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SHOCKING FAMILY SECRETS ARE UNEARTHED IN NEW PSYCHOLOGICAL PAGE-TURNER *THE STORIES SHE TELLS*

It's hard to know who to trust in LK Chapman's new psychological thriller *The Stories She Tells*, as lies, rumours and suspicion abound. The story follows Michael - a man whose world is turned upside down when he hears that an ex-girlfriend, Rae, may have been pregnant when they split - and his attempts to find her. But when he finally does track her down nothing is as it seems and Michael finds himself trapped in a web of lies and manipulation with a shocking secret at its core.

"Sometimes after reading my books friends ask me jokingly whether they should be worried about me," Chapman says, "but thankfully it's all fictional!"

During the story, we find Michael's ex-girlfriend, who has changed her name to Tamsin, in a seemingly happy marriage with a new baby daughter, but she is cagey about what happened to Michael's child and soon cracks begin to show. "This story is all about lies," Chapman explains. "Tamsin is a very complicated person. As the story progresses it begins to seem like she can't tell fact from fiction. But you start to get the sense that some people close to her may want her stories to sound unreliable and implausible."

During the story we see Tamsin struggle with her emotions and having a new baby. "It's important to me to talk about mental health and to not shy away from including it in my novels," Chapman says. Chapman draws on her experiences studying psychology to inspire her writing. She has also volunteered for mental health charity Mind in the past, both in South Somerset and in Sevenoaks, Kent. LK Chapman now lives in Hampshire with her husband and one-year-old son.

The Stories She Tells will be released on the 12th October 2017.

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