rescue Kai. PearceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s lyrical prose evokes the sweetness of first love and weaves GinnyÃ¢â ¬â„¢s tale into the other stories in the series. As Ginny hunts the Snow Queen, she meets a host of interesting characters and muses on who she can trust and the nature of her relationship with Kai, but underneath it all, she is determined to take the reins of her own life. Grades 8-12. --Stacey Comfort

This book is a wonderful adaptation of The Snow Queen. I really liked how I could match the characters with their fairytale counterpart. Pearce continues to expand the mythology she has created. I loved all the connections to her already existing mythology as well as all the new and interesting things she introduced. I like how we get more details each book.I really liked the main relationship in this book. I loved all their little quirks and how some of those nuances came into play at the conclusion of the book.There were so many unique and interesting characters. I especially liked the chapters from Mora's point of view.This book was an easy and fun read. Some things happen too easy, but it's still an enjoyable read. I think Pearce's books have only gotten better. I liked Fathomless more, but I think that's only because of the subject.I'm waiting for an epic team up

book where all these awesome characters from each Fairy Tale Retelling come together to take on the Fenris. This needs to happen!I hope Pearce continues to reinterpret fairytales into modern stories. I give this book a 4.5/5 and it’s a must read if you’ve read Pearce’s other books. If you like fairytales and haven’t, I’d suggest starting at the beginning though. They are each their own stories, but the experience of reading them as a series is so much better.

I loved this series! I read the books at the library , and I needed them cause I had the first two. love how this one is a twist on the snow Queen, one of my favorite Hans Christian Anderson books! I believe this is the last book in the series. it’s well written, but you need to read all the books in order to understand, I didn’t before I read this one and was last. so glad I went back and read them!

Exactly as described

This is the final book in the series. Narrated by Ginny, Pearce modernizes Hans Christian Andersen’s: "Snow Queen.Unlike other versions, Pearce maintains Andersen’s original symbolism and themes.

This was a fast read. You definitely shouldn’t expect any amazing literary novel but it is really cute. It is interesting story that keeps you going to the next chapter. The characters are well developed enough for you to care about them. If you are looking for a quick, fairy tale-esque teen fiction its a good pick

Jackson Pearce’s fairy tale retellings are some of my favorite books to read. I love how they’re all connected with the Reynolds’ family, and especially liked in this one how Lucas Reynolds was a friend to the main character, not a love interest. I would definitely recommend this book to anyone who loves fantasy and regular fairy tales.

book condition was great !!! I love it so much, the prime order was fast, no bad review or feedback. 100% GREAT JOB !

Jackson Pearces new twist on fairy tales (love her other books as well) is a fun read and I’d recommend them all to the young adult crowd,.... and everyone else..... can’t wait until she decides to do another one.... Her non-fairy tale books are good as well!

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