Benji has to escape his home. His mother's boyfriend has crossed the line, and Benji can't deal with it anymore. So he leaves behind everything he knows to go live with his father and stepmother in Portland. His stepmother is nice, but he doesn't trust her. His father is testy, refusing to trust Benji. And Benji ... he's just trying not to self-destruct.

In this spellbinding novel, Brian James surpasses his previous work to take his place among Adam Rapp, Melvin Burgess, and Kevin Brooks on the razors edge of teen literature.

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A unique and "fun" thing about Brian James' books are that his characters seem to pop up in later works. This book is a companion to his earlier book Perfect World, in which Benji, (the main character in this book) was the boyfriend of the main character in Perfect World. This book appropriately displays the attitude and emotions of an angry, neglected and sexually abused teenage boy. The mix of anger and pain overshadows every page, and does so in a way that is not recycled "teenage angst" about normal, petty high school things. Similar to his other books, Dirty Liar gives the reader a realistic, uncensored story that might have already happened somewhere out there. This book would be good for abused teenage boys to read and relate to.

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