

Dear Book Reviewer,

Jacob Grey is no ordinary sales VP; beneath his professional facade lies a skilled operative with a storied background in the army and as a private contractor. But it's his deep love for Alessandra, a woman who has endured a harrowing past, that drives him to embark on a perilous mission of vengeance. His path leads him back into a dark world of corruption and greed and the sinister underbelly of human trafficking and child prostitution. As Jacob works to dismantle the crime empire responsible for Alessandra's suffering, he finds himself in the crosshairs of Brazil's most formidable crime syndicate. Supported by his former colleagues and government agencies fighting to end human trafficking, Jacob begins to wage a relentless war. However, as Alessandra discovers the truth about his secret identity, their bond is put to the ultimate test. The battle with the criminal world exacts a heavy toll, leaving Jacob with a newfound purpose: revenge. Jacob is set on becoming an unstoppable force that will dismantle the syndicate piece by piece.

CRYING DAUGHTERS (60,000 words) is a thrilling crime novel based on true events. I have included a synopsis, an outline, and the first few pages of the manuscript. Thomas is a U.S. Army Veteran and was a subcontractor for a Department of State private security contractor. He has an expired Top Secret clearance, and had rendered services as an operator, senior tactical adviser, and director of tactical training. Thomas trained alongside several law enforcement agency personnel from the DEA, FBI, and many other SWAT teams. He trained in hostage recovery, dignitary protection, and high structure room breaching by rappelling, just to mention a few. Thomas wrote this book with hopes of shedding some light on global criminal organizations' deep-rooted involvement in human trafficking, particularly the kidnapping and trade of young women and children.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Thomas Ray

SYNOPSIS

Jacob Grey, a sales VP with a covert military past, arrives in São Paulo, Brazil. Jacob's visit isn't for leisure, as he's on a meticulously planned mission to rescue trafficked women and children. Jacob came to know about the human trafficking world after his girlfriend, Alessandra, shared her horrific past with him. She was kidnapped at a young age and sold to traffickers. Luckily, she escaped some years later. After hearing this, Jacob vowed to try and end human trafficking in Brazil and avenge Alessandra. With daring tactics, Jacob has been able to disrupt the crime syndicate's operations and expose the involvement of international hotel chains. However, to protect Alessandra, he keeps her in the dark about his dangerous plan.

Spotting Alessandra being followed at the airport, Jacob senses danger. He takes decisive action, ensuring their escape. However, they encounter Lugo, a former colleague of Jacob's, and his team. The group is involved in an active rescue operation orchestrated by the U.S. Department of Justice and the Department of State. Jacob's activities have attracted attention, and he and Alessandra are now the main targets of Brazil's largest crime organization.

After their successful exfiltration, Alessandra and Jacob meet with law enforcement and government officials from all parts of the Americas who unbeknownst to Jacob, had already set in motion a mission to rescue trafficking victims. Jacob is assigned to the Mexican team to lure and arrest the trafficking kingpin—Mohsin. Alessandra, who is now aware of Jacob's past and self-assigned mission, helps coordinate the evacuation of victims and the provision of sanctuary through her foundation.

While Jacob is in Mexico infiltrating Mohsin's hideout, he discovers that Alessandra has been kidnapped and a kill order has been placed on her. He and his team race to rescue her, but it is too late. Jacob, fueled by vengeance, vows to take down the entire crime syndicate responsible and avenge Alessandra.

OUTLINE

Chapter 1

IDIOSYNCRASIES

Jacob, seated on a plane, is transported back to a past gunfight in Proveti, Rio de Janeiro, while fighting alongside Sergeant Lugo and their team. The memories induce adrenaline and, ultimately, relief. Upon landing in São Paulo, he snaps out of his recollection and heads toward the immigration station. Jacob reflects briefly on his personal and professional history, including military and private security experiences. Despite his accomplishments, he struggles with PTSD and with maintaining close relationships because of the double life he has led.

Chapter 2

REFLECTION

After successfully passing through border control, Jacob's mind is consumed by thoughts of Alessandra, his girlfriend. He waits anxiously at a café, his anticipation turning into concern as she fails to show up. He dials her number, desperately hoping for a response that never comes. Panic sets in as he scans the surroundings, with memories of their past flooding his mind. Determined to be there for her, he recalls their shared secrets and the vow he made to fight against human trafficking. With each passing moment, his worry intensifies, leaving him grappling with the uncertainty of Alessandra's whereabouts and the fear that something may have gone wrong.

