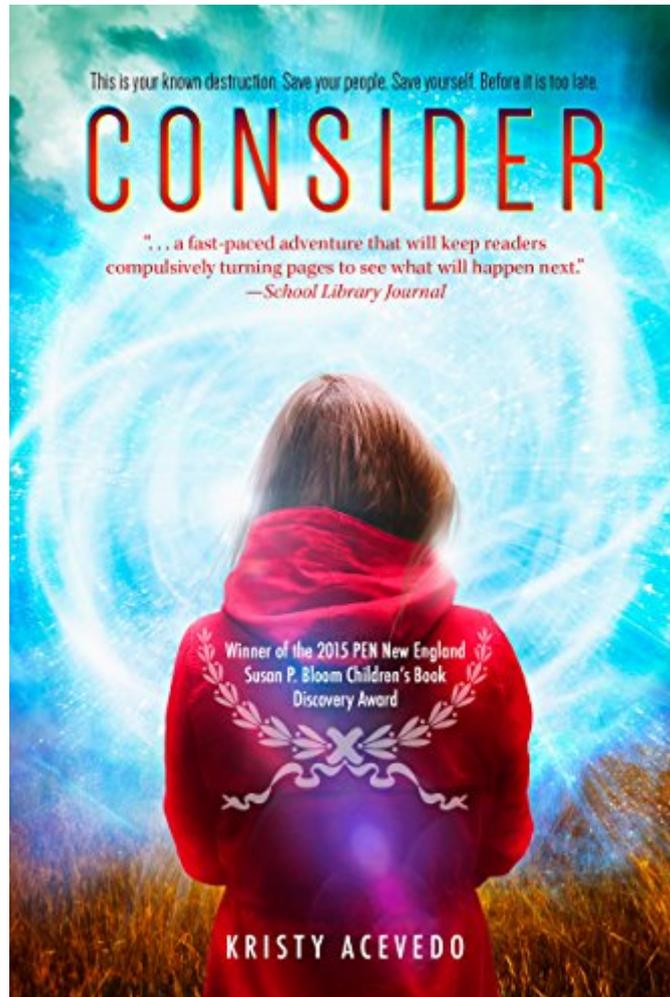


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Consider (The Holo Series Book 1)



Synopsis

As if 17-year-old Alexandra Lucas' anxiety disorder isn't enough, mysterious holograms suddenly appear, heralding the end of the world. They bring an ultimatum: heed the warning and step through a portal-like vertex to safety, or stay and be destroyed by a comet that is on a collision course with Earth. The holograms, claiming to be humans from the future, bring the promise of safety. But without the ability to verify their story, Alex is forced to consider what is best for her friends, her family, and herself. To stay or to go. A decision must be made. With the deadline of the holograms' prophecy fast approaching, Alex feels as though she is living on a ticking time bomb, until she discovers it is much, much worse.

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Customer Reviews

I follow Kristy Acevedo on Twitter, so I've been eagerly awaiting her debut novel. I don't think I've ever read a novel with a main character who suffers from an anxiety disorder. This felt real and

well-written, and I LOVE that Acevedo doesn't gloss over the difficulties created by Alexandra's anxiety disorder. I also love seeing the various ways her friends and family respond to her anxiety. The plot itself is well handled and moves forward at a good pace. Acevedo does a good job showing how the imminent destruction of the world affects society as well as individuals, and she manages to bring up some interesting human rights issues as well as political and religious ones. The subplot involving Alex's brother Benji is both fun and touching, and Alex's complicated relationship with her dad is also fascinating to explore. The ending took me by surprise, but felt like it fit the story perfectly. I'm looking forward to the sequel!

Consider is a unique gem in the treasure chest of YA apocalyptic sci-fi thrillers. What makes this book so exciting is the fact that the plot, which is full of twists and action, is not just about the rollercoaster ride. It is about weighing decisions, finding your strengths, accepting what and who is most important to you and realizing your true potential. From my description, this novel may sound more introspective, and less thriller. But don't be fooled. Acevedo's measured pacing, flawed but loveable characters, and witty dialog, make for a perfect melding of thought-provoking themes and heart-racing action. And the ending...oh, the ending! I haven't felt that revved up by a conclusion since reading *Lord of the Flies*. You will definitely want to pre-order the sequel, *Contribute*. I did.

As only an experienced high school teacher could do, Kristy Acevedo has plunged into the complicated mind of a female adolescent. Her protagonist, Alex, not only suffers from the burdens of a dysfunctional family, she navigates through her developmental years with severe anxiety disorder. In a particularly crucial metaphor for our current politically uncertain and dangerous times, Acevedo's multi-faceted characters are faced with a reality shattering scenario which requires an absolute decision. *CONSIDER* is a wicked cool YA dystopian sci-fi ride through Southcoast Massachusetts and beyond! I cannot wait to read the sequel! . . . Judy Ripley

First I'd like the appropriate age range for this gem to change from 12 to 18 to 12+. I'm 58 and couldn't put it down. It was cathartic to me as a lapsed Catholic/new atheist/scared of missing out on heaven. Even though this is in no way about religion as a whole. I went back and forth if I would take the leap. What made me buy the book after reading a reviewer who was excited about the end. I love a great ending. I can't wait for the next one. I give myself a treat ever month with one book because of an extremely limited income. I've regretted many. This I will think about for my forever. I recommend this to everyone.

I would guess that if you had anxiety problems, etc. as the main character, this would be an excellent book to read. It incorporates her thoughts that seem to take over her life, cause the anxiety attacks & describes the aftermath. Granted, this is rare in a book and would be affirmation to those with the same problems. However, I don't have these issues and thus it was slow, boring, predictable and I won't even finish reading the other 40%.

This book was really interesting, although I found the pacing to be somewhat slow. Maybe I just wanted to get to the end to find out whether or not she went through the vertex, but the mundane-ness of them trying to keep on with "normal" lives got a bit grating. The ending was top shelf, however. I'm rarely surprised by book endings, but this one blindsided me. Well done!

Excellent book. I loved Alex's POV and the thoughts going through her head. I can only imagine the layers of emotions her situation at home and then with the world potentially falling apart would add to her anxiety. The relationships between all the characters were well fleshed out. Loved the questions and answers from the holograms. There was a lot to grab the imagination reading this book. The ending, even knowing this was part of a series, was very satisfying. Didn't see it playing out like it did but very pleased. Can't wait for the next book.

I read this in a single sitting. When a futuristic warning of the Earth's destruction arrives in Ch. 1 -- and a countdown clock starts Ch. 2 -- you know you're in for a suspenseful ride. Consider delivers. From the get-go, you're thrust into the mind of Alex Lucas, whose struggle to control her own clinically diagnosed anxiety ratchets up the taut narrative march toward the apocalypse. Exciting to the last word.

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