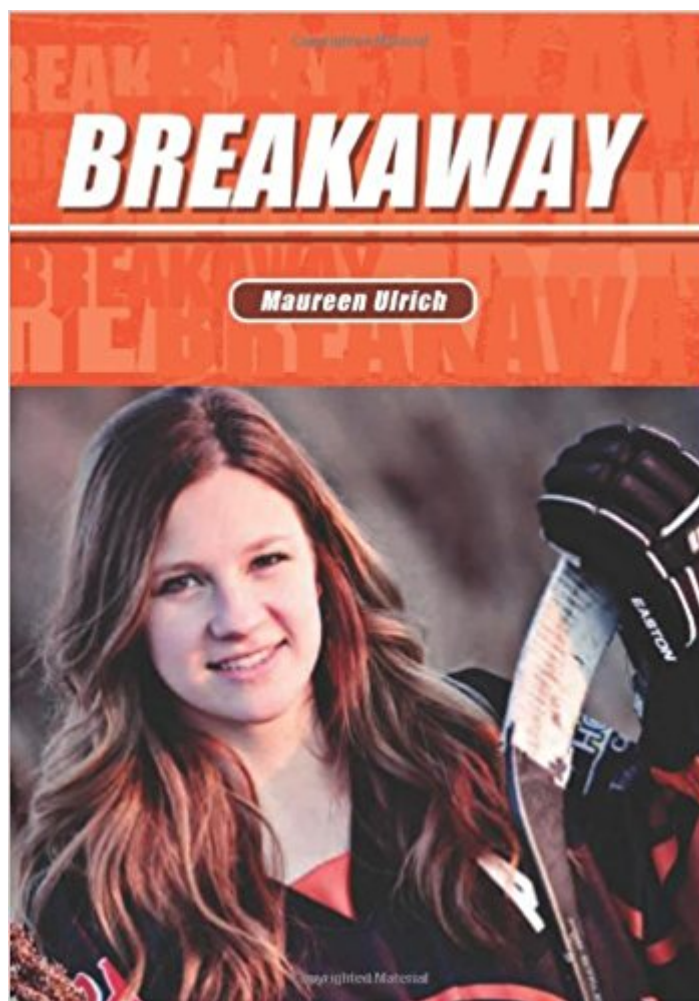


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Breakaway (Jessie Mac)



Synopsis

In her last year of high school, Jessie is finally playing AAA, the highest level of minor hockey. She's been made captain, and she's putting relationship disasters behind her by dating sensible Evan. So what if he's safely away at university where she can ignore his calls and texts? And so what if her old-news feelings about old flame Mark, and uncomfortable new feelings toward new guy Liam, refuse to be ignored? At last, Jessie really has things worked out. Even when guys and booze make an appearance at a team sleepover, Jessie does the right thing and leaves with the rookiesâ or tries to. A clumsy fall down stairs, though, leads the coaches to assume she's the culprit. Suddenly Jessie is fighting rumors that she was falling-down drunk at a hockey party, rumors her less-supportive teammates are happy to keep alive. Meanwhile, Jessie's eleven-year-old sister Courtney falls in with sophisticated older friends, and their parents seem oblivious to the problem. New Year approaches, bringing an important tournament, increasingly outlandish behavior from Courtney and what looks like a head-on relationship collision from three directions. It's time for Jessie to grow up, step up and fix things once and for all.

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I loved the consistency in all three books especially with Jessie. Also loved how you kept things hanging till the end with her relationship status with mark. Jessie became a good role model and I believe kids this age need to read more books like this that they can relate to. Maureen did her research and with her middle years teaching experience and having two daughters in hockey she knew exactly what she was talking about when she wrote this trilogy.

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