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Rise Of The Enemy: A Gripping International Suspense Thriller (The Enemy Series Book 2)



Synopsis

Rise of the Enemy is the second novel in the highly-acclaimed Enemy series of espionage thrillers featuring Carl Logan. Praise for Rob Sinclair and Rise of the Enemy: "Torture and Tension in Terrific Thriller" - Treebeard (Bestsellingcrimethrillers.com) "Rise of the enemy is pure action from the get-go" - Lauren Dimmick (mystudentstyle.co.uk) "riveting, spellbinding, captivating, thrilling and believable" - Monica McDaniel (ebookreviewgal) "Another fast paced, well written and suspenseful story full of mystery and action" - Cathy Ryan (Between the Lines blog) Everyone has a breaking point. Carl Logan might just have found his. The Joint Intelligence Agency sends agent Carl Logan on a routine mission to Russia. It should have been simple. But when Logan's cover is blown, he's transported into a world of hell he thought he would never see again. Something is different this time, though, and before long doubts begin to surface in Logan's mind as to why the assignment went so wrong. Logan has never been short of enemies. And sometimes the enemy is closer to home than you think. Could his own people really have set him up?

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Customer Reviews

Following on from *Dance With The Enemy*, Carl Logan has recovered from his gunshot wound, although not quite from Angela Grainger's betrayal, and is on another assignment for the JIA. He and a colleague had been sent on a routine mission to Russia to infiltrate RTK Technologies, Russia's biggest manufacturer of military technology. The operation doesn't go as planned, their man on the inside has been intercepted and their cover is compromised. Carl's colleague is killed, Carl is taken prisoner and thrust into the kind of misery and torment he never wanted to experience again. The story is told in the present with flashback chapters of Carl's incarceration and continues the vividly descriptive writing from the first book. Although Carl is a veteran and has survived more than many people could have, I wondered how he could possibly live through the level of atrocities he was subjected to. There's a lot of attention to the details and, quite honestly, if I hadn't recently watched *The Railway Man*, a true story of one man's experiences as a prisoner of war, I think I would have found it too far-fetched. It actually isn't. As Carl struggles to understand why the seemingly simple assignment went so terribly wrong, the insidious doubts creeping into his thoughts conflict with everything he believes and the one person he trusts the most. Escaping after three months of hell, on the run and not knowing who to trust or who is actually the enemy. Trying to stay under the Russians' radar as well as that of the JIA, Carl has a lot to come to terms with. His life is in free fall and nothing will ever be the same. He can't quite bring himself to believe the things he was told about Mackie but he is determined to find out the truth, whatever it takes.

This is the second book in the *Enemy* series. You do not have to have read the previous book to enjoy this one as there is enough historical information disseminated. I did though pick up the first book for I was so intrigued after this reading and wanting to see where it all began. The Joint Intelligence Agency has sent Carl Logan on a mission in Russia. What should have been a simple easy in and out with intelligence has gone drastically awry and he's captured for the second time in his career. The first time this happened he was rescued after days but not before being tortured. This time months have passed before he's able to escape. The story is told with flashbacks to Carl's time in captivity as he goes forward with his escape in the present and searching for answers. I found this tale to be the study of an agent reflecting upon his life and pondering on the trustworthiness of those who molded him, thinking about the previous betrayals that he lived through and wondering if he's in another one. He's a man who has done unmentionable things yet he has a code of honor. There are blank spots in Carl's memories, his mind needed to shut down to survive the torment his body was going through. When lucid he doesn't know what he relayed to

his captors. He may never know if they broke him or if the information that was known of his life was from gathered intelligence. The interrogator was a deviously manipulative woman, an operative very much like himself, someone he could empathize with about the life heâ€™s lived and what she said too often made logical sense.

Rise of the Enemy is riveting, spellbinding, captivating, thrilling and believable! I don't have enough adjectives to describe yet another Carl Logan roller coaster ride. Not only did I admire Logan from our first journey in Dance with the Enemy, I was able to see deep inside him and get to know his brilliant resourcefulness. Yet, all the while not knowing if I would be able to trust him. I certainly had faith in the old Logan. He definitely stole my heart and became my hero, but on this next assignment, Logan's partner gets killed and he lands himself in a foreign prison. Feeling completely let down by his own people, Logan is made to deal with his own demons and I was able to see the real deal, the raw Carl Logan and that's when I started to doubt his trustworthiness. Within the first three chapters of the story I had the sudden urge to jump ahead to find out what would happen next. Having been captured by the Russians, when his assignment went wrong, Logan was tortured and starved. A beautiful Russian sadist named Lena was assigned to break him down. I was absorbed in his flashbacks while he was imprisoned and I wanted to reach out to him personally and tell him everything was going to be alright. Logan was alone on the outside after he escaped. He could not trust anyone, even his own agency. He felt abandoned and didn't know why his boss and father figure would do this to him. Hiding and being careful of his every move left him vulnerable when he was cut off from the world. Who could he trust? The couple who claimed to be agents from Logan's agency? Lena the sadist from Russia who claims to have Logan's interest at heart? Once again, the author did not disappoint thriller and mystery lovers.

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