

LoveReading Reader reviews of There Will Be Lies by Nick Lake

Below are the complete reviews, written by LoveReading members.

Amelia White, age 15

This is an AMAZING BOOK, I could not put it down I loved reading this and would really recommend it to people who have read Lake's other books.

I really enjoyed reading this book I couldn't put it down, I really enjoyed it. After reading Lake's other books I was excited to be able to read this one and it was brilliant. It's a story about a young girl called Shelby and her whole life is a lie. Who is her mum really? When she sleeps she's in a total new world trying to complete a quest, but when she wakes up she has to complete a quest in her own world, a quest to find the truth.

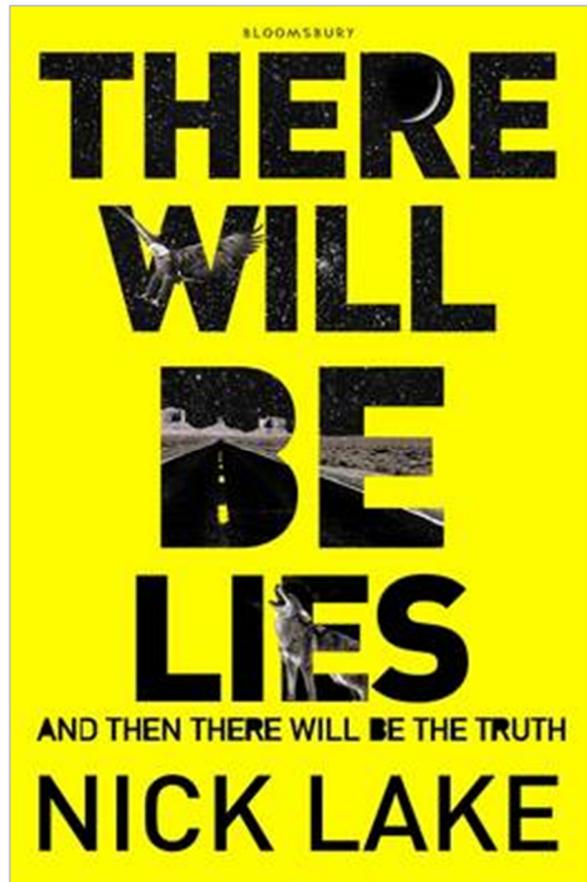
This book is amazing in the way it switched from two different worlds. Lake made the "dreaming" seem so real and magical, it was Shelby's escape where she could be her true self and not be judged.

There will be two lies then the truth!

Ella Hollingshead, age 13

A truly captivating storyline- a tantalising mystery with a twist of fantasy makes this a book you will not want to put down until you've read it through to the end.

'There will be Lies' is an enticing novel in which a 17 year old girl called Shelby



Jane Cooper learns of the lies and the truths of her life.

It all starts when Shelby gets hit by a car and is taken to hospital where she finds her leg to be broken and her mother desperate to gather up Shelby and leave the building with a matter of urgency.

Her once, quiet sheltered world where her mum likes to keep her safe - not even allowing her to go to school - is shattered beyond repair.

Shelby and her mom drive off into the night like a pair of criminals on the run with a coyote keeping a watchful eye on her, trying to give hints at something.

Near the end where Shelby meets James is the part I like best but I won't say too much as it will spoil the story!

Such a great book, a must have read - it's full of truths and lies!

Eloise Mae Clarkson

*This book has action adventure and a little bit of tragedy all rolled into one. I loved this book; the characters were great they had such good personalities and were uniquely portrayed. This book was unlike any I have ever read. The plot was brilliant. I loved the dual narrative. There were so many twists in the plot. **I literally could not put this book down I read it all in one day. I would give this book five out of five stars amazing.***

Louisa Alice Cunliffe, age 17

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A book that started with so much promise but in the end left a feeling of disappointment. The first few chapters set this book to be utterly fantastic, it had the perfect balance of mystery and magic but as I delved deeper I found myself getting more and more frustrated. The main plot of the story, about a girl and her mother on the run for me was more than enough. It had plot turns and characters that kept me more than entertained. But then the mystical world of the dreaming is introduced, for me this was an unnecessary addition that was overcomplicated and disjointed to the rest of the plot. I kept hoping that by the end they would come together. For me they didn't, this lead me wondering, had I missed something?

Inés Davies, age 14

*I found that the storyline was dragged on a bit when if they cut it off before it would have been much more entertaining. I think that they kept you hanging a bit too long. However, I really liked the way that the book is laid out, it is very unique and creative, I have never seen anything like it. I like the fact that they are transitioning between two different worlds. I think that there were too many twists and shocks in the plot. I was confused by all the different turn of events as you had to readjust the way you thought about all the characters every time you saw something new. **I think that it is a good book and I would recommend it but it takes very thorough reading and understanding** to like the book.*

Susanna Wagstaff, age 12

'There Will Be Lies' is a book entwined in secrets, magic, and mystery. It tells the story of Shelby Cooper, a quiet, extremely sheltered seventeen year old, who lives by a strict routine. Being home schooled, she doesn't know anything outside her home, except the library. When she goes outside to wait for her Mum, instead of staying inside like she was told, she finds a Coyote. Confused by its words, she crosses the road, but does not concentrate, and gets hit by a car. Her world turns upside down, and she has to discover who to trust. By discovering an alternate universe, she learns more about herself and her past, revealing unthinkable secrets and lies.

This gripping, mysterious fantasy filled with surprises is an unforgettable read, perfect for any fan of mysteries.

Be prepared to laugh, cry and discover The Dreaming in this amazing, original book like no other.

Phoebe Allan, age 14

*'There Will be Lies' is **an incredibly dramatic book. With a complex story line, it certainly gains and keeps your full attention!** It pulls on ancient stories and combines them with the more modern and magical life of a teenage girl. Shelby is extremely naive due to her overprotective mother, but you are suddenly dragged into her dangerous position as she discovers love, hatred and extreme shocking and confusing situations. As the two worlds begin to unfold, will Shelby Cooper be able to solve her problems in the real world and in the Dreaming?*

*There will be lies and then there will be truth, but this book is **definitely a recommended read**. Thumbs up!*

Erin Monaf, age 12

Thomas Cowley School

'There Will be Lies' is a book about Shelby's life of fantasy. She originally had a very boring life, there were no adventures. That was until she was told that there would be two lies and then the truth. After seeing this, she was run over. Her Mum then went on the run with her, telling her they were running away from her Dad, however upon seeing a different view of her Mum, Shelby isn't so sure.

*This book is a thriller, a fantasy and shows how just like that, your life can shatter into a million pieces. **I simply couldn't put this book down because every page made a new mystery. I would recommend this one to just about anyone who like me, loves to read.***

Jay Hughes, age 13

Thomas Cowley School

*There is a girl called Shelby Jane Copper and she lives in America with her Mum. Her Mum is very protective of her and keeps a lot of things from her. **Shelby's past is hidden from her.** In the middle of the book, the story of her past changes into something that she doesn't like about her Mum. There is a quote that Shelby says many times in the book: 'There will be two lies and then there will be the truth.' She says this the first time when her Mum tells her of her past.*

*Find out how all of this occurs in **THERE WILL BE LIES** and then you will have the truth.*

Farah Alam

***I really enjoyed this book. I think the plot was interesting as well the writing.** One of the best features of this book is how the author takes you between the reality and the fantasy that the main character Shelby is experiencing and how they both impact each other. You're taken on this journey of Shelby meeting a coyote which completely changes her life. How she deals with this and the events that unfold made you kept reading on. I would*

recommend this book since I quite enjoyed it.