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In this dazzling and long-awaited conclusion to the acclaimed Mortal Instruments series, Clary and her friends fight the greatest evil they have ever faced: Clary's own brother.

City Of Heavenly Fire Pdf

Sebastian Morgenstern is on the move, systematically turning Shadowhunter against Shadowhunter. Bearing the Infernal Cup, he transforms Shadowhunters into creatures out of nightmare, tearing apart families and lovers as the ranks of his Endarkened army swell.

City Of Heavenly Fire Summary

The embattled Shadowhunters withdraw to Idris - but not even the famed demon towers of Alicante can keep Sebastian at bay. And with the Nephilim trapped in Idris, who will guard the world against demons?

City Of Heavenly Fire Quotes

When one of the greatest betrayals the Nephilim have ever known is revealed, Clary, Jace, Isabelle, Simon, and Alec must flee - even if their journey takes them deep into the demon realms, where no Shadowhunter has set foot before, and from which no human being has ever returned...

City Of Heavenly Fire Audiobook

Love will be sacrificed and lives lost in the terrible battle for the fate of the world in the thrilling final installment of the classic urban fantasy series *The Mortal Instruments*!

This review and more can be found on [Living for the Books](#)

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The biggest issue I had with this book was that the characters focus on the wrong things. The world is basically coming to an end and instead of caring about that, most of the characters seemed concerned with their love lives. Thank goodness there was no Clary and Jace drama, I don't think I could ever take more of that. Instead they're mostly happy for the book, even when they're hunting down Sebastian in the demon realms. They were kinda of sappy, but so were all the other characters. At least the characters were still sarcastic and more than once I laughed at the dialogue between the characters.

A couple characters do die, but for me it wasn't that big of a deal. I didn't shed a single tear for any of the characters that died in this book, but I was practically sobbing about the mentions of characters from *The Infernal Devices*. The deaths didn't really serve a purpose other than to kill off a couple of characters because it didn't really seem to move the plot forward.

The villain, Sebastian, was alright I guess. I didn't like him all that much because I thought he was strange. At first he wants to kill all the Shadowhunters and then his plans change a great deal when Clary, Jace, and all the others, find him in the demon realms. His plans for Clary are disturbing and he's basically an evil mastermind, but I never got the wow he's a great villain feeling. I'm not exactly sure why, but I think it may be partially because I'm just so done with this series.

I wasn't expecting to be blown away by this book and I wasn't, but I still enjoyed it. I laughed, I cried, I rolled my eyes, I wanted to throw the book, but in the end it was a decent ending to a series that should have ended three books ago. If I hadn't given up on Shadowhunter books I might be tempted to pick up

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the next series because the new characters are kind of adorable, but I think for now I'm done with the Shadowhunter world.

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Me when I found out the release date:

Just finished City of Lost Souls and now I have to wait 2 more YEARS before I can read this book! It's going to be torture I tell you! Pure TORTURE! At least Clockwork Princess is coming out in 2013 otherwise I think I might go insane from this wait!

I LOVE the title it just makes you want to read this even more. I mean who wouldn't want to read a book called City of Heavenly Fire?

On another note...if Magnus and Alec don't get back together someone is going to get hurt because they are awesome together!

I just thought of something...what if the world ends before this book comes out? WE WILL NEVER KNOW HOW THIS SERIES ENDS IF THE WORLD ENDS! How can they do this to me?

Edit: *clears throat* so um you have to understand that when I posted this I thought TMI series was the best thing since sliced bread. To be honest I probably thought that because I hadn't read that many books at that point so I had nothing to compare it to. Books 1-3 were good but after that I now think the series has gone downhill especially after the movie. I'll still read this book but to be honest I'm not as excited about it. 2 years is a long time and my taste in books has changed drastically since then. I'll keep the top part because it feels wrong to delete it. And this is why I'll never post a review of a book before it comes out.

Edit 2:

What even is that cover?

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I used to think it made me strong to refuse to delete reviews even when the abuse in the comments endured and endured, but after three fucking years of verbal attacks due to this review I just can't be bothered with it anymore. I honestly can't lmao. I'm fucking sick of this and I'm fucking sick of the pig-headed, entitled, immature, and arrogant stans for this series who continue to make utter fools of themselves by actively seeking people out to antagonise them for not liking a shitty goddamn I used to think it made me strong to refuse to delete reviews even when the abuse in the comments endured and endured, but after three fucking years of verbal attacks due to this review I just can't be bothered with it anymore. I honestly can't lmao. I'm fucking sick of this and I'm fucking sick of the pig-headed, entitled, immature, and arrogant stans for this series who continue to make utter fools of themselves by actively seeking people out to antagonise them for not liking a shitty goddamn book.

