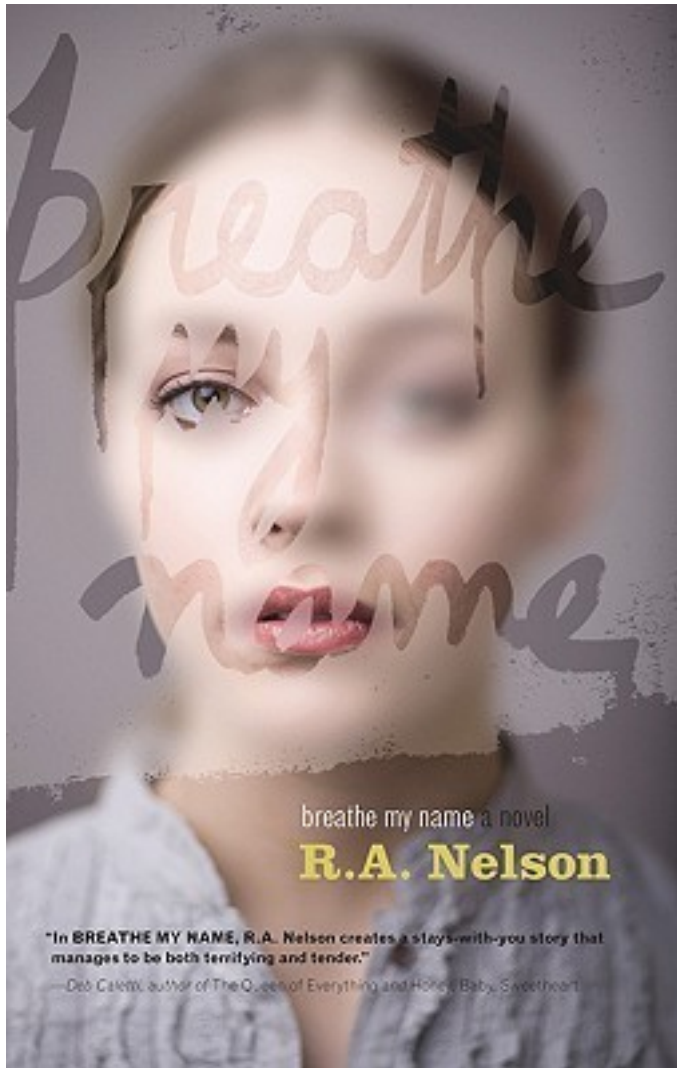

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Breathe My Name



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Description

I need to see you.

Please come right away.

We have to finish.

Frances Robinson is in high school now. She lives a quiet, suburban life, far from her horrifying past. When she was a child, her birth mother smothered her three sisters. Through pure luck, Frances survived. Now her mother has just been released from prison . . . and she wants to see Frances.

A new boy at school called Nix charms Frances. Together, Nix and Frances embark on a clandestine journey to visit Frances' mother: to confront the monster in its lair. This trip will help Frances at last find peace--or die trying. But no matter what, Frances will discover just what it means to finish.

Insightful reviews

Ricardo Lombera: R.A. Nelson's 'Breathe My Name' is about a sixteen-year-old girl named Frances who had to rebuild her life after her mother killed her sisters, Tan, Ninny, and Suddle at a small Tennessee town her mother called Fireless. When they lived in 'Fireless', her mother named her sisters and herself Fireless names. Until her mother's homicidal actions, they all lived in a peaceful, made-up world where everything had joy at every corner. After the death of her sisters, Frances, or Shine, was adopted and hoped to forget it all, but everything changes when Frances' attorney brings her a letter from her mother asking to finish what she started. 'Breathe My Name' is a book that strikes the heart with terror and a little love on the way. Horror and romance are my favorite two genres so this book was a two-thumbs-up. The story of what family truly is and what forgiving someone actually means. I was up all night reading it and I couldn't fall asleep. Nelson wasn't afraid to put more than enough details to fear in your mind. The ending gave me peace and if this book was part of a series, I would definitely read it.

Kiara: The book *Breathe My Name*, by R.A. Nelson, is a very intriguing book that is perfect for people who enjoy thrillers and realistic fiction. The story is haunting, but incredibly interesting. This book explores the dark past of the main character, Frances, and follows her journey as she ends what begun so long ago. Throughout the book, Frances goes through the struggles of revisiting the past as she attempts to find her mentally ill birth mother. The ending of this book is, personally, one of my favorite endings that I've ever read. The very last chapter is easily the best ending for a book as mysterious as this one. I greatly enjoyed the way the chapters went back and forth between her past and her present; the constant revisiting of her past lead me to wonder why it was important to the present and future of the main character. All in all, I thought this was a great book. A little slow at first but definitely worth the read.

Erica: It was great until the end when it became awful.

Much of the current YA fiction seems to be depressing and morbid and while this book certainly fits both those descriptions, it is also well-written and hopeful.

I enjoyed the subtlety in which Frances releases herself from her emotional prison; smothering is an underlying topic not only because of the past she shares with her mother and dead sisters, but because of her smothering adoptive family and the way she smothers her own emotions. It was very easy for me to feel Frances' growth as she breaks free of her past, her present and herself.

