



# BOOK RESUME: GIRL IN PIECES

## BOOK SYNOPSIS

Charlotte Davis is in pieces. At seventeen she's already lost more than most people do in a lifetime. But she's learned how to forget. The broken glass washes away the sorrow until there is nothing but calm. You don't have to think about your father and the river. Your best friend, who is gone forever. Or your mother, who has nothing left to give you.

Every new scar hardens Charlie's heart just a little more, yet it still hurts so much. It hurts enough to not care anymore, which is sometimes what has to happen before you can find your way back from the edge.

A deeply moving portrait of a girl in a world that owes her nothing, and has taken so much, and the journey she undergoes to put herself back together. Kathleen Glasgow's debut is heartbreakingly real and unflinchingly honest. It's a story you won't be able to look away from.

**Title:** Girl in Pieces

**Author:** Kathleen Glasgow

**Imprint:** Ember

**Publisher:** Random House Children's Books

**On sale date:** April 10, 2018

**ISBN:** 9781101934746

**Format:** Trade Paperback

**Age Range\*:** 14 and up

**Grade Range:** Gr 10 Up  
(Recommended by School Library Journal)

## REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★ "In Glasgow's riveting debut novel, readers are pulled close to Charlie's raw, authentic emotions as she strains to make a jagged path through her new life. Love and trust prove difficult, and Charlie's judgment is not well honed, but her will to survive is glorious."—*Booklist*, starred review

★ "[Readers] will find themselves driven to see Charlie's story through. They will better understand a world that often makes no sense to outsiders. Glasgow's debut novel is a dark read, but the engaging writing will win an audience for [Glasgow]."—VOYA, starred review

"Heartbreaking and thick with emotion,...[Girl in Pieces is] for avid fans of Jennifer Niven's All the Bright Places or Susanna Kaysen's Girl Interrupted."—SLJ "Girl, Interrupted meets Speak."—Refinery29

"A dark yet powerful read."—*Paste Magazine*

"One of the most affecting novels we have read."—Goop

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“Breathtaking and beautifully written.”—Bustle

“Intimate and gritty.”—*The Irish Times*

### **AWARDS AND ACCOLADES**

- FINALIST – Amelia Elizabeth Walden Award
- WINNER - Georgia Peach Book Award for Teen Readers
- WINNER - Abraham Lincoln High School Award, 2019, for Grades 9-12
- WINNER - NCSLMA YA Book Award, 2017-2018 -- High School
- WINNER - Virginia Readers' Choice, 2018-2019, High School
- SELECTION - Kansas State Reading Circle Award
- SELECTION - New York Times Bestseller
- SELECTION - New York Public Library Books for the Teen Age
- SELECTION - Amelia Bloomer List Recommended Title
- SELECTION - YALSA Best Books for Young Adults
- SELECTION - Michigan Reading Association Great Lakes Book Award
- SELECTION - ALA Best Books for Young Adults
- SELECTION - Bank Street College Best Children's Book of the Year
- SELECTION 2017 - TAYSHAS Reading List
- SELECTION - YALSA Best Books for Young Adults

### **MEDIA AND RESOURCES**

[Girl In Pieces Discussion Guide](#)

[What inspires a Poet to Write a Novel-New York Times article](#)

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