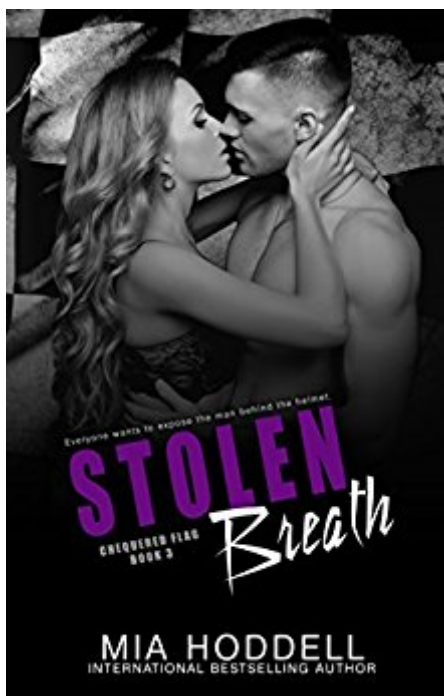


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# Stolen Breath (Chequered Flag Book 3)



## Synopsis

My name is Zeke Lawson, but you probably know that already because everyone's heard of me. I'm the bad boy of Formula One. The player. The heartbreaker. At least that's what I allow people to believe. The truth is too precious to be tarnished by reporters, and no matter what my fans think, they don't deserve access to every detail of my life. It's just a shame Nadine Hadley doesn't see it that way. She's writing the feature every driver longs for on me--the one that can make your career. The only problem is she wants more than I'm willing to give her ... and she's playing dirty to get it. Flirtatious smiles, skimpy dresses, sex: Nadine is using my reputation against me, and it's working. No man could resist her, especially when she swears not to print my story. So now I'm in too deep. I want her more than anything, yet falling for a journalist may cost me the one thing I vowed to protect. Although, that seems insignificant when compared to another issue I face this racing season. Did I forget to mention someone is trying to kill me?

Recommended for ages 17+ due to language and mature content. Each book in the Chequered Flag series can be read as a standalone and is complete with a HEA. Chequered Flag books are sport romances with elements of suspense, and are written with British spelling and grammar.

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Wow. I am absolutely blown away and utterly speechless after finishing this story.

It's one of those stories that leaves you thinking, and thinking, and thinking some more. I think this book, out of the other two, was a little darker, was a little more sad, but met with just as much if not more sweetness and love. This couple is a couple I enjoyed reading about. They are both very stubborn and that characteristic makes for an incredibly fun read if written right. Their characters are delicate in their own right but full of life and full of vigor. They love hard and fight for what they love even harder. This story allowed me an escape from reality and allowed me to relax, and enjoy what I was reading. It gave me a few really good belly laughs that might have earned me a few weird looks. Okay, there were definitely more than a few belly laughs going on. It painted a picture of exactly what the author was telling us as I read the words and it painted such a beautiful, innocent, sensual picture. It was perfection with a few bumps and bruises on the way. There is no question whether or not I enjoyed reading this story and whether or not you should read it. This author writes amazing stories and really knows how to get you to fall in love with her characters. My only complaint is that currently I'm done reading this series until book 4 release, take a moment after you have read this story, and give her a shout and let her know just how much you are ready for book 4 so I can get my hands on it!!

Stolen Breath is the second book I have read in The Chequered Flag series by Mia Hoddell and as much as I loved Chameleon Soul, this story topped it and has me wanting to go back and read Twisted Mind. Mia's writing draws me in and leaves me wanting to know about all the characters and how they intertwine with each other. The feels this story brings out, one minute you will be feeling the heat from the passion, then upset at the pride in these two characters, then worried with the suspense of who is out to hurt our hero and then the heartache that our hero is trying to keep to himself. Zeke Lawson is one character that I fell for immediately, even though I knew he is the bad boy, manwhore and heart breaker from the group of guys on the Formula One team. His personality comes off strong, flirty and demanding, the one thing about Zeke that I love is that he does not lie or play games with women. He keeps his past to himself those memories are for him and a few others to cherish. Being the bad boy in racing is how he wants his fans to see him that is until a magazine is planning to have a feature to be written up on him. The journalist following him around will be the one woman who he seems to not be able to stop thinking about since their one night stand at their

