



Critical Threat:

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How to Catch a Serial Killer When It Is Personal

“This book is an edge-of-your-seat suspense thriller from start to finish. . . . Eason, a seasoned suspense author, has no trouble developing the plot flawlessly over the pages. With great character development and enough excitement to keep readers hooked.”

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Booklist has stated that Lynette Eason is a “master of inspirational romantic suspense.” Her more than sixty novels offer the perfect balance of fast-paced thrills with just the right blend of romance that keeps readers longing for more. In *Critical Threat*, the third volume in the Extreme Measure series, Eason ramps up the action once again. Readers will have trouble catching their breath as they plunge into a breakneck race to stop a serial killer.

FBI Special Agent Grace Billingsley tracks serial killers, using her skills as a psychiatrist and behavioral analyst to get dangerous people off the street and safely behind bars. But prison psychiatrist Sam Monroe knows that just because a killer is incarcerated doesn’t mean they’re not a threat. His own father, Peter, is a serial killer—in prison but certainly not out of Sam’s life, as much as he wishes he was.

When bodies start showing up with Peter’s MO, Sam and Grace are both called in to consult. They’ve met before—and though Grace thought they’d made a real connection, Sam ghosted her. They’ll have to get past the awkwardness and mistrust to solve this case—especially because it’s about to get personal.

Buckle up for another extreme ride with *USA Today* bestselling author, Lynette Eason.

About the Author



Lynette Eason is the *USA Today* bestselling author of *Life Flight* and *Crossfire*, as well as the Danger Never Sleeps, Blue Justice, Women of Justice, Deadly Reunions, Hidden Identity, and Elite Guardians series. She is the winner of three ACFW Carol Awards, the Selah Award, and the Inspirational Reader's Choice Award, among others. She is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and has a master's degree in education from Converse College. Eason lives in South Carolina with her husband and two children. Learn more at www.lynetteeason.com.

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PRAISE for the Extreme Measure Series:

“The hair-raising second installment. . . . Expertly plotted and relentlessly paced, the narrative drives home its message that ‘God is there to get us through whatever we have to face.’ . . . This high-octane thriller keeps up the momentum through the final page.”

—*Publishers Weekly* on *Crossfire*

“Lynette Eason has blown me out of the water. She took my heart through a roller coaster of emotions with *Crossfire*. *Crossfire* by Lynette Eason is a model for the romantic suspense genre. I should just say she’s one of the best authors of the genre today.”

—*Life Is Story* on *Crossfire*

“Romantic suspense star Eason’s latest grabs you by the throat and doesn’t let go; readers will have a hard time putting it down long enough to focus on real life. . . . This sweet but thrilling romance is a great start to Eason’s Extreme Measures series and may also be her best book yet.”

—*Booklist* on *Life Flight*, Starred Review



Sample Interview Questions for *Critical Threat*

***Critical Threat* is the third volume in your Extreme Measure series. What inspired the idea for this series?**

Honestly, I never really know how to answer this question. I simply do a lot of brainstorming with different authors and friends, throw it against the wall, and see what sticks. There wasn't any one thing that I can say inspired the series. Just a lot of great ideas during a brainstorming session that turned into this series.

What is the connecting element for all the books in this series?

The four friends who all met as teenagers in juvie on the West Coast.

Your main protagonists, FBI Special Agent Grace Billingsley and prison psychiatrist Sam Monroe, must work together to stop a serial killer. What is the relationship between them?

Grace is a behavioral analyst. She's actually also a psychiatrist but uses her skills in a somewhat different way than Sam. Their relationship is one of mutual respect, lots of attraction, and a desperate desire to find a serial killer before he finds them first.

Sam's father, Peter, plays a key role in *Critical Threat*. Can you please tell us more about his character?

Peter is a serial killer. He's been in prison for a while, and Sam is very happy to never speak to the man again. Of course, as the story plays out, he has to not only speak to him but ask for his help.

Are there any particular themes that play out in *Critical Threat*?

I think the theme of forgiveness is a big one. It's one that tends to show up on a regular basis in my books. Maybe because I need it on a regular basis. And also, not judging people. You never know what people are going through, so it's better not to judge based on appearance. Actually, it's best not to judge at all.

You have several sources that you utilize to verify the accuracy of your books. Can you please tell us about some of your sources?

I have so many wonderful resources, but two of my main resources are my FBI buddies. One of them is a former agent, who is now retired. He reads each one of my stories and gives me feedback. For the medical stuff, I have two physician friends; and for the military stuff, I have yet even more friends. Friends are a great thing to have.

You have written over sixty romantic suspense novels. How do you come up with the ideas for your novels?

I tend to brainstorm with people and see what works. My editor is a fantastic brainstormer—and she knows what she wants to buy—so I often hash things out with her too.

What do you love most about writing in the romantic suspense genre?

That the good guys always win in the end.

Can you please tell readers when they can expect the final volume in the Extreme Measure series?

Countdown, the final book in the series, is set to release August 2023.

How can readers connect with you?

As always, readers can reach me through my website at www.lynetteeason.com, on Facebook www.facebook.com/lynette.eason, and twitter @lynetteeason.