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STANK

Ellen Hopkins

Flirtin' with the Monster

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before I
met

the monster.

After,
life

was great.

At
least

for a little while.

Introduction

So you want to know all
about me. Who

I am.

What chance meeting of
brush and canvas painted

the face

you see? What made
me despise the girl

in the mirror

enough to transform her,
turn her into a stranger,

only not.

So you want to hear
the whole story. Why

I swerved

off the high road,
hard left to nowhere,

recklessly

indifferent to those
coughing my dust,

picked up speed

no limits, no top end,
just a high velocity rush

to madness.

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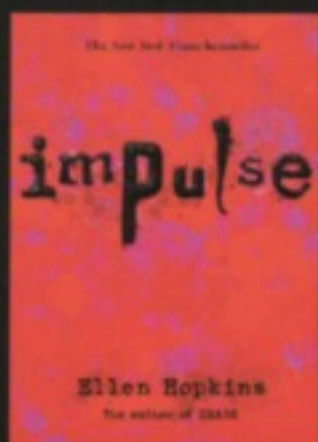
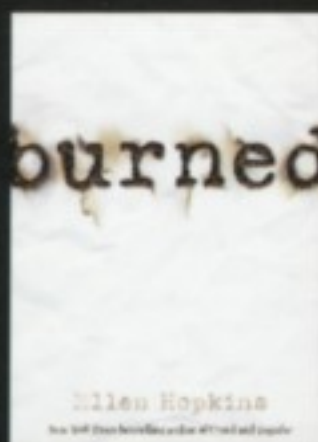
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Kristina is the perfect daughter: gifted high school junior, quiet, never any trouble. Then she meets the monster: crank. And what begins as a wild ride turns into a struggle for her mind, her soul—her life.

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