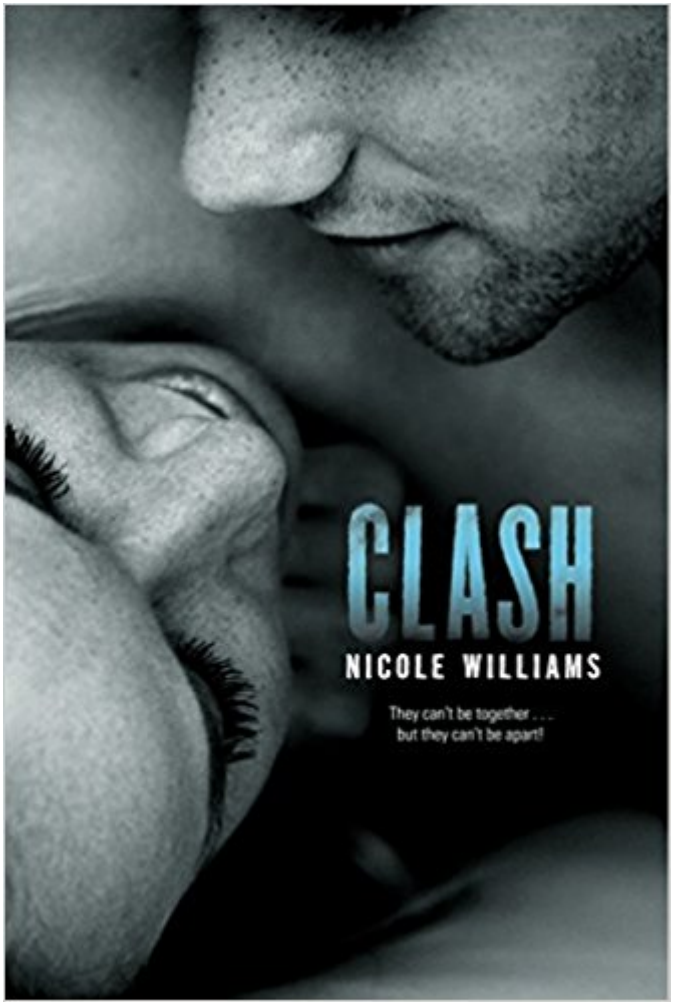
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Synopsis

The second book in the New York Times bestselling Crash trilogy!Their Romeo-and-Juliet-level passion is the only thing Jude and Lucy agree on. That, and fighting all the time . . .Also not helping? Lucy's raging jealousy of the cheerleader who's wormed her way into Jude's life.While trying to hang on to her quintessential bad boy and also training to be the top ballet dancer in her class, Lucy knows something's going to give . . . soon.How can she live without the boy she loves? How can she live with herself if she gives up on her dreams? If Lucy doesn't make the right choice, she could lose everything.

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Customer Reviews

On again, off again. Together. Apart. The only thing Jude and Lucy agree on is their all-consuming love. That, and fighting all the time . . .Especially when it comes to reining in Jude's trigger-touch temper and overcoming the tragedy that connects Jude's and Lucy's pasts. Also not helping? Lucy's raging jealousy of the cheerleader who's attached herself to Jude in almost every way possible. With the stress of trying to hang on to her quintessential bad boy while training to be the top dancer in her class, Lucy knows something's going to give . . . soon.How can she live without the boy she loves? How can she live with herself if she gives up on her dreams? If Lucy doesn't make the right choice, she could lose everything.

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I really liked the first installment... this one, not so much. I fell in love with Jude and Lucy in the first book so was excited for their story to continue. Unfortunately, as much as a piece of me enjoyed reading about their lives after the first book, I am left wondering whether the author should have just stopped with the first book. A plus was that you could still feel the chemistry between them at times. However, it really just fell flat for me overall. Too many of the situations seemed overly contrived, and I think the author could have put a bit more thought into them and the plot over all. The situation with the cheerleader that "gets in the way" is actually just more annoying than anything... and I actually found myself irritated with the author for her lack of research in this department. While I understand what the author was trying to do with the whole "spirit sister" thing, it just didn't make sense and was too unbelievable. This would never happen in a real-life situation. At most schools college cheerleaders are actually discouraged from even fraternizing with the players, much less doing their laundry. Which is just absurd. If would have been munch more believable had it been a "sorority big-sister" or team manager or something. The other thing that irritated me was Lucy's continued treatment of Jude. At times I felt that she really didn't deserve him... I think the author took this line in the plot too far. It was also no longer believable. I also wish that the author would have spent more time on their shared troubled past. This really could have been the major issue rather than the highly contrived, under-researched, and over-played pseudo-issues that seem to plague the couple needlessly. Overall, I'm disappointed because this could have been a great continuation of the story of two characters I fell in love with in book one... but alas, it ended up just falling short. But all the same, I will always love Lucy and Jude.

