

APPENDIX I

BIOGRAPHY OF SOPHIE MCKENZIE

Sophie McKenzie was born and brought up in London, where she still lives in spite of the noise and the dirt and the crowds. At school in South-East London her favorite subjects were English and History – but her best memories are of the times when she took part in school plays. As a teenager she did loads of part-time jobs, working as, among other things, a waitress, a shop assistant and even an usherette in a West End theatre. For a while she thought it would be fun to be an actor, then she realized how totally unsuited in almost every way she was to that career and, once she finished university, she became a journalist instead.

In 2003 she became redundant from her job and to cheer up she decided to try a few things she'd always thought would be fun but had never found the time to do properly before. That September she started a Writing for Children course at the City Literary Institute in London.

Her first book took her over a year and half to complete as she struggled with the difficulties of writing fictional stories. In the end, however, after receiving feedback from friends and peers, she secured a publishing deal for *Girl, Missing* from Simon and Schuster Children's Books. The success of that first book launched a prolific career in children's literature.

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SYNOPSIS OF SWEETFREAK

Carey and Amelia have been best friends forever. Then Amelia starts being trolled by SweetFreak, a mysterious and hateful online account, and Carey is accused of being behind the vicious comments and threats. As expected, her life went spiraling out of control. She got nothing but utter contempt from her peers, the authorities never once tried to back her up, nobody could ever trust her anymore after that and she got her friendship endangered thanks to that incident. The very thing that still made her to keep on going is her tenacity and strong belief that she's able to prove her innocence to everybody; which in retrospect is a very difficult thing to do considering all the factors that played out before and afterwards.

Shut out by her other friends and shunned by Amelia, Carey is determined to clear her name and find out who's really sending the messages. Unfortunately, with nobody to trust and people can't keep believing her every word, it's a very daunting task to do if Carey could finally able to resolve the problem. And it will take a sheer amount of courage for her to face the reality behind all these problems in the end.