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For most people, nightmares always come to an end. But for Cata, Ant, and the others, there may be no escape from theirs. After an experimental treatment meant to cure their insomnia went horribly wrong, the teens were dragged into a shared dreamworld where their most terrifying fears became reality.

The six of them have no way of waking up. And they're beginning to realize that if they die here, they might actually die in the real world. One of the dreamers is already gone, and anyone could be next. The only thing they know for certain is that they have to work together to survive. But as they learn the truth about one another's pasts, they soon discover they are trapped with something far worse than their nightmares....

## Neverwake Details

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# From Reader Review Neverwake for online ebook

**rachel • typed truths says**

\*screeches\* god, I need this so badly and the cover is everything.

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**noor says**

you're joking. aUGUST?!!!! I HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL AUGUST TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS  
FHAHXKWHCUEBGUFYUSBF FUCK

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**Tori says**

I just need to know, you guys. I NEED TO KNOW.

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**Lynndell says**

Never Wake by Amy Plum, the sequel to Dreamfall, starts right where the first book left off. Dreamfall ended with the documented knowledge that one of the teens is a psychopath. The intensity is amplified and the suspense keeps building! The dream state is lasting longer and the void is shortening, so the teens are inside nightmares longer each time and their rest time will eventually disappear. They're already struggling to survive while the nightmares become more dangerous. The intern observing the trial keeps taking detailed notes and she's noticed the changes and believes the patients are dreaming and she's trying to convince the researchers. She was also able to warn Fergus about one of the teens being a psychopath, but he fell back asleep before she stated the psychopath's name. Neverwake's intensity kept me glued to the book and this young adult horror full of unique, interesting characters earns 5 stars!

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**Alina Dinu says**

Horror show! Or maybe not so much. If Dreamfall was a single book I would have been satisfied. But...book two kind of jinxed it. It was frustratingly nightmares abundant or stretched to nightmares infinity and becoming somewhat boring. If in book one the horrors the characters were exposed to made for an entertaining action, in book two it feels repetitive. The plot brings new intriguing turnovers and some characters die but their sleeping state just won't end. The psychopath among them is predictable, his crimes clearly crazy but still makes for an unsatisfying plot. And the doctors... I perceived them as hypocrite assholes, maybe Jaime saves the team a little, with his air of grandeur. The end may be redeeming, the characters finally facing and defeating their horrors and making for a good life, but personally I longed for their reawakening a little sooner. Anyway, it wasn't a bad duo, the idea was intriguing, it just didn't knock me off.

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## The Girl Murdered by Her TBR says

I NEED THIS BOOK RIGHT FREAKING NOW! TAKE MY MONEY SWEET BABY JESUS!!!!

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### Whitney says

I don't know how I feel about this. I reallllllllly liked Dreamfall. Way more than I thought I would (and I thought I'd like it a lot). So I was very excited for this book.

I didn't like it as much as Dreamfall. Not because it wasn't good, but because it just wasn't what I was expecting. The dream portion of this book are much creepier than the first one (in a good way). The characters that remain alive are explored more in depth and given a chance to face their monsters head on, which I think is great.

Honestly, the two things that bothered me were Jaime and the ending, which bums me out because I LOVED Jaime in the first book. In this book, Jaime (the premed student who's helping with the trial) gets a little god complex-y for me (and he addresses this in the book, asking if he has a Messiah complex). While this is all well and good, and his instincts do end up saving the kids, it comes off kind of arrogant. He does many things without the go-ahead from the doctors who are actually running the trial, some of which could have killed people. He isn't a doctor. I understand that new eyes might see things that people doing the job for a while, like Dr. Zhu and Dr. Vesper, might miss. But the fact that they'd miss THIS many things and only a pre-med student would see it seems off to me. They tell him that what he's suggesting is impossible, but our understanding of the human body and the brain is updated and changed constantly as we learn new things. So there really isn't anything he's suggesting that's 100% impossible.

Secondly, I feel like the ending...I didn't think it ended right. I'm sure there are people who will feel like this character got what they deserved, but it seemed kind of like a cop out to me. Even if they're not a great person, the ending affects other people who may not deserve what happens.

Wraps up the series in an alright, if not completely satisfying way. 3.5 stars.

