



NEWS RELEASE

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DFB to publish new Jenny Downham

David Fickling Books is delighted to announce the publication of a new novel from Jenny Downham, author of the international bestseller *Before I Die*.

You Against Me, an intense and uncompromising novel about loyalty and the choices that come with it, will be published on 2nd December 2010.

If someone hurts your sister and you're any kind of man, you seek revenge, right? If your brother's accused of a terrible crime but says he didn't do it, you defend him, don't you?

When Mikey's sister claims a boy assaulted her, his world begins to fall apart. When Ellie's brother is charged with the offence, her world begins to unravel.

When Mikey and Ellie meet, two worlds collide.

David Fickling comments: "Jenny Downham's second novel is amazing. Say no more. Read it now."

Jenny's agent, Catherine Clarke at Felicity Bryan Associates, comments: 'This is a love story, but it reads like a thriller. We know we are in the hands of one of our most brilliant writers.'

Before I Die sold over 250,000 copies across all editions published in the UK and export markets, and has sold in 29 languages to date. Heralded as 'an extraordinary first novel' by The Sunday Times, Heat called it 'hugely life affirming, a book that will make you happy to be alive'. A film is in development.

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