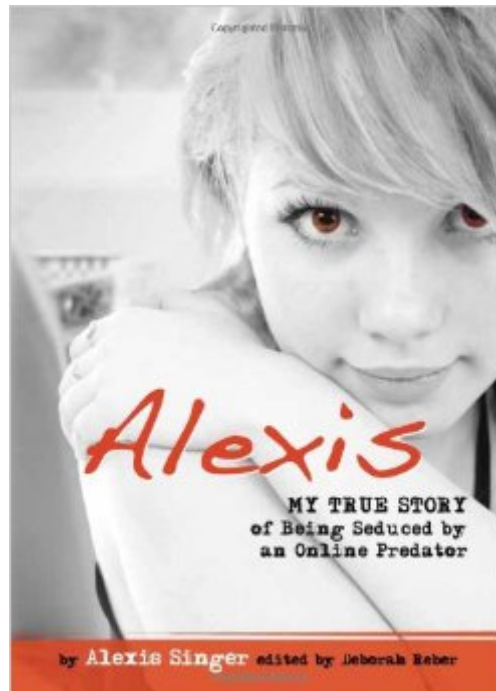


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Synopsis

In six words, an instant message changed Alexis forever. After a rocky junior year of high school, Alexis Singer was lonely, stressed out, and vulnerable--the ideal target for an older man with bad intentions. When a message popped up on her computer screen one night from a message board acquaintance, she could never have known that by responding she was making a choice that would change her forever. By posing as a friend and confidant, the man gave Alexis the attention she desperately craved and weaseled his way into her life in an unimaginable way. Within weeks, Alexis was sucked into an emotionally dependent relationship, engaging in cybersex and sending him explicit photos of herself. Somewhere along the way, she lost who she was and put her dreams for the future, relationships with friends and family, and psychological well-being on the line. 'Not much about that first online conversation we had sticks out in my head except for his surprising interest in me. I probably would have forgotten about it if it weren't for that. I would have dismissed him as just another creep.' Because Truth Is More Fascinating Than Fiction www.louderthanwordsbooks.com

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Alexis was lonely. That's most likely why even though it went against her better judgment she took up an online relationship with a man old enough to be her father. There were many times when she knew in her gut that it was a terrible idea, but sometimes what you know and what you think you need are two different things. So it's sort of hard to write a review of somebody's life story. I can't say

things like that is so unrealistic or that could never happen in real life because it is and it did. Luckily those are things I didn't think because this was a great book. I was so excited when I heard about *Louder Than Words*, and couldn't wait to get them in at the library. These are stories that need to be told. Alexis Singer tells her story plainly without much gritty detail, but a lot of emotion. One thing that bugged me a bit about this book though, was the timeline. She would talk about weeks or months passing but then go back to the first day of that time period. "I committed to participating in National Novel Writing Month in November... For a good two-thirds of the month, I was obsessed with it, writing 3,000 words religiously every night." Then the next chapter starts; "The day after Halloween..." I just didn't like how much the timeline jumped around. She kept getting ahead of herself with one thought and had to backtrack for the next thought. It just seemed sloppy. Besides that though, this was a fascinating look into the mind of a girl who was so lost that she sought comfort where she knew she shouldn't. I really liked that she compared her online relationship to being an addict. I can see where she's coming from. Attention somewhere is better than no attention and one can crave that comfort and then not be able to give it up that easily.

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