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### Shelley says

\*Source\* Library

\*Genre\* Young Adult / Horror

\*Rating\* 3.5

\*Thoughts\*

Neverwake is the second and final installment in author Amy Plum's Dreamfall duology. The series was partly inspired by the 90s film Flatliners, which was remade into a September 2017 movie. Neverwake picks up right where Dreamfall left off. In case you haven't yet read this series, I'll briefly summarize for you. In the beginning, there were 7 teenagers who agreed to become patients in a sleep research study. The teens

include Cata, Fergus, Ant, Remi, Sinclair, Beth Ann and a 7th which we find out the identity of in this installment.

\*Full Review @ Gizmos Reviews\*

<http://gizmosreviews.blogspot.com/201...>

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## **The Beauty and Her Reads says**

I was so excited for this installment to come out! The first novel ended on quite a cliffhanger. The description of nightmares was out of this world. I don't even understand how could the author even conjure such horrific things to write about. Brett's nightmare especially gave me goosebumps. The writing style, as well as the description of the Void and the nightmares, is much more vivid than the first installment. I felt like the duology kind of matured in this installment.

### **CHARACTERS**

#### **Ant**

Her character's development is amazing throughout the book. I just loved her point of view. Her way of processing things whilst being trapped in a nightmare is so logical. The nightmares were way creepier when they were from her point of view.

#### **Sinclair**

He is a psychopath. But no one actually knows that in the group. Even though his past was written very well, I think the author could have played with the concept of a psychopath being trapped with you in your nightmare with no way out, a little better. It just kind of took away from the 'thriller' aspect of the book. By the end, I absolutely loathed his character which was a good thing.

#### **Cata**

In this book as well, Cata's character felt a little flat for me. It just felt like her character 'goes through the motions' when she reacted in a situation. There was literally nothing new, or remotely interesting about her character. She reminded of the numerous protagonists which I came across when the dystopian-young-adult genre blew up 3-4 years ago.

But, her backstory was really sad and I'm happy how things turned out for her in the end.

#### **Fergus**

His character was \*meh\*. I'm actually happy that I didn't have to tolerate his point of view in this book. His nightmares were also the least impressive but absolutely in character. I can't blame the author.

#### **Jaime**

His character was my absolute favorite! His point of view just kept me on my toes. By the end, I had so much respect for his character because the way he handled the 'situation' was ballsy. We don't get to know much about his backstory which was kind of understandable as he was a just there to monitor the experiments.

But, needless to say, I kind of wanted to know his past.

Special mention of Remi, as even though I don't really have much to say about his character, he definitely added a little bit diversity in this book. Also, his nightmares were the closest to reality and hence, terrifying.

## **ENDING**

This book had kind of a clichéd happy ending. But, I especially loved what happened to Sinclair's character in the end.

Overall, this was a really good duology if you are a sucker for nightmarish books!

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## **Leanne Jones says**

oh my gosh this cannot come fast enough.

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## **Teenreadsdotcom says**

In the sequel to DREAMFALL, Amy Plum continues the story of several teenagers stuck in a dream world in NEVERWAKE. Cata, Ant, Fergus, Sinclair and Remi are the surviving members of the experiment. Trapped in the Dreamfall, they have figured out the pattern of the dreams and the Void. Not only must they survive each terrifying nightmare, they must figure out a way to escape the Dreamfall before death is imminent. New secrets and twists are introduced with each of the characters; not all of them are exactly as they seem. The nightmares start to come together and aren't just random visions; instead they reveal the characters past and reality.

I love the idea to this novel. Exploring each nightmare in detail along with each of the characters' takes the reader on an action-packed ride. Told in first-person through Cata, Ant, and Jamie, the book explores both inside the dream world and outside, where Jamie slowly puts together the pieces of the puzzle. In the previous novel, I found it hard to distinguish between Cata and Fergus. This time, I really enjoyed reading more about Ant and her qualities. I developed separate relationships with each character and Plum did a great job in telling their stories.

I did find it a little bit repetitive during nightmares. At some points I wasn't sure if Plum was just using the scenes as filler text or if they actually contributed to the novel. Each character slowly became very significant to the story and Plum managed to weave the pasts of each teenager into the story. There are always questionable, odd moments in the novel that kept me entranced and interested in what was to come. NEVERWAKE kept me on edge, especially nearing the climax where dark secrets are slowly revealed.

Each nightmare is surreal in its own way. They are twisted and unique but aren't too creepy. In short, they are very bizarre and will definitely frighten younger readers. Each character fights through pain and gore, from getting shot to getting fingers chopped off. However, I would have enjoyed a more "American Horror Story"-scare in the nightmares because most of the scenes are just convoluted action. The ending ties things together for the characters, but does so in a stereotypical teen movie ending, where each character's future is neatly explained in short paragraphs.