Whoa! Clash is an emotional rollercoaster from beginning to end, but it is also an absolutely amazing read! Clash will break your heart into itty bitty pieces on numerous occasions, but I promise you that the tough road is worth it in the end. I was an absolute wreck while reading this book and I need to send a special thanks to Magen @ Corrie The Book Crazed Girl for talking me down numerous times and promising me that the pain would be worth it. I believe I was holding her personally responsible for my mental well-being at one point. I also need to thank Momo @ Books Over Boys for understanding my pain and helping me through. Then one last thanks to the wonderful Nicole Williams for holding my virtual hand through it! These guys kept me sane when

this book tore me apart!I'm not going to lie, I kind of hated Lucy for the majority of the book. She is lucky that the ending was worth it; otherwise I would have reached inside the book and broke her point shoes. She was just incredibly indecisive and very hypocritical. I thought that she freaked out more than was necessary towards the end of the book. She created something out of nothing and was only looking at the worst in herself. She goes from never giving up on Jude because he needs her to basically turning her back on him. Thank goodness Mommy was there with some words of wisdom (who would have thought that would happen?). Even though Lucy made me crazy, I still loved this book and I do still like her, she was just frustrating!Jude on the other hand was fabulousness all rolled up in some more fabulousness. He has come oh so very far since Crash and he really is near perfect in this one. He is still his crazy Jude self, but he is not nearly as much trouble as he once was. He has some absolutely amazing speeches in Clash that will make any girl swoon. I think all guys should be required to read this book and take a few pointers from Jude (they can leave out the crazy moments). I cannot even fully describe Jude in this one because I have a hard time finding the right words. (Want more Jude? Go check out my characterMy favorite part of Clash was the beginning portion of the book. This was what I refer to as the happy portion, the part where Jude and Lucy are happy and together and an adorable couple. AKA, the part before the floor falls out. I loved all the happy and steamy moments that took place during this happy time. But then everything went downhill and my mental health was threatened. Thankfully I grabbed onto the rope when the floor fell out.The only thing I can complain about, and I don't really think complain is the right word, but I can't think of another one. I would have liked to see more of the secondary characters. In the short time we see them, I became really attached to them (probably cause Nicole is awesome like that), so I really would have liked to see more of them as the story wrapped up. See, not really a complaint, more like a "I liked them so much, I wanted more."Clash has a great plotline and like I have said numerous times, it kills! The events may not necessarily surprise you, but they will devastate you anyway. Some I could predict and others took me completely by surprise. Either way I enjoyed the rollercoaster ride that is Jude and Lucy's story. The writing is fabulous and it is very easy to get lost in this whirlwind. The ending to Clash is so fabulous that it makes every heart wrenching moment absolutely worth it. So if you read this book, do not fret, I promise you it gets better. It is worth it.Clash is a book that will consume you from beginning to end. Crash fans do not be like me and wait to read this book. Read it as soon as you possibly can. Also, I need Crush right now. So here is me waiting impatiently.

I have really enjoyed this series so far. This is sexy bad boy meets good girl and finds redemption.

Lots of angst. I really felt like I was in the novel which is what I look for in a book.I probably would have given this book a 4.5 stars if possible because of a few parts in the book I found unrealistic. I just laughed at these parts and recognized that this is all made up anyway so why not write it however you want.SPOILER ALERT----------The scenes that were a little silly to me were when Jude was recruited right out of the stands to come play quarterback at the Friday night game. He singlehandedly brings the team back from a 20 plus point loss.He steals a car and a host of other crimes but never goes to prison.He has a concussion and is in a medically induced coma. He wakes up one hour later and has sex with Lucy on the hospital bed WITH A CONCUSSION! She wants to hash the whole relationship out as soon as he wakes regardless of the fact people with concussions are not supposed to read, watch tv etc. It also has Beautiful Disaster and Twilight elements. Didn't bother me as I love both of those books...getting them all in one was a bonus with a new spin.All of that aside, it was well written and sweet. I totally could look over these few unrealistic scenes and enjoy it for what it is.....mushy, fantasy fiction...heartwarming, funny and at times sad.I would read it again.

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