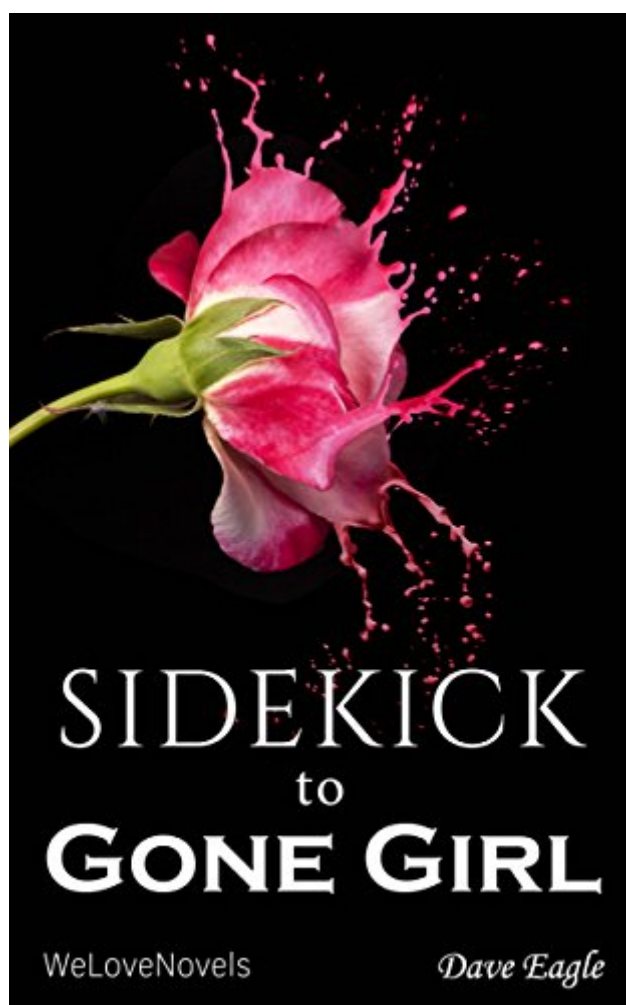


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Sidekick - Gone Girl: By Gillian Flynn



Synopsis

Can you get enough of Gillian Flynn's *Gone Girl*? Immerse yourself in her world, discover hidden treasures, and hang out with Nick and Amy just a little longer with this Sidekick. Warning: This is an independent companion to *Gone Girl*, meant to enhance your experience of the novel. If you have not yet bought Gillian Flynn's novel, make sure to purchase it before buying this unofficial Sidekick. In 2012, Gillian Flynn took readers by storm with a mystery so unforgettable it spent 8 weeks on the New York Times bestseller list. *Gone Girl* was praised by fans and critics alike, receiving rave reviews in *The New York Times*, *New Yorker*, *People Magazine*, and *Time*. With this Sidekick, you will:

- Delve deep into the psyches and hidden motives of Nick and Amy
- Learn what you might have missed on your first read of Flynn's novel
- Uncover some of the book's secret gems and underlying themes
- Explore possible alternate endings and imagine ideas for a sequel
- Get a chance to discuss the novel and movie with other savvy *Gone Girl* readers

Sidekicks are entertaining and insightful reading companions, filled with delightful commentary and thought-provoking questions. Readers have raved that Dave Eagle "breaks down the book beautifully" to "keep you entertained even longer." Others have said that his Sidekick is "perfect if you want a vivid understanding of the story" because it "really puts you in touch with the many layers of the novel." Designed to be read side by side with the novels they complement, they will give you even more reasons to love some of today's best books.

