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HER REALM.
NOW HE HOLDS
HER CAPTIVE.

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BOUND BY THE BROKEN CROWN
BOOK ONE

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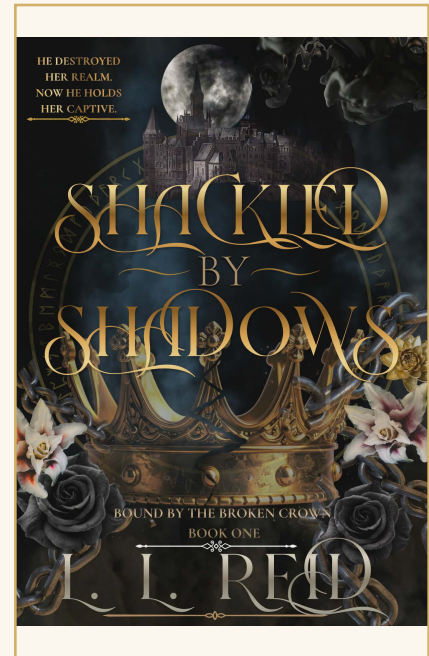
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*Bound by fate.
Divided by secrets.
Running out of time.*

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BOOK AT A GLANCE

Title	Shackled by Shadows
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SHORT BOOK DESCRIPTION

After decades of imprisonment and torture, Lyra finally escapes the darkness that stole everything from her, only to be captured again by Prince Oberon, heir to the Dark Realm. Instead of returning her to her enemies, Oberon hides her behind powerful wards and impossible secrets. As ancient magic awakens and dangerous truths surface, Lyra must decide who the true enemy is before a brewing war consumes both realms.

ONE-SENTENCE PITCH

After decades of captivity, Lyra escapes only to fall into the hands of Prince Oberon, heir to the realm she believes destroyed her own, forcing her to choose between vengeance, dangerous truths, and a growing connection to the male she was taught to fear.

FULL BOOK DESCRIPTION

The cities of the Light Realm lie in ruin, the kingdom's magic bled dry, and its people scattered to the wind. Lyra should have been broken along with it.

After decades of imprisonment and torture, she finally escapes the darkness that stole everything from her. But her freedom is fleeting and lasting only a single night before she is captured once again, this time by the one male she has every reason to fear: Prince Oberon.

Heir to the Dark Realm, the prince whose name is whispered alongside war, bloodshed, and ruin.

Instead of returning her to her enemies, Oberon hides her away behind powerful wards and impossible secrets. Determined to survive, Lyra refuses to trust him. Yet the longer she remains in his care, the harder it becomes to reconcile the monster she expected with the male standing before her.

As ancient magic awakens and dangerous truths come to light, Lyra discovers her kingdom's fall may not be the whole story. Caught between vengeance and desire, light and shadow, duty and destiny, she must decide who the true enemy is before a brewing war consumes both realms.

Some crowns are broken for a reason, and some hearts are destined to break with them.

THE STORY

At its heart, *Shackled by Shadows* is a story about a woman who survives years of captivity only to discover that freedom is more complicated than escape. Lyra enters the Dark Realm expecting another prison and another monster. Instead, Prince Oberon forces her to question the history she has been taught, the enemy she has learned to hate, and the truths surrounding the fall of her kingdom.

As trust grows where it should not, ancient magic and buried secrets pull Lyra toward a conflict larger than either realm. Her choices sit at the center of vengeance, desire, duty, and a war that could consume them all.

WHY READERS WILL LOVE IT

A Heroine Who Refuses to Stay Broken

Lyra has survived decades of imprisonment and torture. Escape does not erase what happened to her, but neither does it define the limits of who she can become.

The Prince She Was Taught to Fear

Oberon's name is tied to war, bloodshed, and ruin. The longer Lyra remains in his care, the harder it becomes to reconcile that reputation with the male standing in front of her.

Enemies to Something Much More Complicated

Lyra has every reason to hate and distrust Oberon. Their growing connection forces both of them into uncomfortable territory where attraction and suspicion exist side by side.

Forced Proximity

Hidden behind powerful wards, Lyra cannot simply walk away from the prince or the questions surrounding him. Proximity turns tension into something increasingly difficult to ignore.

A Kingdom Built on Half-Truths

The fall of the Light Realm may not be the story Lyra was taught. Every revelation forces her to reconsider what she knows about her past, her enemies, and the coming war.

Ancient Magic & Warring Realms

Light and shadow, old magic, ruined kingdoms, and political danger create a fantasy world where personal choices can alter the fate of entire realms.