I hated this book and I hate the culture of negativity and hostility that's grown around it. I was an OG fan of this series; I loved the first trilogy. Not to sound like Hipster Mermaid, but I was a fan of this before most of the spoiled children who were attacking me had even heard of it. I now loathe it by association, so good job guys.

I'm fucking done. Bye. ...more

I was thinking up until the last 200 pages that this was definitely going to be a 3 star read, but that ending completely changed my mind. It really made up for the first chunk of the book.

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This book was PHENOMENAL. I finished it in under 24 hours because I literally COULD NOT put it down. Cassandra Clare concluded such an amazing series in such a beautiful way. I didn't think it was possible to cry more happy tears than sad tears when finishing off your absolute favorite series, but somehow, this novel was too amazing for me to dwell in the few sad parts and forced me to embrace all it had to offer. I thought I'd be broken with the end of The Mortal Instruments, but I am so happy This book was PHENOMENAL. I finished it in under 24 hours because I literally COULD NOT put it down. Cassandra Clare concluded such an amazing series in such a beautiful way. I didn't think it was possible to cry more happy tears than sad tears when finishing off your absolute favorite series, but somehow, this novel was too amazing for me to dwell in the few sad parts and forced me to embrace all it had to offer. I thought I'd be broken with the end of The Mortal Instruments, but I am so happy knowing the fates of the characters I've come to love and feeling the security of knowing that one of the greatest works of YA literature ever written has ended as wonderfully as it started. If you want to check out my book talk (which does include spoilers) here it is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rjV9c...> ...more

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City Of Heavenly Fire Movie

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The last installment of the Mortal Instruments was nothing short of unforgettable. There were so many things I loved with it, but also things I regretted Cassie didn't explore futher. I guess with a book series as large as this one it would be hard, if not impossible, to address everything. All in all, City of Heavenly Fire was deeply affecting, a real page-turner with both heartbreaking and truly happy moments. Few books have managed to touch me this way; last time was Clockwork Princess, and I swear, it took me months to even consider picking up a new book to read. Months. That's how emotional it got me.

There is a war in this book. The end-of-the-world type of war, and however clichÃ© that may sound, let me assure you, it is not. Maybe, just maybe, I'm too invested in this series, but I found the build up to be realistic. The war will bring destruction, but it will also pave the way to a hopefully brighter future (view spoiler)[(if you consider the fey to be a smaller threat than Sebastian) (hide spoiler)] . It will shape the lives of the survivors, and lead to the ascension of new warriors.

(view spoiler)[Am I the only one who at "We have lost so many. It has been a long time since death undid so many Nephilim. We must reach out into the mundane world, find those who might Ascend, teach and train them" almost yelled out "TAKE ME! TAKE ME!"

I guess it all just felt so real... like I was there. Damn it. (hide spoiler)]

Essentially, The Mortal Instruments is a story about bravery and sacrifice and friendship, and encircling all of these, is love and compassion. It's about how caring about others and about the world we live in can only make it better. That's what I'm taking away from this story.

That and overly exaggerated expectations of how my next boyfriend should be like. If you're not anywhere close to as awesome as Jace Herondale is, I'm done with you. . . I just might up never getting married, but that's OK....

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the past two, I'm rather disappointed; there's something a little cheesy about it, and it looks kind of like a rehash of CoFA. Plus, Clary's hair... I get that she's part angel, but that's such an unnatural shade of red, and I never got the vibe that she dyed it. Also the city-scape at the bottom was always a favorite element, and it's just not as prominent here, so I'm bummed UPDATE 1/15/14

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Ah, well. Maybe it'll grow on me.

And just to avoid misconceptions, I want to clarify that I get it: don't judge books by their covers; it's merely a picture representing the existence of a book, not the content or quality; the production team designed it, not Cassandra Clare; some people might actually really love this cover anyway; and that's all fine. I just don't think it's as epic as it could have been.

