

Freefall by Jessica Barry

4 stars

Love and power make uneasy bedfellows.

The novel opens with Allison waking in the aftermath of a plane crash. Against all the odds she has survived while the pilot is dead. However, Allison knows that staying alive may be harder than she can imagine.

Maggie is Allison's mother and is making bread when she is told that Allison has been in a plane crash and it is unlikely that she has survived. Although they have been estranged for two years, Maggie knows her daughter and refuses to believe she is dead. She begins her own investigation to investigate Allison's life and the circumstances of her journey on that particular day.

While Allison fights for survival, Maggie discovers a web of intrigue, secrecy and pure evil in pursuit of money. She is convinced that Ally is alive, but as time passes that hope fades.

The novel alternates between the two women's experiences over time, and there is plenty of suspense, misdirection and plots within plots.

I enjoyed this novel, and it was so nearly 5 stars, but perhaps I am too cynical, and I found the explosive ending lacked credibility

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