Vengeance Versus Desire

Lyra wants answers and justice for everything she lost. The problem is that the truth may lead her directly toward the person she was supposed to hate.

MARKETING HOOKS

HIGH-CONCEPT HOOKS

- She escaped one prison only to be captured by the prince she has every reason to fear.
- Her kingdom lies in ruins. The prince blamed for its destruction may be the only person telling her the truth.
- Decades of captivity taught Lyra how to survive. Nothing prepared her for trusting her enemy.
- He is heir to the Dark Realm. She is a survivor of the fallen Light Realm. The truth could destroy them both.
- She expected a monster. What she found was far more dangerous: a reason to question everything.
- Vengeance brought her this far. Desire may change where she goes next.

SHORT SOCIAL HOOKS

- He destroyed her realm. Now he holds her captive.
- She escaped the darkness. Then the Shadow Prince found her.
- Her enemy may be the only person she can trust.
- Some crowns are broken for a reason.
- Light fell. Shadows rose. The truth survived.
- Bound by fate. Divided by secrets. Running out of time.

TAGLINES

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- Some crowns are broken for a reason, and some hearts are destined to break with them.
- He destroyed her realm. Now he holds her captive.
- She escaped one prison only to fall into the hands of a prince.
- The enemy she was taught to fear may be the only one telling her the truth.
- Light and shadow were never meant to meet.
- Vengeance brought her to him. The truth may keep her there.
- She knows what monsters look like. Prince Oberon is making her question everything.

PROMOTIONAL LINES

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- “He destroyed her realm. Now he holds her captive.”
- “She expected a monster. What she found was a reason to question everything.”
- “Her kingdom fell. Her enemy holds the answers.”
- “Vengeance and desire were never supposed to lead to the same man.”

SOCIAL MEDIA COPY

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BOUND BY THE BROKEN CROWN BEGINS.

The Light Realm is in ruins.

Lyra has survived decades of captivity.

And the prince she has every reason to fear is now the one holding her fate in his hands.

After escaping the darkness that stole years of her life, Lyra's freedom lasts only one night before Prince Oberon captures her. But when the monster she expects becomes something far more complicated, ancient magic and dangerous truths force her to question everything she knows about her kingdom's fall.

SHACKLED BY SHADOWS

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by L.L. Reid

#ShackledByShadows #LLReid #BoundByTheBrokenCrown #DarkFantasyRomance #Romantasy #EnemiesToLovers
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AUTHOR POSITIONING

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Her stories explore the darker side of love, trust, desire, and the choices people make when survival and the heart demand two very different things.

With Shackled by Shadows, Reid opens the Bound by the Broken Crown series with ruined kingdoms, ancient magic, dangerous truths, and an enemies-to-lovers relationship caught between vengeance and war.

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- dark fantasy romance
- romantasy
- fantasy romance
- enemies to lovers
- forced proximity
- morally gray romance
- shadow prince
- protective MMC
- touch her and die
- ruined kingdom
- warring realms
- ancient magic
- Light Realm
- Dark Realm
- shadow magic
- captivity survivor
- resilient heroine
- strong female protagonist
- vengeance and desire
- dangerous truths
- hidden history
- morally gray characters
- complicated loyalties
- slow-burn tension
- royal fantasy romance
- prince romance
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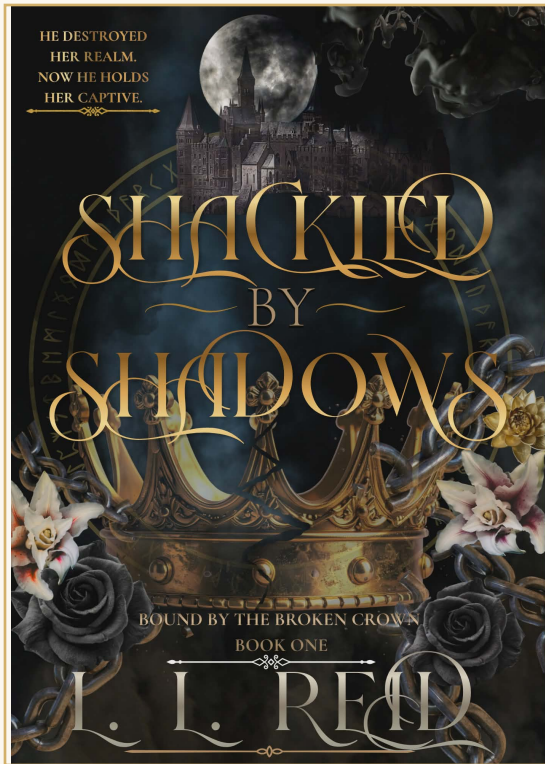
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