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Customer Reviews

After reading "Gone Girl" I wanted more understanding of the setting and characters. This sidekick does a great job in offering insight to the setting and characters. It adds to the story and I particularly like the discussion prompts. In that way, this book offered a perfect balance of insight, reflection, and dialogue. The themes seem obvious upon deeper reflection, and as I read along I was left remembering specific events and interactions that I hadn't quite picked up on before. The book is split into easy to navigate sections. Those that deal specifically with the plot follow chronological order and after the plot is covered, it moves on to evaluate alternate endings, themes and symbols you may have missed, character analysis, and more. While I enjoyed the examination the plot, and loved exploring the alternate endings section, I was intrigued most by the themes and symbols missed. Reading the symbolism between the characters and Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn it seems like an obvious "easter egg" of sorts. In the end, I would recommend this to people that have read "Gone Girl" and, like me, are left wanting just a little more. Remember: Since there are spoilers, you should be familiar with "Gone Girl" prior to reading this Sidekick novel. You will learn more than you thought you knew about it and with book recommendations at the end you can learn about other similar books that you would enjoy to keep you entertained even longer.

Not very interesting, not very insightful. This was my first (and probably last) Sidekick. I expected a lot more. Read it in the time it took my son to fall asleep tonight (15 minutes!?). Not worth it.

The novel "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn seems to have become a phenomenal hit and now with a movie the sky is the limit. But as a reader the book as a murder mystery thriller seems to beg to be analyzed and dissected by literary lovers and book clubs everywhere. Eagle has done just that with this remarkable unofficial sidekick to the novel. He breaks the book down beautifully in detail in the chapter synopses giving us a deeper look into the plot and characterization of Amy and Nick Dunne. I love the prompts throughout the book drawing the reader into discussions on Facebook making it more like a book club discussion. Clearly the suggested alternative endings are perfect for debate and discussion. The theme and symbols gives the reader pause with an ah-ha moment of the comparison to Mark Twain's famous characters. The character analysis is amazing. It is a

short analysis but very in-depth. Equally good is how the author includes other books the reader may enjoy if they loved *Gone Girl*. Clearly Eagle did his homework to write such an exceptional guide. His writing style is enjoyable as he gives us his readers an ability to really take the novel to a completely different level. Overall I highly recommend this sidekick as it is perfect for an individual's deeper study but excellent as a companion guide for book clubs' discussions. This would also be great for literary or writing classes doing an in-depth study on the novel. So if you plan to read *Gone Girl* and really want to get into the heart of the novel than this is a must have companion guide.

I have a tendency to rush through new books, particularly good ones, like a man in the desert does water. I can't help myself. I'm just so excited to find out what happens next I fly through it. Well I did that with *Gone Girl* too. I picked up a copy from my library and was done with it in two nights. It was fantastic. I told a co-worker and she asked me about a particular incident. The problem in, I couldn't remember what it was. While I raced through the material, I didn't really retain any of it. So back to square one. I picked up *Gone Girl* for my Kindle and this sidekick. My co-worker recommended it. I've used books like this before. I've found that they really work best when you read them along with the book. The chapter guides help you notice themes and nuances throughout the book. The plot and character analysis at the end help to take what you've read and get you thinking a step further. The Margo observations were refreshing when so much focuses on Amy and Nick. I also enjoyed the alternate ending and sequel ideas. This book doesn't do the thinking for you. It encourages you to think further and come up with some of your own ideas while laying a foundation. I found it to be an excellent companion to an excellent book.

I am very pleased with Dave Eagle's *Gone Girl: A Sidekick to Gillian Flynn's novel*. Everyone is reading Flynn's book in anticipation of the release of the upcoming movie *Gone Girl*. It is being read by 2 of the book clubs I participate in. Eagle really does a great job of breaking everything down for you. The Sidekick is broken down into sections Exploring The Authors Fictional World, Eagle really delves into the two protagonists characters Amy and Nick Dunn. The Plot Summary Analysis gives you a brief, but very deep analysis of what is going on throughout the plot and with the characters involved. I also found it enjoyable the Facebook discussions you could join so readers could chime in on their thoughts through social media. I thought that was awesome. The book also offers alternate endings as well as themes and symbols. I could go on and on, but I don't want to spoil it for anyone. I look forward to bringing the Sidekick into my book clubs and sharing it. I mean just the

alternate endings alone would give us hours of discussions. I would definitely recommend this as a companion to *Gone Girl* By Gillian Flynn. This book real puts you in touch with the many layers of the novel. I would highly recommend.

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