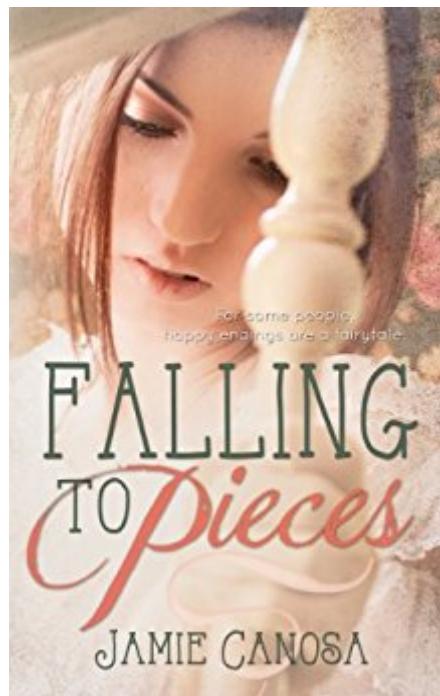


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# Falling To Pieces (Pieces #1)



## **Synopsis**

Suffering the bitter tongues of her alcoholic mother and cruel boyfriend, Jade struggles just to look at herself in the mirror. She hates her life, her insecurities, her ineptitudes, but most of all . . . Jade hates herself. She wants nothing more than to disappear, and everyone seems happy to let her. Until Kiernan Parks moves back into town. Jade's been crushing on him ever since kindergarten, when his family moved away. But now he's back, and looking better than ever. Hiding is a way of life for Jade, but Kiernan insists on uncovering the real girl he sees trapped inside her. On drawing her out of her shell, and showing her that she is someone worthy of love. Together, they fight back the darkness she's living in. But when they finally step into the light, will the secret Kiernan's been trying to keep buried destroy Jade, once and for all? For some people, happy endings are a fairytale.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Jamie Canosa's Falling To Pieces is a beautiful story of love, strength, hope, and belief in

oneself. I can't describe how much I absolutely adored Falling to Pieces. This story wrecked me, like completely wrecked me from the inside out. It's the story of Jade Carlson, a young girl with scars deeper than the ordinary eye can see. Jade deals with the worst kind of hate at school, and due to her low self-esteem, she imagines that everyone is insulting her even if they aren't. I thought this was an extremely realistic portrayal of someone who deals with bullying and insecurities, because some of the people around her are saying one thing, but Jade is hearing another. Furthermore, Doug, Jade's douchebag boyfriend doesn't even try to put a filter on: he puts her down every chance he gets and treats her as subhuman. As though being the odd girl out in school isn't bad enough, Jade's Hell continues even after she's returned home. Whereas home is meant to be a safe haven for most, for Jade, that's a foreign concept, thanks to her moody, alcoholic, verbally abusive mother. But once Kiernan Parks waltzes back into her life, he's a lot more than a knight in shining armor. Kiernan's goal isn't to save Jade. He helps her put the broken pieces of herself back together, and helps her start to actually live her life, rather than just go through the motions. He helps rid her of Doug's "thank God" and he becomes the friend she's always needed. Jade and Kiernan's friendship and subsequent relationship is a bit out of the ordinary. Kiernan brings light, laughter, and happiness into Jade's life, even if at first she's reluctant to accept it. The two best parts of any story, in my opinion, are: a) The moment when the characters confess their feelings for each other, and b) Spectacular minor characters. In Falling to Pieces, both are in full effect. Kiernan's mother and his brother Caulder are two minor characters who refused to go unnoticed. Cal stepped in to protect and take care of Jade just like Kiernan did, and his mother is Heaven sent. The two of them make the pieces of Falling to Pieces fit perfectly together. And furthermore, the moment when Jade and Kiernan tell each other their feelings is one of my favorite love scenes ever written. It's innocent and beautiful, and it shows love in its purest form. Kiernan and Jade's love story is one for the ages, and I look forward to seeing what happens next.

In a word, WOW! Starting out, I was bogged down by all of Jade's internalization and negativity, but the further I read, the more compelling Jade's story became. I couldn't put it down. I found myself grabbing my phone (I had the Kindle version) and reading wherever I could find time. I don't like to give spoilers, so I won't, but the emotion Jamie's words evoked was palpable. I truly felt the self-loathing, the anger, the hurt, the hope, the new love, anguish, and so much more. Jamie writes

as though she has experienced this herself, which makes my heart hurt for her if she has, makes it hurt the way it hurts for Jade. I cannot wait to read to continuation of Jade's story in *Pieces of My Heart*, book #3 in the *Pieces* Series, but not until I read *Angel*, book #2.

Love and loss is an amazing thing when given a canvas to display the emotions through words. I would have to compare this book to "Until Star" while the form or style of writing was different, the emotions that were evoked were really and greatly appreciated. The only thing I would have wanted, was better development of the characters; more depth, and subscription. In all the story was one that any person could advocate for, stand up for, love, in all its imperfections. The idea that a story can display how much love should be respected, cherished, admired, in all its forms is not an easy task. And I whole hearted lot feel it was an emotions that was displayed beautifully in this story, and that is not an easy feat. I tell readers to be strong and open to what this strait may bring to you. ENJOY!

WOW... my heart will never be the same. Hope is a powerful word..add feelings, you get life. This story has given me a beautiful gift. To treat each day as the gift it is. I had to read this in different parts, I couldn't see the words. My tears made it impossible to read straight through. I will keep this in my to be re-read shelf. 20 stars!!!!

So I'm like you know what's a good idea to do at 12am..... read a romantic book... read the description. I thought oh This will be cute. (Bought it without reading reviews) almost half way through "I hate you please God I hope I'm not right" then that thing happens and I'm cursing at the author. Yeah that's right bleep you Jamie Canosa! Crying my eyes out at 4:30am because I am in heartache. It's written beautifully. I fell in love with your writing today and I hope to read much more of your work. In all honesty I wasn't expecting this piece to go where it did. My only advice to people who want to read this book...be prepared to finish it that same day because it's impossible to put down.

When I found this book I read the summary of this and book 2. I thought I had an idea what I was in for and I was wrong and reading the summary of book 2 made it worse! This book was devastating, heartbreaking and so very emotional. I cried for hours trying to get through this book. Jade, Kiernan start out book 1 and when you think it may be like other books you've read its not. Jade's life is like so much youth today that others don't know about and Kiernan may look of wealth not everything is as it seems. You also meet Caulder (Cal) and you learn more in book 1.5 and that may be a novella

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