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Infamous: Chronicles Of Nick



Synopsis

The world has fallen in love with Nick Gautier and the Dark-Hunters. Now Nick's saga continues in the next eagerly anticipated volume...Go to school. Get good grades. Stay out of trouble. That's the mandate for most kids. But Nick Gautier isn't the average teenager. He's a boy with a destiny not even he fully understands. And his first mandate is to stay alive while everyone, even his own father, tries to kill him. He's learned to annihilate zombies and raise the dead, divination and clairvoyance, so why is learning to drive and keep a girlfriend so dang hard? But that isn't the primary skill he has to master. Survival is. And in order to survive, his next lesson makes all the others pale in comparison. He is on the brink of becoming either the greatest hero mankind has ever known. Or he'll be the one who ends the world. With enemies new and old gathering forces, he will have to call on every part of himself to fight or he'll lose everyone he cares about. Even himself. Infamous is the third book in Sherrilyn Kenyon's Chronicles of Nick.

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Praise for the Chronicles of Nick ["The best book in Sherrilyn Kenyon's Chronicles of Nick so far."](#) ["Arched Doorway on Instinct"](#) ["It does not matter if you are](#)

male or female – Anyone from the ages of teen to adult would love this story. ..Tales by Sherrilyn Kenyon are major awesomeness! – Huntress Reviews on Instinct – “Kenyon writes for a mixed audience to great success, easily maintaining the excitement, intrigue, and humor of a series that appeals to guys and girls alike. – Booklist on Illusion – “A terrific action-packed fantasy. – Midwest Book Review on Illusion – “I don’t know how many more ways I can gush over Nick but as long as the books keep coming, I’ll keep thinking them up. – Paranormal Haven on Illusion – “Kenyon keeps the supernatural action careening along. – Booklist on Infinity

In the past three years, New York Times bestselling author SHERRILYN KENYON has claimed the #1 spot sixteen times. This extraordinary bestseller continues to top every genre she writes. With more than 25 million copies of her books in print in more than one hundred countries, her current series include The Dark-Hunters, The League, Chronicles of Nick, and Belador.

NOTE MY REVIEWS OFTEN CONTAIN SPOILERS Nick thought he had it bad when Zombies and Teachers were trying to kill him, but he’s faced nothing as bad as what he faces now. Someone at school is making up lies about other students, tearing the student body apart and blaming Nick for giving them the information when he didn’t. If that wasn’t bad enough Adarian has decided Nick’s been on this earth long enough and has decided to kill him. Only the Malachi can kill another Malachi and Nick’s too young to have half the power his father does. If he embraces evil to gain the power he needs to defeat his father then his girlfriend is honor bound to kill him. It seems like no matter where he turns he can’t win. Will Nick find the power to survive both attacks from his peers and attacks from his worst enemy - his own father? This is one of those books where I kind of know I’m not being fair with my rating so I’m admitting it outright. The ending pissed me off because how can she end it like that and then make me wait a year to find out what happens next?! This is by far my favorite book so far released in the Chronicles of Nick series. The emotion pulled out by this book is unbelievable. I mean there were points when I sat there thinking how in the world does Nick love his mom so much when she’s so horrible to him and I felt just awful for Nick. When Nick talked back to her and told her how he really felt in the scene at Sanctuary, I swear my eyes were watering a bit. It wasn’t tears because I don’t do tears and admit to them, but I’m sure something got stuck in my eye during that scene. It was heart wrenching. The speech Nick gives to Brynna when Brynna’s on the verge of suicide, the one that just speaks to you and makes you remember that teen inside of

you that thought the whole world was out to get you even when they weren't. One of the things I love most about this book is it approaches a very real problem in society especially among teens. According to [...] suicide is the third leading cause of death in people between the ages of 15 and 24 and the fourth leading cause of death in children ages 10 to 14. Kenyon takes this harsh reality into her book and tackles it head on. Yes there are a lot of Hallmark card speeches and conversations in the book and at points its very touchy feeling, but the story also serves as a reminder. It reminds you that every single person in the world feels some sort of pain, the only difference is how well they hide it. Kenyon reminds readers that every life is important and no matter how isolated you are your life touches someone and someone will be in as much if not more pain than you are should you take your life from them. If it weren't for the ending that made me mad, this would have so been a five star book. I've read a lot of Sherrilyn Kenyon's novels. I've got two full shelves of just her novels in hardcover in my personal library (which by the way is never up to date on Goodreads) of all those books I'd have to say this one is my favorite. Not only does she deliver and action packed, emotionally wrenching, well written close third person novel, she delivers an important message to teen readers. Like *Invincible* this picks up in the same scene that the previous book left off in. What you don't realize at the end of *Invincible* is that almost a year has passed between the last chapter in that novel and the epilogue. Kody has been Nick's girlfriend for a year now. The story is fast paced and filled with action and pain. Nick finds himself in the hospital twice and in four different realms if you count our world as one of them. He meets more characters from the Dark Hunter series and other characters as well. She also put another little interesting twist in that might or might not be another love triangle. At one point Brynna shouts that the one person in the world she loves, loves somebody else and I can't help but wonder considering how she's always been nice to Nick if Nick isn't that person. Now it doesn't say that in the novel, I mean the shouting occurs but it doesn't actually say who Brynna loves. I can't help but wonder if this is a plot line we'll see in future novels because Nick definitely cares about Brynna as a friend, and he'd never want to hurt her, but he's in love with Kody. So that would definitely tear Nick up if he learned Brynna loved him. So I'm dying to find out if it really is Nick or if it's someone else. You really can't help but feel bad for Nick and love his character all the more in this story. He's bending over backwards and jumping through hoops to protect everyone else and make them happy but boy I've never seen a character get kicked in the teeth so much. The only person Kenyon might be crueler too is poor Bubba losing his best friend, his wife and his child. I have to wonder if Kenyon isn't a little sadistic with the amount of pain she brings into her characters lives. Okay there is one other character she really did a number on, but his pains aren't really a part of the Chronicles of Nick series, Ash is kind of just a background

