

Hell on Wheels by Julie Ann Walker

1. Who liked the book? Who did not? What would you rate it? Would you recommend this book to others?
2. Julie Ann Walker is a new author. Did you like her writing style? What did or didn't you like about how she writes? She uses "flashbacks" to let us know what happened in a conversation, instead of just putting the conversation into the dialogue at that moment. Do you like this style?
3. Was this book easy for you to get into or did it take awhile?
4. Was this a predictable story or was it different from other things you've read?
5. Does she do well with character development? Plot development?
6. What did you think of the use of nicknames?
7. What do you think of the whole "best friend's baby sister" is off limits "especially since I killed him" theme? Too overdone or good almost every time? What other themes do you like to read in books (he only sees me as a friend but I'm in love with him)?
8. Character discussion: Nate, Ali, Grigg, Frank, Becky, Ozzie, Dan, Patti, Dagan, Senator Aldus
9. Thoughts on Frank and Becky. Did you like the conflict and relationship prep for them? Did it make you want to read their story?
10. What did you think of the tension build up between the two main characters? They didn't get together until page 254. Was it worth the wait?
11. What were you thinking after the torture? How did you feel? Do you think you could have done what Nate did in that situation?
12. How did you expect Ali to react when she found out that Nate was the one who ended Grigg's life?
13. Scene in Ali's parents backyard: would you have liked a wrap up with how her parents reacted or was this not necessary? Was it weird that they didn't even call her after that?
14. What were your final thoughts on Dagan? Did you end up liking him or just not hating him?
15. What did you think of Frank's reaction to Becky leaving?
16. Did you think the motorcycle shop cover was used enough in the book or not?
17. What scene has stuck with you?
18. Did this book meet your expectations?
19. Was the ending satisfying? If not, how would you have changed it?
20. Will you continue the series? Whose story are you most looking forward to?
21. Would this make a good movie? Who would you cast in each character's role if a movie were made?