Chapter 3

PRELUDE TO ACTION

Jacob's visit to Brazil is not for business or leisure but to execute a carefully planned mission to rescue young girls from human trafficking. With the help of contacts and by blackmailing influential individuals, he has been able to disrupt the operations of a crime syndicate and expose the involvement of international hotel chains. Alessandra is the director of the Daughters of Brazil Foundation, an institution established to support trafficked victims. Concerned for her safety, Jacob does not disclose his plans to her. He is determined to protect Alessandra and other victims, knowing that his actions will anger powerful criminals and corrupt officials. The ultimate goal is for him and Alessandra to escape Brazil together and provide long-term care for rescued children through the foundation.

Chapter 4

BOLT FROM THE BLUE

At the airport, Jacob spots Alessandra being followed by two men. Sensing danger, he quickly realizes they are after him. With swift and decisive action, he incapacitates the men. Alessandra, shocked and in awe of Jacob's skills, clings tightly to his hand as they seamlessly merge into a crowd and make their way to safety. Despite her curiosity and fear, she trusts Jacob and awaits an explanation of the unfolding events.

Chapter 5

THE UNMASKING

Jacob and Alessandra manage to reach the airport's parking garage without being noticed. They find an older-model Ford Bronco and Jacob hot-wires it for their escape. Alessandra questions Jacob about his abilities and the preceding events. Jacob reassures her that he will explain everything soon and asks for her trust. While driving toward a small town, Jacob reveals that someone must have known about his plans and their relationship. Alessandra expresses her concerns and contemplates making changes to her life for safety reasons. Jacob assures her that they need to focus on the present and reveals they will be changing vehicles soon. They drive down a desolate road, and Jacob plans to retrieve essential items hidden in the jungle. Alessandra reluctantly agrees to the plan, and they continue their journey.

Chapter 6

BROTHERHOOD

Alessandra and Jacob reach an abandoned tower and prepare an SUV for their escape. They notice black smoke in the distance and investigate. Shortly, they encounter two groups of operatives led by Lugo and Brett, Jacob's former colleagues who are involved in a rescue operation orchestrated by the U.S. Department of Justice and Department of State. Jacob's activities had drawn their attention to suspicious money transfers, and they intervened to rescue Alessandra. Lugo explains the involvement of the government agencies and arranges for Jacob and Alessandra to be taken to the airport for their escape.

Chapter 7

UN-EXPECTATIONS

Alessandra and Jacob board a Sikorsky helicopter. Upon landing, they are greeted by FBI agents who inform them of the compromised situation: based on earlier incidents, the Brazilian Federal Police is on the hunt for Jacob and Alessandra, and officers have arrived at

the airport, Alessandra is hurried onto a plane, while Jacob stays behind. The FBI agent in command, Katie, communicates with Lugo and Brett, and they prepare for a confrontation with the Brazilian police officers.

Chapter 8

REUNIONS

Lugo contacts Macias, the corrupt Brazilian police commander at the airport, to negotiate the release of Jacob and Alessandra. Macias insists on taking Jacob into custody due to a previous altercation between him and Jacob. Lugo refuses, leading to a tense exchange between the two. Eventually, they agree to meet at the airport to discuss the situation. Lugo instructs Brett to accompany him, and they plan to have their teams positioned with rifles for added security. Macias agrees to keep his men in their vehicles during the meeting. Jacob, stunned by the turn of events, listens to the conversation.

Chapter 9

STANDOFF

Lugo instructs Jacob to gather weapons and ammunition from the armory and take control of three Exfil team agents. Lugo reveals his plan to position Jacob and some agents on the roof of the hangar, while the other agents stay behind to protect Alessandra. Jacob retrieves his equipment and checks on Alessandra before joining the group. The US attorney general is informed about the situation, and Lugo requests a black passport for Jacob for diplomatic immunity. Jacob leads the agents to a secure defensive room with firing ports facing the front of the hangar. They take positions and await Lugo's arrival.

Chapter 10

A LIFE FOR A LIFE

Lugo and his team are in a standoff with Macias and his Brazilian Federal Police. Lugo's team is positioned with their weapons ready, but Macias wants Lugo to leave his men in the vehicles. Lugo refuses, and tensions escalate. Lugo suspects that Macias had inside information about their mission, and considering the tight situation, he considers exchanging a prisoner they have in custody, "Jack the Ripper," for Jacob's freedom. Meanwhile, Katie tries to gather information from Jacob about the situation. Negotiations become heated, and Macias threatens to call in more agencies to take Jacob. Lugo suggests a trade—offering Macias his brother (Rodrigo) in exchange for Jacob, which distracts Macias and buys Lugo some time to execute his plan. This plan involves all parties, as well as a Black Hawk helicopter bringing Jacob's passport.

