

HER SPARK OF HOPE

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(This was made In Adobe Illustrator and the picture is my own that I took personally)

2) Story Premise –

Valen Williams is a strong-willed, independent, and successful woman. She's got the perfect job, a new house she just moved into; her life seems perfect, right? But what happens when strange anonymous gifts start appearing at work and then in her home? She will have to put all her faith into an ex and three people she barely knows to keep her safe.

3) Historical Background Information or Timeline –

Valen and Jamie were high school sweethearts and dated throughout most of high school. When they graduated, they decided to part ways simply because their life plans didn't match up anymore. Valen wanted to stay in North Carolina where her friends and family are and do real state, Jamie wanted to go to Florida to college and then start up a private security company because that was his passion. The breakup ended civilly, and Jamie and Valen still remained friends though the two talked less and less as time went on until the stalking started then Jamie was, he first person Valen called because she knew he would be able to keep her safe. Raina has been Best friends with Valen since they were in middle school. Growing up together made the two girls very close like sisters. Though she is Valens best friend she has been harboring a secret hatred for Valen and her relationship with Jamie. Raina was jealous and wanted Jamie to be hers so when Valen and Jamie broke up that sent Raina over the edge into a madden state that no one knew about. Raina unbeknownst to Valen or anybody really devised a plan to get rid of Valen by basically selling her best friend on a black-market site as a Mail order bride to a Chinese

investor. So, because of Raina's jealousy, Valens life is in danger. On top of that Jamie and Valen get to reconnect and are still close though they've found other people to love.

4) Main Character(s)

Provide a character biography and description for the protagonist. This would be a good time to review that Character Planning Sheet! Include image if one is available/applicable – see the notes at the bottom of the outline. An image increases engagement, interest, and encourages visualization of your story elements. 350 words minimum

Valen Williams is 5'2", She is head strong and knows exactly what she wants in life. That strong will can get her into trouble sometimes like when she waits to call Jamie about the stalker. A vulnerable side is shown in the beginning of the story when she gets scared by the stalker and calls the only person, she knows can help her, her ex-Jamie. But She cares deeply about her family and friends and would go to the ends of the earth for them. Valen has many sides to her, and it is shown through her interactions with each of The Hounds. With Dean she is more carefree and adventurous and that's how they bond as friends. With Seth she is just laid back and kind of nerds out over movies, video games, and tech because that's how they bond as friends. Now with Roman she is different because she likes him, she pushes the boundaries of his authority to see what he will do its almost as if she testing to see how much he cares about her.

5) Supporting Characters

Jamie Hernandez is Valens High school sweetheart. and the head of his own private security company. He is 5'7" he keeps fit but isn't bulky. He has chocolate brown eyes, and light brown hair. He is also smart and caring individual, when he and Valen ended their relationship he told her to call him if she ever needs anything that he would be there for her. So, he still cares for her even though they didn't work out relationship wise. He intends to keep that promise to be there for her and keep her safe.

The Hounds are the top three guys at Jamie's security firm they consist of Roman, Dean, and Seth. Seth is the techie of the group he is really smart and is a wiz at cyber security. He's stands 6'1" and has a fit build. Dean is more the wildcard, he's a scrapper and always loves a good fist fight. Dean is 6'4" and is thinner Fit build. Roman is the Leader and brute force of the group he's smart and always has multiple back up plans. He stands 6'3" and is bulky but not body builder on steroids bulky. More of a he works hard in the gym bulk.

6) Locations -

Provide a description of three major locations in your world. Include images if possible.

100 words minimum each location.

Charlotte, North Carolina is where the story starts and ends because this is where Valen lives and where the Stalker is supposed to come to collect Valen. Now the start of the story takes place at Valen's place of work and then her place of residents this is mostly to show the gifts she receives and what leads up to her going to Orlando for protection. The end of the story takes place here

when it is made know that the stalker is a Chinese Investor, and that Valen's Best friend is behind the why the Investor is after her.

Orlando, Florida is where the middle of the story takes place. This is because Jamie's Security Company is located in Orlando Florida. So, when Valen Calls Jamie he immediately has her get on a private plane and fly done to Orlando Florida so he can talk to her in person about what is going on and also so his team can protect her while figuring out who is after her. During her time in Orlando Valen has a close call where she is almost taken in a public place. This incident is what puts The Hounds on the trail of the Investor and leads to them traveling back to North Carolina.

8) Story Synopsis –

The story starts with Valen getting random anonymous presents at work, such a jewelry and flowers this goes on for weeks. But then Valen comes home one day to a mattress being delivered and people are putting it in her bedroom when she gets home from work. This unnerves Valen terribly because no one outside of family should know the code to get into her house. Valen calls the police who tell her they cannot do anything for her. So scared for her safety, she calls Jamie her high school sweetheart, who owns his own private security firm. After telling him everything that's been going on, Jamie arranges for Valen to fly down to Orlando immediately. Once in Orlando Valen meets with Jamie and learns she will have a security detail assigned to her, The Hounds, She, will live with the three men Roman, Dean and Seth until they can figure out what is going on. Valen is in Orlando about three or four weeks before a lead comes to light that has The Hounds, Jamie, and Valen heading back to Charlotte. Back in Charlotte the Valen learns of her best friend Raina's jealousy of her relationship with Jamie.

Also, that curtesy of Raina the stalker it turns out is a Chinese Investor that has Bought Valen as a mail order bride.

9) Story Excerpt -

"V go get on the boat; I'll meet you on the other side of the Lake." Said Dean.

"No! I am not going to leave you here to fight." Valen said panic seeping in.

Dean sighed and looked over his should the attackers were getting closer.

"Valen! You are going to get on that boat and not look back understand!" Dean screamed as he took her face between his hands.

After a moment Valen shook her head yes as tears poured down her cheeks she ran to the boat.

Looking back out of fear she saw dean was outnumbered she picked up her phone and yelled at

Seth on the other end that Dean needed help.

"Help is on its way Valen, you've got to calm down everything will be fine." Seth said in an attempt to calm Valen.

As the boat pulled up to the other side of the lake, pushing through the people she Scanned the crowd until she saw Dean relief washed over her. Running up to him she launched herself into him and hugged him tight. Untangling herself from him she immediately started looking over him to make sure he was okay. He had a cut on his cheek but other than that he looked okay. The drive home was quiet except for the occasional sniffle from Valen. Dean was shaking he had never had anyone worried about his safety. He was baffled that she wanted to stay just so he wasn't alone in a fight.