UPDATE 1/1/14

So apparently, assuming the pictures of Cassandra Clare's Twitter posts seen in other reviews are correct, the "WHO WILL SURVIVE?" label on the placeholder cover of the book is not only for dramatic effect. Allegedly, six characters we "know by name" will die.

This actually makes me want to read the book more. Not because I have a fervent desire to watch all the characters die (at this point I'm rather indifferent), but because it means that things are finally going to be taken seriously. Those lovely teenage shadowhunters aren't just running around drawing runes and fighting abstract villains; they're risking (and potentially losing) their lives. And after the excessive melodrama, angst, and somberness of the past two books, which have decidedly left the light playfulness of the original trilogy behind in favor of a darker tone, I think it's time the stakes were raised.

My Predictions: (please read from an objective standpoint while keeping in mind that my guess is no more valid or accurate than anyone else's)

1. I'm only banking on one, two at most major players dying.
2. Of Clary, Jace, Isabelle, Simon, Alec, and Magnus (the six I consider main characters), my money is on Magnus or Alec, Magnus more than Alec. One of them will die in a self-sacrificing manor for the other, but not quickly enough that they don't have time for a heart-breaking emotionally-manipulative

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goodbye. Yes, it would be sad, but that's the point. Of the six mains, they're probably the least prominent. The death of one would bring the necessary tragedy and oomph without entirely destroying the dynamic of the group. And seeing as Clare has a tendency to revisit, I'm guessing that she'd want to preserve as much of that dynamic as she can. I'm thinking Magnus will be the one to go. He's 800 years old. He's had his time. If he went out gorgeously and dramatically and in the name of true love a la Eponine in Les Miz.... there are worse ends a person can meet. To quote The Smiths, "To die by your side is such a heavenly way to die... the pleasure, the privilege is mine." I like to think Magnus would view it as such.

3. Isabelle will "die" and join Simon in vampire-dom, resulting in a political discussion about ending Downworlder hate and an alliance between Shadowhunters and Downworlders.

4. The other five (four, technically) deaths will be minor characters. Maia and Jordan will go out in battle and die peacefully together, akin to Tonks and Lupin in HP7. They're cute enough characters for their deaths to elicit a wince, maybe a few tears, but to minimal fierce protests or hate mail. Luke and Jocelyn might also end up on the chopping block, to set Clary up as a Harry Potter-esque orphan of war figure.

5. This last one is the one I'm really uncertain about, but also hoping for the most. Sebastian must die. If he doesn't, and if they don't burn or otherwise destroy his dead body, I will be unhappy, because that would mean there's a potential of his return and more books, and I'm sorry, but I'm done. I don't want to read about Clary and Jace and Company anymore because they've had six loong books already (this one's rumored at 700+ pages), and I think it would be best for everyone if Clare said goodbye gracefully. That's not a statement of hate, that's a statement of 'sometimes you just have to let the story end'. Learn from the mistakes of those before you who have tried to needlessly extend franchises (Spielberg, Lucas, etc.), and have the wisdom to understand that it's not the way to go.

Anyway, those are my predictions. Regardless of how it ends, I think we can assume that the MI fandom is headed for dark days and destined to replace the angsty dark humor of the post-Reichenbach Sherlock fandom before it. Brace yourselves for the 'I laughed and then cried' type jokes about a character's death, and highly emotional soppy fanfiction about characters going on without the other half of their OTP. There will be tears, there will be laughs, there will be crazy. Embrace it. Revel in it. This is where it gets fun.

And besides, if things end awfully or you just can't cope with the fact that the series is over, I doubt you'll be in withdrawal for long. Even if Clare doesn't write a book 7, you can bet the Shadowhunter crew will make cameos in her books to come. Even if I'm done with it all, for those willing to stick with her, I'm guessing this is only the beginning.

UPDATE 1/10/13

111 (best number) likes for a little complaining and speculation? Aw, shucks... thanks, all you likers.

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UPDATE 7/2/12

2014?

You kidding me?

I'm not even super excited for City of Heavenly Fire to come out (Lost Souls left me kind of burned out for the whole second trilogy deal), but...

"Expected publication: March 19, 2014"

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I don't like it. YA series don't work that way, Clare; the next installment is supposed to come out about a year after its predecessor. That way anticipation is heightened and everyone has a chance to catch up with the series, without losing interest because the next book is too far away.

Two years... I might grow out of this series by then.

