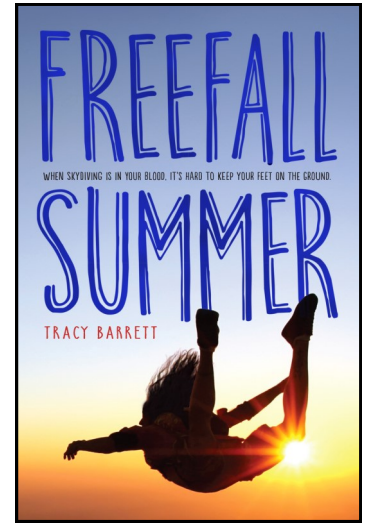


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Levelidity: The state of being in a level position with respect to another sky diver.

—**The Whuffo's Guide to Skydiving**

Clancy Edwards has always been "the good girl." Her father has watched her like a hawk ever since her mother died in a skydiving accident when Clancy was young. Between her dad's rules and her boyfriend's protectiveness, she's longing for an escape this summer, and her job packing chutes at the family-owned drop zone isn't exactly exciting stuff.

Clancy must also deal with unresolved feelings of guilt over her mother's death. Part of her healing process means being honest and following her passions, wherever that may lead.

Then Clancy meets Denny, a new skydiving student and college freshman. Clancy lets Denny think they're the same age—and that she's old enough to make her own decisions. But the lies snowball, relationships are damaged, and suddenly Clancy isn't the person she wants to be. If only making choices were as simple as taking a leap out of a plane. Before Clancy can make things right, one last act of rebellion threatens her chance to do so—maybe forever.

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