character here, his story in the Dark Hunter series is a whole new form of wow. I do believe Infamous surpasses even that, it's definitely a close race between the two for best Sherrilyn Kenyon novel. The plot of this book is excellent, there's not a slow moment, either the characters are being ripped to shred emotionally or they're fighting for their lives. It's one of those books you can't put down and it seems to be over before it starts even if it is over 400 pages. Those pages fly by so fast, you don't even realize you've read so many before you've reached the end. The character development in this novel is phenomenal. Nick gains an entirely new depth and experiences a lot of character growth in this book. Kody and Caleb have the same depth to them that Nick has persistently had throughout the novels. We gain insight into each of the reoccurring series characters and are introduced to even more. Many of those characters are part of the Dark Hunter series so readers of that series will already know a decent amount about them, but their introduction in this series presents them as well developed and distinctive characters. Oddly I love the new side to Artemis we are introduced to in this novel. In the Dark Hunter series Artemis is the character who's supposed to be on the good side that everyone loves to hate. In this one, though I'm suspicious of her motives because of the other Kenyon series, she's presented as almost a benevolent being. I think each of our main three characters - Kody, Caleb and Nick grows quite a bit in this novel and each of the secondary characters become very fleshy through the course of this novel that brings out each of their deepest darkest pains and slashes them all over school. We see a side to Nick's mom that he doesn't acknowledge and we also see her grow as a character when she realizes her wishes might have put her son in danger. One of the characters we really got to explore in this novel was Adarian, Nick's father. Now that's a whole new form of evil I want no part of, he makes Stryker from the Dark Hunter series look like the Pillsbury doughboy. Beyond the amazing plot, the message sent by this novel, the characters are what make this novel shine. Overall if you can't tell from my gushing, this isn't a novel to be missed. It's one of those books that every teen should read and you can't walk away from or put down. If you read only one book this year I'd say read this one. Highly recommended.

I love these books and having them on my Kindle lets me read them over and over. Infamous has non stop action that caused a roller coaster of emotions for Nick and his crew. In this book Nick starts not only to accept his growing Malachi powers but also chooses to change his fate. His father and all the Malachi before him were conceived in violence to do violence. Nick decides that even if he was conceived in violence (thanks to his father) he has been nurtured in love (thanks to his mother) so he will fight violence and fight for justice. Here Adarian Malachi also finds out he has an older son

with a dream goddess. This changes his plans also. Now he not only wants to drain Nick's powers but his older son's as well. He thinks with the powers of 3 Malachi and 2 god's he will be invincible. During all this Nick, Caleb and Kody have a new mystery to solve in school. Someone has made a site on the internet that lists student's worst secrets. This site not only tells viscous gossip but has pages with embarrassing photos and even a list of the supposed snitches. That can't be enough for Nick to deal with... so he is beat into a coma by a student who thinks Nick snitched on him, is taken to the underworld and almost claimed by Noir, kidnapped and almost killed by his father, has to give Artemis blood to save Kody's life and after all that gets arrested in front of his school for rape and theft.

Although total fiction and not necessarily serious in nature, I found this book to touch on some pretty serious "life lesson" kind of important issues. Below I am sharing my favorite life lessons from this book and the quotes I loved the most about them from the book. The quotes are spoiler free.

#1 - Family is important. But what exactly does 'family' mean and who is your family? Favorite quotes from the book about this: "...family was something you chose to have. It was the people you loved that loved you back - those you could call in the middle of the night who would rush to your side without complaint." "...it was about family. Those you were born to, those born to you, and those you let into your heart."

#2 - Gossiping helps no one, and in fact makes you look ignorant when spreading it. Favorite quotes from the book about this: "...great minds discuss great ideas. Average minds discuss events. Small minds discuss people. And life's too short to worry about what other people do or don't do. Tend your own backyard, not theirs, because yours is the one you have to live in."

#3 - We need to work to earn a living and provide for our families. As a sidebar, it's equally important to not be a slave to others through debt. Our own country has a motto of "I want it and I want it now", thus keeping in business all of the creditors who rake in the money that most of us don't really have to give them. Favorite quote from the book about this: "What you had, you earned, or did without until you could afford it."

#4 - This book just deals with life in general. Favorite quotes from the book about this: "Life is about making decisions, Nick. Large and small. Every day and with every breath we take." Love, life, death, family, work ethic, and many more topics are discussed in this book. I enjoyed that side of it very much. Keeping in mind that the main character, Nick, is only 15 and as such at times acts like a 15 year old, he is also trying to figure out who he is and if he wants to become more than what he was made to be. Every decision he makes brings him either one step closer to the being he was created to be, or farther away towards who he wants to become.

Final Rating - 3.5 stars

Lastly my favorite quote from the entire book - which I love because

it goes along with my own thoughts surrounding the title of my blog:"One word can give someone the strength they needed at that moment or it can shred them down to nothing."

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