Oh, well. Hope the extra time it takes her to write it means that she's working extra hard on it, and putting a bit more effort into it than it felt like she did with the last two Mortal Instruments books. Hopefully it means Heavenly Fire will bring the glory and happiness that City of Glass brought, when this series ended the first time around.

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ORIGINAL REVIEW

What's with these long titles? 'Fallen Angels' 'Lost Souls' 'Heavenly Fire'... Ridiculous. They don't have that catchy one syllable ring that the previous books did.

What's next? 'City of Eternal Tourment' 'Grave Elements' 'Hell and Damnation'...

Good grief, they're starting to sound like horror movies. ...more

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I'm just praying to God that this is the last one...

Words cannot express how amazing this book was! I will be posting a detailed review up on my youtube channel soon :)

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Read the full review @A Perfection Called Books

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The Writing:

Cassie Clare never ceases to amaze me with her skilled writing. I had no idea how she was going to tie up her all the loose ends and create a satisfying end. Somehow she did it, and better yet, she did it well. I love the deep complex characters, the twisting plots, the humor, the action, the deception, the drama, the wit, and crazy parallels and connections to TID. Her writing is consistent and lovely. The third person POV with switches between characters works really well, and she's really descriptive. I can always picture in my head what's going on in the story. I had no idea what was going to happen in this book. Clare kept me guessing until the end. Everything was just so beautifully written and wonderfully done.

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She's a writing god!!

The Plot:

I love how this book wasted no time. Cassie Clare just went right into it! End of Chapter 1 *BAM* they're going to Idris!! Thank god. I thought I was going to have to wait ten chapter for them to return to the homeland. This book was packed full with awesome elements. There was the perfect blend of action, drama, romance, humor, mystery, adventure, and betrayal. There was a great balance between grave, sad moments and light happy moments. This book is a whooping 725 pages yet somehow this book doesn't seem too slow or fast-paced. Everything was timed out well. Every scene was there for a reason, there weren't any dragging and boring moments. I liked how she wrote it so that not everyone got away unscathed by the end. It wasn't a total HEA but still happy!

The Characters:

I am going to miss all of these characters so so much. These characters have come so far. I'm so proud of them and all they've accomplished and overcome in this series. I love these characters so much, and I can't let them go!

The Romance:

The romance in this book was so adorable. Clace was perfect Clace. They trust, they confide in, they love. They've finally worked out their relationship problems. Sizzy DTRed!! Yay! I love Sizzy but it annoyed me how they never really talked about their feelings. They keep putting it off or just don't talk about it. Malec was amazing. I've never been really crazy about them, but I totally shipped them in this book. They saw their own flaws and fixed them. They came to terms with things and decided to just be happy and be together!

Some Awesome Quotes:

"Heroes aren't always the ones who win," she said. "They're the ones who lose, sometimes. But they keep fighting, they keep coming back. They don't give up. That's what makes them heroes."

"Shadow hunters are the Angel's weapons. Temper us in fire, and we grow stronger. When we suffer, we survive."

"Because the world isn't divided into the special and the ordinary. Everyone has the potential to be extra ordinary."

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The Deaths:

The deaths aren't anywhere near as bad as people claimed them to be. Don't worry you'll survive. You might shed some tears as I did, but trust me, it will all be okay.

^^Karma for some of those deaths

The Humor:

"The guard are there to protect us, not keep us in. Have some perspective.' 'Alec, you've known me for seven years,' said Jace. 'When have I ever had perspective?'"

"'Brother Zachariah,' Isabelle said. 'Months January through December of the Hot Silent Brothers Calendar. Whatâ€™s he doing here?' 'Thereâ€™s a Hot Silent Brothers Calendar?' said Alec. 'Do they sell it?'"

"'You're pining,' said Jace.

