



Taken

By Edward Bloor

[Download now](#)

[Read Online](#) 

Taken By Edward Bloor

Charity Meyers has only 12 hours to live.

By 2035 the rich have gotten richer, the poor have gotten poorer, and kidnapping has become a major growth industry in the United States. The children of privilege live in secure, gated communities and are escorted to and from school by armed guards.

But the security around Charity Meyers has broken down. On New Year's morning she wakes and finds herself alone, strapped to a stretcher, in an ambulance that's not moving. If this were a normal kidnapping, Charity would be fine. But as the hours of her imprisonment tick by, Charity realizes there is nothing normal about what's going on. No training could prepare her for what her kidnappers really want . . . and worse, for who they turn out to be.

 [Download Taken ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Taken ...pdf](#)

Taken

By *Edward Bloor*

Taken By Edward Bloor

Charity Meyers has only 12 hours to live.

By 2035 the rich have gotten richer, the poor have gotten poorer, and kidnapping has become a major growth industry in the United States. The children of privilege live in secure, gated communities and are escorted to and from school by armed guards.

But the security around Charity Meyers has broken down. On New Year's morning she wakes and finds herself alone, strapped to a stretcher, in an ambulance that's not moving. If this were a normal kidnapping, Charity would be fine. But as the hours of her imprisonment tick by, Charity realizes there is nothing normal about what's going on. No training could prepare her for what her kidnappers really want . . . and worse, for who they turn out to be.

Taken By Edward Bloor Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #88948 in Books
- Published on: 2009-12-08
- Released on: 2009-12-08
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.00" h x .55" w x 5.14" l, .45 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 256 pages

 [Download Taken ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Taken ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online Taken By Edward Bloor

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Starred Review. Bloor (*Tangerine*) shows top form with a gripping novel, set 30 years in the future, that works as both a thriller and a commentary on the dangerously growing gap between America's rich and poor. Thirteen-year-old Charity Meyers lives with her father, a dermatologist whose wealth has survived the World Credit Crash, and her stepmother, a noxious vidscreen personality. Despite all the precautions within the Meyers' high-security housing development, Charity is kidnapped on New Year's Day 2036—the taken of the title, also a chess allusion to a didn't-see-it-coming plot twist. Because child-snatching is a major growth industry in South Florida, Charity has been trained to handle the stress and she knows what should happen. Within 24 hours, her parents will empty their home vault of its currency, and she will be freed. Pacing the narrative so readers can feel the clock ticking, the author fills in Charity's back story—the ironic death of her mother to skin cancer, her days at satschool, where education comes beamed in from an elite Manhattan academy, her home run by Albert and Victoria, the butler and maid whose very names are regulated by Royal Domestic Services. Bloor, whose gimlet-eyed view of modern society has occasionally pushed his narratives to extremes, reigns in the satire to concoct a plausible-enough scenario of the not-too-distant future, adding just the right measure of consciousness-raising in the dialogue between Charity and a teenage abductor. Deftly constructed, this is as riveting as it is thought-provoking. Ages 12-up. (Oct.)

Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From [Booklist](#)

Bloor sets his latest novel in Florida, 2035, in a world sharply divided by wealth and race. Kidnapping has become a "major growth industry," and everyone knows the rules: pay up within 24 hours, and the child is returned. Thirteen-year-old Charity's rich family lives in the Highlands, a tightly secured gated community; they have a butler who doubles as a heavily armed security guard. Even so, Charity is "taken." But for some reason, the payoff goes tragically wrong, and Charity is forced to step outside the rule book and fight for her life. Although many of the secondary characters are flat, Charity is an appealing observer who looks beyond class and begins to think for herself. Her calm recounting of the kidnapping scenario increases the tension, while interspersed flashbacks provide believable details of her disturbing world. This page-turner will grab readers at the outset, and its unexpected twist at the close will send them back through events to look for embedded clues. Pair this with Caroline Cooney's *Code Orange* (2005). Rutan, Lynn

About the Author

Edward Bloor is the author of several acclaimed novels, including *London Calling*, a Book Sense 76 Top Ten Selection, and *Tangerine*, which was an ALA Top Ten Best Book for Young Adults, a *Horn Book* Fanfare Selection, and a *Bulletin* Blue Ribbon Book. He lives in Winter Garden, Florida.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Thomas Abrams:

In this 21st century, people become competitive in every single way. By being competitive right now, people have to do something to make these individuals survive, being in the middle of the particular crowded place and notice by means of surrounding. One thing that often many people have underestimated it for a while is reading. Yes, by reading a book your ability to survive increase then having chance to stand than other is

high. In your case who want to start reading the book, we give you this particular Taken book as beginner and daily reading publication. Why, because this book is greater than just a book.

Dorothy Shuler:

People live in this new morning of lifestyle always try to and must have the free time or they will get lot of stress from both lifestyle and work. So , if we ask do people have spare time, we will say absolutely sure. People is human not just a robot. Then we consult again, what kind of activity have you got when the spare time coming to anyone of course your answer can unlimited right. Then do you ever try this one, reading textbooks. It can be your alternative inside spending your spare time, often the book you have read will be Taken.

Nancy Figaro:

Your reading sixth sense will not betray you actually, why because this Taken e-book written by well-known writer who knows well how to make book that could be understand by anyone who also read the book. Written within good manner for you, leaking every ideas and composing skill only for eliminate your own personal hunger then you still skepticism Taken as good book but not only by the cover but also by content. This is one guide that can break don't evaluate book by its deal with, so do you still needing a different sixth sense to pick this particular!? Oh come on your examining sixth sense already said so why you have to listening to a different sixth sense.

Frank Cockerham:

This Taken is completely new way for you who has intense curiosity to look for some information as it relief your hunger of knowledge. Getting deeper you on it getting knowledge more you know or you who still having small amount of digest in reading this Taken can be the light food for you personally because the information inside this book is easy to get by anyone. These books produce itself in the form that is reachable by anyone, yes I mean in the e-book application form. People who think that in guide form make them feel sleepy even dizzy this book is the answer. So there isn't any in reading a e-book especially this one. You can find actually looking for. It should be here for you actually. So , don't miss that! Just read this e-book sort for your better life as well as knowledge.

**Download and Read Online Taken By Edward Bloor
#R6PKVDHUA5G**

Read Taken By Edward Bloor for online ebook

Taken By Edward Bloor Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Taken By Edward Bloor books to read online.

Online Taken By Edward Bloor ebook PDF download

Taken By Edward Bloor Doc

Taken By Edward Bloor Mobipocket

Taken By Edward Bloor EPub

R6PKVDHUA5G: Taken By Edward Bloor