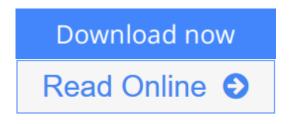


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Editorial Review

From **Booklist**

Three men are found murdered and mutilated in close succession, each tortured in an individual manner, but that's just the tip of the iceberg here. The victims evoke less sympathy when all three are found to be pedophiles, making the killer seem nearly righteous in his motive. London DC Maeve Kerrigan, of the murder task force, chafing under the direction of brusque and opinionated DI Josh Derwent, saves the life of the fourth intended victim, which leads to an all-out search for a missing teenage girl. This turns into something bigger, with true psychopaths at its core and a spy within the task force. Meanwhile, perceptive but commitment-shy Maeve must deal with being a woman in a world of less-than-sensitive men and handle a romantic relationship with a fellow team member. In sharp and supple prose, Casey illustrates both the nitty-gritty work and the keen instincts that solve crimes in this police procedural with a feminist bent, a worthy sequel to the well-received The Burning (2011). --Michele Leber

Review

Casey has succeeded in writing another impossible-to-put-down thriller with surprising plot twists and welldeveloped, intriguing characters. Readers will want to know what happens to Kerrigan next! (*Library Journal (starred review)*)

Genuinely suspenseful and extremely well written with just a touch of The Internet Is Going to Kill You, *The Reckoning* will keep readers turning pages long into the night and pushing the book on friends the next day. (*RT Book Reviews* (4¹/₂ stars, Top Pick))

In sharp and supple prose, Casey illustrates both the nitty-gritty work and the keen instincts that solve crimes in this police procedural with a feminist bent, a worthy sequel to the well-received *The Burning*. (*Booklist*)

A neatly drawn study of male-female working relationships, commitment phobia and the grimier aspects of police work. (*Kirkus*)

An enticing mix of police work, romance, evildoers, sex, and sexism. . .Casey surrounds Kerrigan, an appealing blend of confidence and self-doubt, with a large cast of well-drawn characters, including Godley and Skinner. Admirers of Elizabeth George's ensemble police mysteries will find a lot to like. (*Publishers Weekly*)

Compelling. . . Casey's writing is assured and the story deftly drawn. (Irish Echo)

A satisfyingly tension-filled, page-rifling read that comes with the added bonus of beautifully realized characters and elegant prose. [Casey] moves effortlessly into the pantheon of top Irish female crime writers, a list that includes Tana French, Alex Barclay, Arlene Hunt and Niamh O'Connor. (*The Irish Independent*)

Astute, complex, layered--and very twisted. You'll remember this one for a long time. (*Lee Child on The Burning*)

Irish author Casey's impressive series debut, a taut serial killer thriller, delves deeply into the psyches of three women... Casey expertly combines a perceptive crime drama with an insightful look at the women's overlapping problems. (*Publishers Weekly (starred review) on The Burning*)

Casey rarely puts a foot wrong in this enthralling example of a bait-and-switch novel. . .Parallel first-person narratives from either side of the thin blue line contribute hugely to the novel's page-turning quality, although the author's success here is largely due to her superb characterizations. . .*The Burning* confirms that she's a talent to watch. (*Irish Times on The Burning*)

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