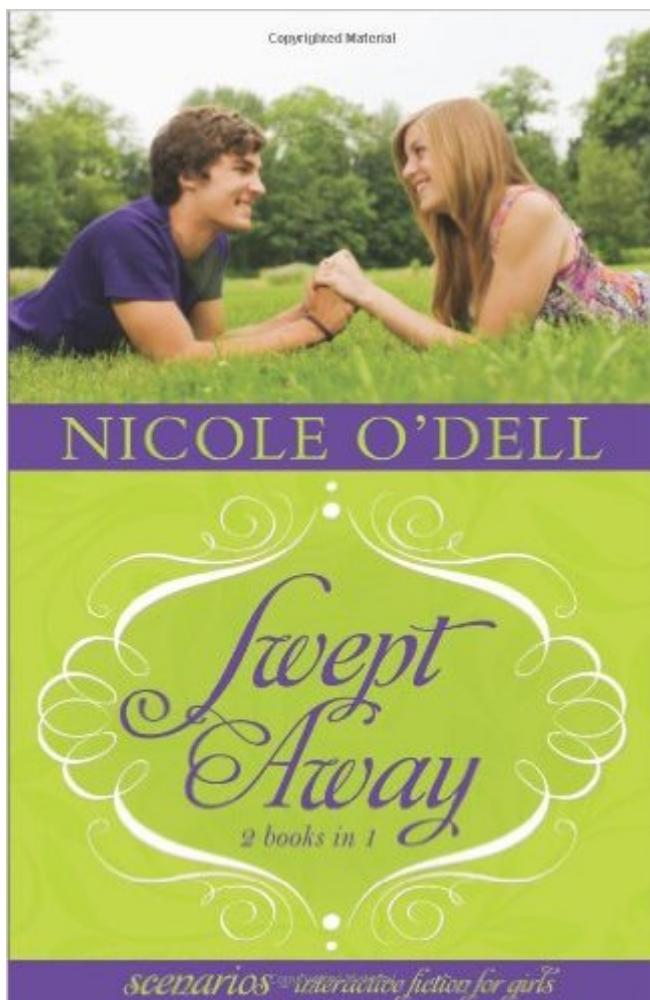


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# SCENARIOS 5 & 6--Swept Away: 2 Interactive Stories In 1 (Scenarios For Girls)



## **Synopsis**

Decisions, decisions! How is a girl supposed to choose? Lessons of right and wrong are put to the test in the Scenarios series, where you can test your decision-making abilities in an eye-opening, but safe, way. Each book follows a character up to the point where she has to make an important, life-changing decisionâ "then itâ ™s your turn to choose. Will your choices lead to a happy ending?

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 12 - 15 years

Grade Level: 7 - 10

## **Customer Reviews**

My almost 11 y.o. LOVES the Scenario books. Yes, I capitalized on purpose because that almost captures her enthusiasm for this series. When this book arrived, she literally peeled it from my hands and ran upstairs to start reading. Why does she love these books? Because she loves being the character and choosing the outcome. She'll select the wrong choice, and then go back and make the right choice. It leads to great conversations as we talk about what makes one choice better than the other. For this 2-in-1, the girls face touch choices about sex and cheating for what looks like a good reason. I wasn't 100% sure my daughter was ready for the sex story, but I was wrong. This truly gave us good opportunities to have some needed girl talk. And Nicole handles the issue in a sensitive yet real way. The consequences are real and laid out for readers to weigh. How much better to consider what she would do now rather than in a few years when the pressure is

on. Please get these books for the tween girls in your life. They are wonderful stories with a purpose.

I had already reviewed one of the other books in this series, *Dare To Be Different*. Once again, even though it is touted as being interactive, the only interactive part is at the end of each story. You get to choose how they end. It would have been nice if you could have picked along the way so you can see how different decisions can affect things differently. Even though this book is geared towards tweens, I felt that it might have been more towards actual teenagers. One of the two stories deals with premarital sex and how you get pressured into having it. The lead characters are written in a way that the readers can identify themselves within them. It makes it easier to put yourself into the shoes of the character and try to figure your own way through the story. These are definitely wonderful learning tools that can open up a dialogue on difficult subjects. In conjunction with the Wakela's World Disclosure Statement, I received a product in order to enable my review. No other compensation has been received. My statements are an honest account of my experience with the brand. The opinions stated here are mine alone.

I'm a teenager and I just recently read *Swept Away* and absolutely loved it. The characters were very real and I found myself pulled into their stories and not wanting to put the book down until I had finished it. Nicole O'Dell does an amazing job on her *Scenarios for Girls* book. I definitely recommend this one, especially for teenage girls. Book 5 - *High Stakes* Amber is a senior and in a good-natured, though fierce, competition with her best friend, Brittany, for a car that is being given away. When Amber cheats on her final exams and Brittany is blamed, she had to decide whether she will tell the truth and give up the car and possibly more, or stay silent and let Brittany take the blame. Book 6 - *Essence of Lilly* Trying to escape her mom and stepdad's fights, Lilly gets involved in youth group activities, using them as an excuse to hang out with her boyfriend, Jason, who makes her feel loved. When Jason convinces her to lie to her parents about an overnighter at the church, she has to decide how far she will let things go. This is a great book that teaches some very important lessons.

You can't beat two books for the price of one, unless those two books are amazing stories of realistic teen drama. In *High Stakes*, ride along with Amber as she decides whether or not to fess up to cheating on her finals. Only you get to decide if she chooses to save her friend or save herself. Nicole O'Dell spins an interactive tale with two endings to choose from. Each with their own unique consequences and blessings. In *Essence of Lilly*, you get to chose how far is too far for Lilly when

she is faced with the decision to spend an overnighter with Jason, her boyfriend. Either choice will put you face to face with a real decision facing many teens today. Nicole weaves identifiable characters into moral dilemmas with skill and knack. Her stories are easy to read and creative in their delivery. Pure entertainment with a life lesson tucked inside.

I've read a lot of Christian books for teens, and "Swept Away" is beyond my favorite. Usually when I read, I feel like I'm just reading a book and I get easily distracted...but not this time. I really felt that I was in the story with the characters and I didn't want to put this book down! The first book in this 2-in-1, "High Stakes", is about cheating and being honest. I think every kid is presented with an opportunity to cheat in their lifetime, and they need to understand what the consequences would be if they take that opportunity. And this book teaches just that. The second book, "Essence of Lilly", is about teen relationships and premarital sex. This is definitely a must read for any teen girl in or about to be in a relationship. I 100% recommend this book!

Nicole pulled me into each of these stories and didn't let me go until the story ended. She is a gifted storyteller. And these stories need to be told so that teens and young adults can read real life situations and see how the choices impact the characters. These characters are true to life and are very relatable. This series fills a huge need in the Christian book industry. And Nicole is the person to fill that need because she weaves amazing stories.

I haven't read any of the scenario books up until now and I wasn't sure what to expect. What it is a partially written story the you chose the ending. Will the girl make the right choice? Or the wrong choice? What will be the possible ending to the story? I have a twelve year old daughter and she was interested in reading this. I wasn't real sure about whether or not I should let her but both stories opened up opportunities for discussion. If you are looking for a book that will hopefully teach your tween / teen girl how to chose the right choice and show her what might happen with the wrong choice, then SWEPT AWAY would be the perfect choice.

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