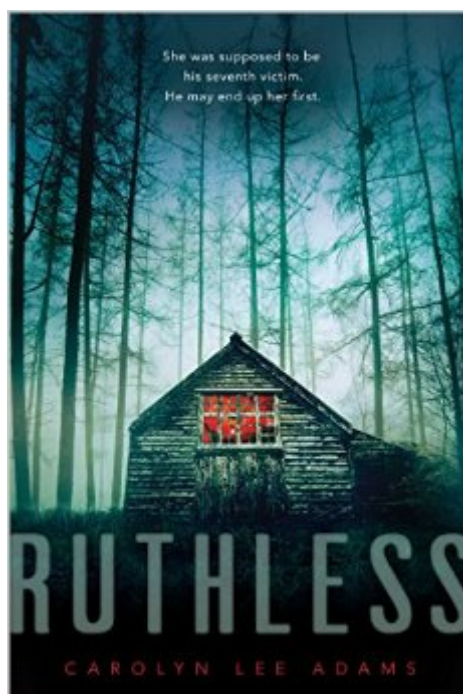


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# Ruthless



## Synopsis

A spine-tingling debut about the ultimate game of cat-and-mouse in reverse as a teen struggles to retain hope and her sanity while on the run from a cunning and determined killer. Ruth Carver has always competed like her life depends on it. Ambitious. Tough. Maybe even mean. It's no wonder people call her Ruthless. When she wakes up with a concussion in the bed of a moving pickup truck, she realizes she has been entered into a contest she can't afford to lose. At a remote, rotting cabin deep in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Ruth's blindfold comes off and she comes face-to-face with her captor. A man who believes his mission is to punish bad girls like Ruth. A man who has done this six times before. The other girls were never heard from again, but Ruth won't go down easy. She escapes into the wilderness, but her hunter is close at her heels. That's when the real battle begins. That's when Ruth must decide just how far she'll go in order to survive. Back home, they called her Ruthless. They had no idea just how right they were.

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Ruth Carver has a very serious problem, she has awoken in an unfamiliar dark place and has no recollection for how she came to be there. After a little time and some investigating Ruth realizes she is in the bed of a moving pickup. When the truck finally comes to a halt a large man yanks her out of the bed and ties her up. Little does she know she has just entered a deadly game of cat and mouse. Will she become his seventh victim? Or will he become her first? Ruthless is a fascinating and thrilling young adult book that takes the reader on an adventure, page after page is filled with

Ruth's battle to survive against her kidnapper she calls "Wolfman". This book is full of page turning action that had me on the edge of my seat the entire time. Adams begins the book after the Ruth's abduction which automatically piqued my interest. Ruth is a tough, resourceful heroine and it serves her well, especially, while trying to outrun a monster. As the book continues it turns out Ruth isn't really the nicest girl around her town, she very competitive with somewhat of a mean streak, hence her nickname "Ruthless". Despite this the reader doesn't have a chance to really meet that side of her due to her being in fight or flight mode the majority of the book. I really enjoyed that Adams showed major character growth as the story developed. No one likes a snob for a heroine. The entire story her captor is trying to break her yet, despite his best efforts she doesn't let him. I really admire this about her. "The Wolfman" as Ruth nicknames him, is an interesting captor. I feel like Adams could have dug a little deeper into his backstory. Though she does do so, I feel like it was a bit shallow for the depths of his depravity and lacked some detail.

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