



## Cracked: A Danny Cleary Novel

**Barbra Leslie**

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First in an intense trilogy from Barbra Leslie, *Cracked* introduces Danny Cleary, a paradoxically strong and intelligent young woman hooked on crack cocaine. Intent on escaping the pain and depression of an emotional divorce by smoking away her savings, Danny's hidden drug abuse is cast into the light when news arrives that her beloved twin sister, Ginger, has died suddenly. Danny and her rockstar brother, Darren, race from coast to coast, vowing to avenge Ginger's suspected murder, but Danny is struggling to keep her addiction fed while surrounded by cops, killers, kidnappers, and well-meaning siblings.

Self-aware, self-deprecating, and self-destructive, Danny is a new breed of heroine, fiercely loyal to her family and committed to getting to the bottom of Ginger's tragic death while trolling seedy bars for her next score and engaging in scandalous behavior. Danny's repentant yet unapologetic style will appeal to all the rebels and rule breakers out there, or anyone determined to live life on their own terms, come what may.

Teeming with twists and turns, the action continues to gain momentum throughout Danny and Darren's tumultuous attempts at sleuthing and revenge. *Cracked* is a rollercoaster from start to finish, an addictive ride that will leave fans jonesing for the Clearys' next adventure.

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