Alec shrugged. 'Look who's talking. "oh I love her. Oh, she's my sister. Oh why, why, whyâ€™""

The Climax:

The Denouement:

Jem and Tessa:

Ahh I loved reading the parts with Jem and Tessa. Ugh I kept tearing up when I read so many of those TID references. JESSAMINE. Oh god. And there were Will references all over the place. :(I love how Cassie added Jem and Tessa to the book. Tessa and Jem truly deserve each other. They are such good people and gosh, after everything they've been through they so deserve to be happy. I hope we see a wedding for them sometime in the future. I hope that Tessa tells Jace of their relation and Jem does likewise with Emma. So then they're both not totally alone. AND It's hinted that Jem and Tessa might be in TDA. And they got Church back! :D

The Blackthorns and TDA:

I am so happy that we got to meet the main cast of The Dark Artifices. I love the Blackthorns family

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already! In TMI there was the focus surrounding The Crew (Sizzy, Clace, and Alec) but that was about it. It's going to be fun to read of more people in the main cast all together. All of the characters so far seem so realistic and relatable and adorable and sweet and complex! Emma Carstairs is so awesome! She's like a smaller female version of Jace XD And Julian is so adorable and fiercely protective. With the glittering setting of Los Angeles and chock full of great characters, I am SO EXCITED for Lady Midnight, out Fall 2015.

The Ending:

The ending was truly bittersweet. Not everything in the Shadow World turned out perfectly. There are scars and many mistakes made that might turn into problems later. It was truly "the saddest happy ending." Not everyone came out unscathed. I liked that Cassie Clare didn't make the all-around perfect HEA. In terms of what happened for these characters, I think besides the little hurtful prick/twist they pretty much got their HEAs.

After Finishing The Book:

It's hard to say goodbye to this series. I love how CoHF ends brightly and optimistically. Cassie Clare lets the reader imagine what the future holds for these characters. In that way, these characters will always still be with us, their story still lives on. I know that I will carry this lovely story in my heart for the rest of my life and although TMI is over, we'll always remember. This series has been a wonderful journey that I will never forget. I find it only fitting that I end my review with a quote from Cassie:

"We are the pieces of what we remember. We hold in ourselves the hopes and fears of those who love us. As long as there is love and memory, there is no true loss." -Cassandra Clare

PRE READING:

UPDATE 5/30/14 Finished the book. Crying. Literally crying. Review to come.

Below are some gifs and pics that epitomize my feelings and emotions regarding this finale of my most beloved series.

UPDATE 5/26/14

IT COMES OUT IN A MERE 10.5 HOURS. TWO YEARS OF WAITING IS NOW ALMOST OVER. :D

My plan:

Today sleep from 4-9 PM

Study for school 9-11PM

Read City of Heavenly Fire as it appears on my iPad Stand from 11PM-2AM

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^^Heck yeah.

UPDATE 4/22/14

only 34 days until CoHF!! asdfghjklasdfghjklasdfghjklasdfghjklIIIIIIIIII

UPDATE 4/11/14

Oh my gosh, less than 50 days until CoHF comes out!! *fangirls* I've been waiting for this for so long... And now the time is almost upon us. Will the shadowhunters be able to defeat Sebastian once and for all? Or will they die trying?

UPDATE 1/1/14

CITY OF HEAVENLY FIRE WILL BE 733 GLORIOUS PAGES AND COMES OUT IN LESS THAN FIVE MONTHS :0
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UPDATE 1/16/14

THE BEAUTIFUL COVER:

I. Want. This. Now.

My concerns:

My reactions:

To sum up my emotions:

City of Heavenly Fire, I. Am. Ready. ...more

- 1.) City of Bones â~ ...â~ ...â~ ...
- 2.) City of Ashes â~ ...â~ ...
- 3.) City of Glass â~ ...â~ ...â~ ...
- 1.) Clockwork Angel â~ ...â~ ...â~ ...
- 4.) City of Fallen Angels â~ ...
- 2.) Clockwork Prince â~ ...â~ ...â~ ...â~ ...

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5.) City of Lost Souls

3.) Clockwork Princess

“You are the blade of Heaven. Make sure you are worthy.”

Friends, we did it, we read all of the *The Infernal Devices* and *The Mortal Instruments*. I'd like to take a moment and thank each and every one of you who motivated me to read this backlist instead of just jumping into *The Dark Artifices*. Seriously, 1.) *City of Bones*

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Basically, if you are on the fence about starting this series, and not sure what it is about, this is a story about a paranormal world that is hidden from the mundanes (non-magical humans). We see vampires, werewolves, fae *swoons forever still*, angels, demons, and everything else you think of when you think paranormal. And we also are introduced to the world of shadowhunters, the warriors who are sworn to defeat the demons.

But this is also a story that puts friendship at the forefront constantly. This is a tale about found families, choosing who you want to share your life with, and realizing that neither of those things require the same blood. This is a book about unconditional love, and selflessness, and doing anything you can to protect those you care about. And you follow so many different characters, friend groups, and families along the way.

