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"All things must die."

Washed up on the sandy shores of a paradise island, a wild-eyed shipwreck survivor is rescued by the wife of Daqar Keep, the richest man in the galaxy.

Her name's Perfection. He's the Doctor. Together, they face a journey into the dark heart of this mysterious island, to discover the deepest secrets of this timeless cosmos. That's if the giant crabs, killer crocodiles and murderous natives don't get them first.

Meanwhile, fellow travellers Charley and C'rizz have their own ordeal to endure, in the grip of the Doctor's most dangerous rival. And in a universe that's facing extinction, even the best of friends may soon become enemies...

This life is almost over. And not everyone will make it to the next...

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Ritchie says

Happy to finally break free of the Divergent Universe.

Steven says

The 8th Doctor's adventures into another universe with a girl who should not exist and a strange alien creature.

Noah Soudrette says

A pointlessly overlong adventure that thankfully ends the divergent universe storyline.

Leela42 says

Audio adventure with the eighth Doctor, Charley, C'rizz. Last episode in the Divergent arc, but there's enough exposition that a person can just jump in. An excruciating plodding fanfic, eye-rollingly typical and numbingly predictable. I was bored, bored, bored. The next time someone tries to tell me 'rad' is better than 'trad', I think I'll bash them over the head with this.

Nicholas Whyte says

I'm afraid I felt that The Next Life was the first miss I've heard from the normally excellent Alan Barnes. Not that it was actually all that bad, just really far too long, six episodes of over thirty minutes each. I would have trimmed a lot of the first two episodes, where we have Charley and C'rizz yet again experiencing a dream environment (though with a welcome return from Anneke Wills as Charley's mother); it seemed to take an awfully long time to get to the point.[return]I did like Daphne Ashbrook (= Grace in the TV movie) in her role as Perfection, and the instant chemistry between her and McGann brought back memories of the early Eight/Charley days; almost a foreshadowing of School Reunion, with Charley playing the jealous newer companion. And C'rizz's back-story is filled out adequately, though unfortunately I haven't come to care enough about the character for this to make a lot of difference (and Paul Darrow didn't seem to be up to par either). Plus at the very end I liked the fate of Rassilon and the Kro'ka. But really it could have been done much better in half the time.

Saturnberry says

This one put my head in a whirl! Ties the story back to 'Zagreus' and 'Scherzo' in such a way that left my mouth hanging open a bit. Fantastic and mind-boggling.

Delta says

I feel like I did myself a disservice by not listening to the previous stories set in the Divergent Universe, but I caught up pretty quickly. As always, the acting and writing was great. The sound effects were minimal, which was a good thing for this story. I even had a chuckle with the bug-eating scene.

Devin Harvey says

I was kind of dreading listening to this one, just because the synopsis didn't make it sound very interesting and it's a whole 3 hours long, but about 2 episodes in and I already loved it. Another audio with a lot of character development for C'rizz, and even a bit for Charley, and that itself was really cool to have, but along with it we get to see almost a mixture of The Most Dangerous Game (the book), The Island of Dr. Moreau and Doctor Who and it just works so well, with a whole cast of villains (and special guests: Daphne Ashbrooke and Anneke Wills), just makes it almost as epic as Zagreus. I would definitely recommend, but must be listened to along with the whole Divergent Universe Arc.

Mel says

I did really like the start of this with Charley and her mother. There was some nice character development. It was fun to hear Paul Darrow as a different character, even though he was quite Avon-ish. I also liked to see Daphne reunited with Paul. But I felt that it dragged a little bit too long when everyone was walking in the jungle. It was quite a long and complicated adventure but it was still enjoyable.

David says

DNF

Not enjoying this series.

Sativa says

Over 3 hours long, but we have closed out the Divergent Universe. It was certainly an interesting and non-traditional arc and I can't wait to see where he goes next. Though it seems the poor fellow has looped right back to where he started with the Daleks.

Those pesky, pesky Daleks...

Sara Habein says

A bit drawn out, though there's some nice revelatory background bits.

Christopher Buchanan says

Very imaginative tie up to the Divergent Universe series. Quite original. Does get a bit tricky near the end and might require a second listen but I don't mind. Very enjoyable.

Jami says

Ties up the adventures in the divergent universe with a big bow. I'm sure that it'd be nearly incomprehensible to anyone who hadn't at least listened to "Scherzo" and "Zagreus." No one is their best in this story.

Debra Cook says

Kroka is still trying to get the upper hand of the doctor but he's been manipulated by Rassalon and others. The Doctor, Charley and C'zzizz land in a world that shows old friends and strangers. Will the see the truth. The doctor might still be under Zagreus.