The trip she takes to confront her mother, her father, her memories, is poignant and memorable and while some of the scenes between her and her hero/savior/love-interest are a bit contrived, they are not unbelievable. The three main teens are interesting and play well off each other. For most of the novel, Frances doesn't display much personality, nor does she seem very self-aware. Her best friend is the opposite and serves to show strength and confidence, as does the mysterious new boy who helps her save herself. These supporting characters serve to highlight just how shut-off and shut-down Frances is, how she has smothered everything about herself. I was really taken with the book up until the end. Once Frances makes it to the safe-house where her mother is being kept, however, I felt the book became something like a screenplay for an episode of Scooby-Doo; the appearance of a nefarious villain, who wouldn't have been out of place in saying, "And it would have worked, too, had it not been for you meddling child!", bordered on the ridiculous. The book could have ended in the mental ward and that would have made sense, ending on a note of hope, love and redemption, but it seems the author wanted Frances to have a little more closure. I found that closure to be super-quick and unbelievable; people just don't get to tie up deep emotional problems so neatly or with the support of the volunteer fire department. I was horribly disappointed in the end and felt that I had been let down. Frances had been created as a real-feeling persona only to have that taken away so she could become a caricature for all abused children who have successfully healed themselves and entered healthy adulthood.

Regardless, the book is still worth reading. Not only does it satisfy the horrified voyeur of the tragic and senseless, but it offers hope that even the worst cases can have healthy outcomes.

Evelyn: Readable but...I didn't like it. The start was once promising, yet once Nix was once brought issues began to disintegrate. Fortunately the romance used to be hooked up to different issues - fear, and belief - yet Nix used to be now not a plausible character. I used to be half-expecting him to show out to be undesirable news. The simplest buddy annoyed me as well. The most character, too. In fact, there have been totally no characters I rather liked. Anyway. As different reviewers have said, (view spoiler)[Carruthers being the villain got here out of nowhere and used to be poorly explained. The writing within the Fireless sections was once larger than that of the current storyline. yet there has been one passage I assumed used to be excellent: "She is a spider. that is what she has become. probably that is what she regularly was. simply none folks knew, simply because she stored it hidden. and during everything...really she was once a spider beneath everything, simply itching to damage free. and each evening the stiff little spidery hairs have been coming to the surface, and he or she needed to be cautious to pluck them off every one morning in order that nobody might suspect she used to be fairly a spider. ... We did not understand someone can be a spider. We did not comprehend that during the center of the evening she could move slowly out of her mattress and get down on her palms and feet and climb up the wall and scuttle around the ceiling simply to preserve in practice, simply because she knew she will be remodeled right into a spider back soon."Not spoiler-tagged simply because it really is in bankruptcy one. That passage looked as if it would set the tone - intensely mental and disturbing. Unfortunately, a lot of the remainder of the ebook didn't dwell

up. (hide spoiler)]["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>["br"]>

MaryAnn Harlan: I don't usually learn for plot. I take pleasure in an exceptional tale but when the voice of the characters doesn't capture me, or doesn't sound real I don't often continue reading. And *Breathe My identify* is an excellent instance of why that is. Frances has a secret, a mystery identify and a mystery prior and it's all approximately to meet up with her. Sounds beautiful solid right? It was once - I loved the story, the adventure she takes. Except. other than from time to time the conversation rang false, even her inner discussion and it is going to jar me into pondering "Now what's wrong with that line?" sometimes whilst I learn ARCs error will do this and that i forgive that of course, yet this used to be greater than that. since it occurred a lot, it used to be the voice the nature used, and whatever approximately it didn't ring true. IT used to be just like the distinction among how humans talk, and examining dialog. Nelson's conversation was once just a little off to me. yet . . . I nonetheless comprehensive the story. i used to be adequate to maintain analyzing - which, you know, says anything concerning the power of the plot so i'm pondering it will likely be an excellent learn for a few people, and others probably now not so much.OK Plot: whatever negative occurred to Frances while she used to be a bit girl, and her mom used to be responsible. Now her mom is out of the psychiatric facility the place she has been given that she was once came across now not responsible because of Insanity, and he or she desires to see Frances. yet her overprotective mom and dad won't permit her, so she runs away along with her boyfriend (the first one) to discover her mother, and that i wager closure, yet there's much more that she finds.

Celia Powell: I picked this up off the YA cabinets on the library as a result of disguise (I love the name written in condensation), after which due to the "my mom killed all my siblings aside from me and she's now in a psychological hospital" storyline. simply because i locate these information tales approximately moms who kill their young ones horrifically fascinating.*Breathe My identify* wasn't undesirable - whilst her mother's published from criminal and leaves her a mysterious message, Frances and the recent man at her school, Nix, head off to discover her. The finishing is reasonably unbelievable, yet I rather beloved Frances, her fearful followed family, and her thoughts of her mother's insanity. [It's by no means rather transparent what is wrong along with her mom - the start of her young children and her isolation is mentioned, implying post-natal depression, yet she additionally says voices communicate to her. So, i go with madness as a pleasant basic term.]

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