“There will always be those who want to tell you who you are based on your name or the blood in your veins. Do not let other people decide who you are. Decide for yourself.”

And there is just something so beautiful about seeing all these stories, characters, and families intertwine. All these bloodlines mixing truly feels like something so special to read. I don't compare things to *Harry Potter* too often, but I will say that the feeling I had while flipping these pages, never wanting to stop, excitedly purchasing the next book, it was all so reminiscent of my *Harry Potter* experience. And there is really no higher praise that I can give a book series than that.

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I loved this final story. I believe with my whole heart and soul that Cassandra Clare just kept improving throughout all of these books. And I have only the highest of hopes for what she will do next. But the rest of my review is going to touch on a couple key things that happened in this book and things that have happened in previous books, so please use caution reading the rest of this review if you have not read this book and its predecessors! And as always, I'm going to do a little mini character breakdown on my thoughts and feelings on all the main characters in this book. Spoilers ahead!

I think sometimes we are reckless with our hearts the way we are with our lives. When we give them away, we give every piece.

(I could not find the artist's name, I'm so sorry, but I found this amazing picture on Pinterest!)

½ Jace - I didn't hate Jace in this book. Damn. There. I said it. Are you happy now? Again, I think Cassie Clare just gets better and better at writing as these books go on, and I was legit happy with Jace's character, even his pervy dude scenes, because #relatable. But my beautiful friend, Lea, pointed out that Jace brought a condom to Hell and I honestly died of laughter for about five minutes. I aspire to the level of confident that Jace has to not only think he could put it in while in hell, but to also bring protection just in case. But like! I'm here forever and always for safe sex portrayal, especially for teens, even in Hell, my good dudes.

½ Clary - I feel like I've never fallen in love with Clary the way that I have with other characters from this world, but I've never disliked her. And I really like how Jace took a backseat and trusted her to finish her own story. Also, I love how she used her power at the end, because I always forget what a badass power it is.

½ Simon - My sweet, kind, geeky, selfless boy. Simon honestly might be my favorite of this entire world. And him constantly willing to sacrifice parts of himself for his friends, you all! I need all the tissues in the world. He is friendship goals, boyfriend goals, and just human goals. This boy deserves the world.

I don't want the world. I want you.

(Beautiful fanart by taratjaht!)

½ Isabelle - And Izzy is truly my world. I think Cassie Clare did such a wonderful job crafting her character to break all those gross "mean girl" stereotypes. Izzy is hard and soft, confident and unsure, and beautiful inside and out. Her friendship with Clary in this one also made me really weak. But her realizing she actually loves this selfless vampire, this kind dork, and sweet boy! you all, it is still breaking me. Sizzy 4 lyfe!

½ Magnus - Okay, be honest, how messed up am I that I really enjoyed seeing Magnus' dad? Like, damn. I'm impressed and want to know everything about Asmodeus. Magnus was amazing, like

always, even though he lost his cat. Ahhh, my heart! But I can't wait to see what happened in Peru, and some more of his adventures, in The Bane Chronicles!

½ Alec - I wasn't the biggest fan of Jace or Alec until this book. Alec was a realistic eighteen-year-old that just had his heart broken, to me. And he was actually amazing throughout this entire story, while showing us all the things he is struggling with deep down. Also, his dad is a fucking asshole even after he was like my best friend, who was a dude, loved me and I told him to fuck off! Like, I'm sorry, was that supposed to make me like you and realize you are tolerant of your kid being gay? Miss me with that shit forever, please. But Alec was, and is, going through a lot, and he was still able to tell Magnus what he wanted and what his limits were at the end of this book. Like, I think I finally ship them together.

½ Emma - Okay, let's be real, she is Jace junior, BUT 102 times better. But I instantly loved her and wanted her to be protected. I can't even imagine the grief or trauma she went through and is still going through. And I can't wait to learn more about her, while she hopefully learns more about her ancestry.

½ Julian - Legit, these kids are like thirteen-years-old and I'm like "cedon't become parabatai, you're soulmates!" like an insane person. I can already tell that Emma and Jules are going to give me all the feels when they are older. And their writing on each other? Cutest, most pure shit in the entire world. And Julian wanting to be there and raise his brother and sisters when he is just a kid himself? What a sweetheart, and I'm ready to protect him at all costs.