best friends wedding. Nadine Hadley, loves her job and is given the opportunity to write an exclusive feature on the racing world's hottest bad boy. Too bad she had already slept with him and keeping things professional just might be harder than she thought. With someone out to hurt Zeke, finding out about his past and trying to keep her heart from being broken, will she be able to stay true to herself and write a story highlighting Zeke or could this be the story that tears them apart? I loved everything about this story, the chemistry between Zeke and Nadine, is funny, sexy and heartfelt. I can't believe how much I wanted more of them, more from this group of characters. Mia Hoddell has made me a fan and I recommend this series wholeheartedly. 5 stars must read.

"He had the power to break my heart, only I knew he wouldn't because he was a good guy. Despite everything he showed the media, deep down he cared and loved with all of his heart. It now made sense as to why he reacted so badly when I even considered writing an article on the man beneath the helmet. He hadn't been worried about ruining his image, he just didn't want his love with Josie tarnished by media stories and gossip. It was admirable. Very few people in Zeke's position kept things to themselves anymore. They lapped up all of the publicity they could, riding the media wave while they had their moment in the limelight to eke out every last penny. But not Zeke. He treasured her memory enough to keep it to himself and I respected him for his loyalty. It was clear from the emotion in his voice how much he thought of her."Death comes to all at some time or another, but the concept is never truly understood. What is the deciding factor to who leaves this earth and at what time? Some die young, some die old. Hoddell captivates her readers with a heartfelt second chance romance. This story is insightful, compassionate and emotionally heart-wrenching. By reading the words that Hoddell writes in this third installment of the Chequered Flag Series, readers are able to comprehend the weaknesses and strengths through unimaginable love and loss. What starts out as a one-night stand, quickly becomes more for Zeke and Nadine. Nadine, the beautiful sports reporter. Zeke, the famous professional racer in Formula One. Nadine has been assigned to shadow Zeke for a story on the man behind the helmet but when Zeke lets her in and shares his past with her, can she keep it out of the paper? Both individuals find solace in each other's company, but neither one of them realizes that they are falling until it is too late. After winning second place in a race, Zeke comes back to his and Nadine's hotel to find an article on her laptop that lays everything out about what he has been trying so hard to keep hidden from the press about his past. Could Nadine really betray him? When she tries to explain herself, he shuts down. Everything fades away and all he knows is that Nadine is first and foremost a reporter.

He gave his heart out and she broke him. Was it all just a lie to get a story? Again, Hoddell seems to fluently understand the psychological aspect of her characters in this third installment. It is apparent that a great deal of research has been completed in order to make these characters credible or plausible in a balanced fashion. Zeke has made a reputation of being a lady's man, bringing a different girl to his hotel room every night. It is unfathomable that he would have anything to hide until Nadine shows him that he can be challenged. The emotions that cultivate with this relationship come from a deep pain from his past, an understanding forms that was never there before. The author is very descriptive in her wording, allowing her characters to become extremely convincing. It would not be difficult to find sympathy for several of these characters along the way. Not only does the author succeed in character development and originality, she has created an understanding for her readers of what an emotional breakdown and reconstruction consists of. It's not easy! A loss so tragic is what binds both individuals together, but strength can prevail if you are willing. Due to the psychological insights and intensity of the story •Hoddell has a mesmerizing novel that will shed some light on what it takes to remember that love conquers all and can be the strength to move forward in the darkest of days. If you are a reader of new adult and college as well as psychological fiction, this may interest you. A copy of this book was provided to Turning Another Page by the author, but this in no way affects our honest opinion of the book or the review that has been written.

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