Chapter 11

DOUBLE CROSS

Lugo, Brett, and Macias discuss the exchange. Lugo communicates with the Black Hawk pilot and instructs him to land near their location. Lugo's assures Macias that he'll see Rodrigo and that once the plane starts to roll out of the hangar, the trade will be made. Lugo coordinates with his team and ensures they follow his instructions. The hangar door is opened, the plane begins to move, and the Black Hawk lands. Macias meets Rodrigo, but Lugo grabs him and runs toward the helicopter. Meanwhile, Brett and another operative subdue Macias.

Chapter 12

DUPED

Lugo has managed to deceive Macias and successfully transfer Rodrigo to the Black Hawk. The crew chiefs secure Rodrigo and hand Lugo Jacob's passport. As the Black Hawk takes off, Lugo turns his attention to Macias, who mocks their failed plan since the plane is grounded. Macias's vehicles arrive, and he confronts Lugo, taunting him regarding the blocked runway. Lugo plays along, pretending to be unaware of the situation. Macias inspects the plane but fails to find Jacob and Alessandra. Realizing he has been fooled again, Macias confronts his informant in the FBI and spits in his face. Meanwhile, Lugo secretly instructs the Sikorsky helicopter pilot to take off. As this helicopter ascends, Macias is left in shock.

Chapter 13

EMOTIONS

Jacob and Alessandra arrive at the embassy and are immediately escorted by Marines to meet a middle-aged female staffer named Karen. Karen guides them to their guest room and promises to return at 8 a.m. for breakfast. After she leaves, Jacob and Alessandra express their love for each other and fall asleep. The next morning, Lugo knocks on their door, presents Jacob with a diplomatic passport, and informs him that he is back in the game. They meet up with Brett and discuss the imminent rescue operation and the target—Mohsin Mohsin, the overlord of the crime syndicate.

Chapter 14

TASK FORCE

Alessandra meets three men, Brett, Lugo, and Jacob, in the commissary. They discuss the events of the previous day, and Alessandra thanks them for their help. Lugo mentions

that Alessandra's work with her nonprofit organization—the Daughters of Brazil Foundation—will be beneficial for an upcoming operation. Alessandra and Jacob discuss Macias, who happens to be her ex-boyfriend. Jacob reveals his history with Macias and notes his duplicity. Jacob mentions that Macias was behind the kidnapping and had planned to betray them to the syndicate. They prepare to attend a meeting involving several agencies from both North and South America gathered to execute the rescue of trafficked women and children.

Chapter 15

REALITY

Jacob and Alessandra enter the meeting room, which is filled with law enforcement personnel and government officials. They are introduced to various individuals, including the US ambassador and the Brazilian attorney general. The group discusses Mohsin's whereabouts and the possibility of a covert operation. The consul informs Alessandra that she cannot attend the meeting itself due to its confidential nature. Presentations are given on efforts to combat human trafficking, and it is revealed that Alessandra's foundation will assist trafficking victims.

Chapter 16

EXPOSING MOHSIN

During the meeting, Jacob is unexpectedly invited to speak. He handles the situation with confidence and addresses the room. Later, Jacob is assigned to the Mexican team and briefed on the plan to arrest Mohsin in Mexico. He receives his laptop from Lugo and discusses logistics with Commander Flores, the regional commander for the Mexican Federal Ministerial Police. Jacob, Lugo, and the attorney general enter another conference room to discuss further details of the operation.

Chapter 17

OPERATION SAFE TRAVELS

Alessandra is taken to a meeting room where representatives from different countries are gathered. The consul explains that her foundation will coordinate the evacuation and processing of the trafficked victims. Each country's representative briefs Alessandra on their transport plans and staging areas. Alessandra emphasizes personalized care for victims, and the consul agrees to provide INTERPOL teams for security. Alessandra organizes her team members to assist each country and find suitable shelters. She emphasizes collaboration, and everyone begins their tasks.

Chapter 18

MEXICO

Jacob has arrived in the Lacandón Jungle, Mohsin's hideout. Jacob meets Captain Hernandez (the commanding officer-in-charge), who briefs him on Mohsin's compound and security. They discuss reinforcements and the need for a swift operation. Jacob and the operatives infiltrate the compound, eliminating all guards. They find Mohsin tied up by Macias and learn that Alessandra has been kidnapped! Jacob and Macias put aside their differences to save her. Mohsin provides limited information, but Jacob remains determined to find Alessandra.

Chapter 19

BLEAK

Jacob and Macias rush to save Alessandra from a safe house in Brazil. They, along with Lugo and Brett, navigate the compound and eliminate guards, and reach a lab where sinister experiments have been conducted. Gunfire erupts, and Jacob finds Alessandra, who has been fatally shot. Devastated, he vows to seek revenge. He carries her body out of the safe house, and Macias is arrested. Jacob's determination to dismantle the criminal empire grows stronger.