Characters that meet their unfortunate end in the novel, however, I feel like I did not connect enough with. There could have been a deeper relationship between the characters and more emotion within their pasts.

Instead, their deaths didn't seem too shocking or heartbreaking.

Overall, Amy Plum definitely stepped up in this sequel, compared to the first novel, from diving deeper into the characters to creating an intricate plot. The plot twists definitely did not end in DREAMFALL and this book will leave you shaken and thrilled.

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### **Jessica (a GREAT read) says**

I finally picked up Amy Plum's conclusion to Dreamfall with Neverwake! I read Dreamfall as an ARC last year and was positively DYING to get my hands on this one! It picks up pretty much where we left off, which was a good thing because things were getting rather intense when we learned that among the teenagers was a psychopathic murderer! Cue the dramatic music!

We already know who the killer is and that's Sinclair. Yet the teenagers are still caught in the dangers and chaos of their nightmares and Fergus, who woke briefly and learned of there being a killer among them, remains unconscious for sometime. In the meantime, Cata, Remi, Ant, and Sinclair are trying to get through each of the nightmares alive, all the while knowing their time in the "safe zone" keeps diminishing.

Real world side, we watch as Jamie is trying to figure things out regarding the teenagers and what they are possibly going through. The scientists believe they are all in comas, simple as that. But based on what Fergus said in the short time that he was semi-conscious and what BethAnn said when she was briefly awake as well, she starts to think there may be something more to what they are all experiencing. She will do everything in her power to get the teens to all safely wake up before something terrible happens to them in their dreams that may cause irreparable damage.

This one was just as exciting and thrilling as its predecessor! Though it's been over a year since I've read that one, I can't really say much on comparisons and whatnot. You could basically see this duology as one long novel since both books were under 300 pages. I almost wonder if it would've served better as one long novel rather than two short ones because the plot was sort of the same when you think of it. The teenagers were trying to stay alive and survive the nightmares they were being forced into.

Since I read this one sporadically over the long weekend, I don't feel like I really got the whole "feel" of it. Sporadically, it was still a pretty awesome read, if a little too much like the first one, yet knowing more than we did in the beginning. Again, I really think this would've been better off as one big book instead of just needlessly making it two shorter ones. At under 300 pages, it is a rather short read in comparison to the majority of YA books. But that's just my opinion. I still think this was an amazing and thrilling duology that I would easily re-read again...had I the time for re-reads!

The pacing was still intense with its multiple points of view going from Cata to Ant to Fergus and then Jamie in no real pattern. I think this would've been more awesome in this second novel if we would have been able to get Sinclair's point of view since we have a better idea of who he is now! It likely would've been disturbing too, but for creep factor that would've been a plus! We were always moving forward though, going from nightmare to nightmare as the teens tried to overcome their worst fears. It was sort of inspiring too, watching them fight to overcome the things that terrified them most!

The ending was most enjoyable too! I quite enjoyed the turnout on a lot of things! I won't get into those details obviously, but I have to say it was a most satisfying experience! This duology certainly remained my

faith in Amy's writing when previous I felt "meh" over her previous books. If she writes more like this, I'd definitely be up for more! The Dreamfall duology is the perfect read for this time of year as it's a nice creepy and twisted kind of read that will keep you reading long into the night!

Overall Rating 4.5/5 stars

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### **Dee Price says**

I love this creepy sequel to *Dreamfall*! Imagine Freddy Kreuger teaming up with all of your worst nightmares and terrorizing you in a perpetual dream state that you literally get no reprieve from. That would be the perfect synopsis for this book series that follows a group of kids who face their greatest fears, supernatural beings, and killer dreams in a horrifying world that they created in their own minds. Their only chance of survival is a student named Jamie who is working frantically in the real world to wake these kids up before their nightmares take them out for good.

This psychological thriller / horror story will keep you on the edge of your seat guessing whether who or if anyone will finally make it out.

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### **Beth says**

What a great ending! I really enjoyed both books, and I appreciated the fact that Amy Plum keeps her story moving. The characters are great, and I found myself pulling for these teens. I am sure all of my teens who like horror will enjoy these two books! Fun, fast read.

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### **Melanie (TBR and Beyond) says**

I'm debating between 3 and 4 stars right now. I'll sleep on it and see what I think tomorrow.

I really enjoyed it though! I'm glad I gave this duology a fair shot. It was great fun.

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