



The Gathering

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Trilogy: Darkness Rising
Book I

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The book *The Gathering* was a spectacular book that I rapturously read, as anyone probably would! Here's a short synopsis of the story: Maya, who is about to turn sixteen, lives on Vancouver Island in a town for medical research. Weird things are happening at her small, less-than-two-hundred-population town. Her swim captain, Serena, drowns in a lake that is calm, and many other weird cases like this occur. But her friend, Daniel, seems to be getting the worst of it because he feels "bad vibes" about some people. Maya's paw print birthmark becomes a new attraction of Rafe, one of the students at her school. With Rafe being the main suspect, Detective Maya gets onto the case!

The most interesting part of this book for me was when Maya starts getting her suspicions about Rafe, because then I start to think, "Maybe all of the story actually correlates, and maybe there is actually a 'criminal' in the story!" since the book didn't really have a relating beginning. Once you get through the first few chapters, this is a book that seems to have one of those Can't-Put-Down spells from Harry Potter on it!

The author of this trilogy, Kelley Armstrong, has written another trilogy called the *Darkest Power Trilogy*. Elements of that trilogy have connections to the *Darkness Rising Trilogy*, featured here. *The Gathering* stands out as one of the best books of all.

Book #1



Book #2



Book #3