½ Brother Zachariah - Legit, this character made me cry more than any. From saying where his home was, to asking if someone might play the violin. My heart, I can't. And I am most excited to see where his storyline goes. And to see him talk about his past with a few young shadowhunters.

"Ghosts are memories, and we carry them because those we love do not leave the world"

½ Luke - I've loved Luke from City of Bones and I loved him through the last page of this book. Legit the best dad, and he deserves the entire galaxy.

½ Jocelyn - I honestly just came to hate Clary's mom more and more as this series progressed. Luke is too damn good for her. She not only was a shitty mom to Sebastian, but she was to Clary, too. And hearing her say all that horrible shit about how she wished she could kill him in the crib and stuff. Like, I get it, he's evil, but can you like not say shit like that? Fuck. Maybe he didn't get all his evil from Voldemort Valentine.

½ Mark - At the start of this book, learning that he was half fae, I instantly fell in love. Seriously, I need to know everything about this hunt, and I'm praying that it will be touched upon more!

½ Helen - At the start of this book, learning that she was half fae AND QUEER, I instantly fell in love. I felt so bad for her at the end of this book because of how she was treated for being half something

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else, but I can't wait to learn any and everything about her.

½ Aline - In my review for City of Glass I wrote, 'is this new character Asian and queer? Because, I think she is, and I think I'm head over heels in love with her already.' AND MY SENSES JUST KNEW! JUST KNEW! I bet this character ends up being one of my favorites.

(Gorgeous fanart by DREI SJ!)

½ Jordan - His death was actually my least favorite thing about this book. And don't get it wrong; I hated him from the first time I realized who he was. But the way Cassie made him and Maia so in love, to only realize that fans were probably like, 'yo, this some abuse apologist bullshit' so she killed him off and

½ Maia - 'Maia realized she never could have been happy with him? Like, no. Sorry. That's not how it was written. And it's so messed up because I should be so happy that at least the abuse apologist storyline is over, but it just makes me angry how much it got swept under the rug. Especially because Maia is like one of four characters of color. I don't know, friends. I just, I didn't like it. Oh, and then she is obviously going to just jump into another relationship with the Bat dude? Like, why does Cassie Clare treat the character of Maia so poorly? It felt so forced and I felt so much cringe while reading it. But I do love how she is in charge of the pack now, so hopefully I enjoy her in other books.

½ Raphael - Oh and then one of the other three characters of colors dies? Feels bad, man. Especially because I was really starting to feel for Raphael. Poor guy just got dealt such a bad hand in life. But I can't wait to see his past with Magnus in The Bane Chronicles.

½ Maureen - This death actually made me sad, too. Like, she didn't even have a chance. They couldn't have captured her and done something? Like, how heartbreaking. Seriously.

½ Seelie Queen - Okay, but where did this bitch go? I literally gasped when I found out who was warming her bed. I'm still not over it.

½ Kaelie Whitewillow - We are all rooting for you!

½ Sebastian - You all, I really came to like Sebastian's character. Was he a little extreme? Yes. Does Cassie Clare love threatening incest? Yes. But even before the evil left him, I felt a lot of empathy for him. He really is the product of growing up with no love, and it really doesn't have to do with his demon blood. Maybe it's my age while I'm reading these for the first time or something, but I actually felt a great deal of sadness from Sebastian, and I think he was a really good villain in this book because of the emotions he was able to evoke from me.

So, to summarize, Jace and Clary did it in Hell (protected), Simon and Izzy are the OTP of my dreams, Magnus and Alec deserve all the happiness in the world, I better get more of this fae hunt society thing with Mark, Emma and Julian are already killing me, Sebastian was wild and evil but I still felt bad for him, Maia is a hot mess but it's Cassie's fault, Raphael deserved better, and all I want is Alline and Helen to rule the shadowhunter world. It has been a wild ride, friends.

Overall, I am so happy you all convinced me to read this series, instead of just jumping into Lady Midnight. This book in particular gives you so much new information and characters, I think you'd for sure be doing yourself a disservice if you didn't read at least this book. The road might have started out a little rocky for this series, but I really did come to love it with my whole heart. Simon and Izzy are in my top five OTPs of all-time, Magnus is one of my favorite characters in all of literature, and I already need to know more about everything fae! I can't wait to continue on with The Bane Chronicles!

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