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Siobhan Quinn—who goes by Quinn—is the ultimate unreliable narrator. Homeless from a young age, an unabashed junkie, she's gotten a reputation as a monster hunter. She's taken out a few ghouls, a vampire or two, and is even friends with a bridge troll. Problem is, all of those confirmed kills were just pure accident. But still, there's enough of a shine on Quinn's repuation that an underworld crime lord, the mysterious Mr. B., has taken her under his wing for reasons of his own, which may or may not be the ones Quinn thinks. When Quinn manages to take out another vampire, this time on purpose, she makes herself a very dangerous enemy, however, and starts a chain of events that leads to being bitten by first a werewolf and then a vampire, making her something of an abomination even by supernatural terms. And to make it worse, she's somehow being controlled by her vampire maker, known as the Bride of Quiet, who's using her to exact a complicated scheme of her own. Now Quinn has to get a handle on her new life—or unlife, as the case may be—and fast, before she ends u dead for good.

Dark, gritty, with a wisecracking and foul-mouthed narrator who is a refreshing change from the norm, this novel turns the urban fantasy genre on its head and then kicks it in the teeth for good measure.

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