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**When a stranger moves in...**

Isabella Ricci has found the perfect roommate. Quiet, clean, and considerate, Lisa Fontaine is totally interested in Isabella's life. But maybe she's a little *too* interested...

Lisa starts to dress and talk like Isabella, and instantly hits it off with all her Sweet Valley friends... especially Isabella's best friend, Jessica Wakefield.

But Lisa crosses the line when she takes Isabella's clothes, cuts and dyes her hair just like Isabella's, and sneaks into Isabella's boyfriend, Danny Wyatt's, room.

Suddenly Isabella is scared. Lisa seems dead set on taking her friends, her identity... maybe even her life.

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### **Candeeta says**

love these books

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### **Lynn says**

my first book on psychopaths

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### **Yasmine Azeez says**

a good one , exciting , bot boring at all.  
nothing deep or sophisticated , just for fun xx

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### **Jennifer Worry says**

I love reading these books. They always take me back to when I was younger. I'm recovering from surgery right now so it was a nice simple relaxing read while I get better.

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### **Lubna says**

i really enjoyed it ! I remember when I read the part where Lisa commits suicide I was on a plane , I kept rereading the page and musing out loud everyone thought I was nuts :D

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### **Kris - My Novelesque Life says**

SWEET VALLEY UNIVERSITY

Written by Francine Pascal

General Review for series as I cannot remember each novel.

I read Sweet Valley University when I was in junior high school to high school. While there is sexual content it is very mild (not explicit) compared to teen books today. If you like the Sweet Valley High you will love this series as it continues with the twins' story as they attend University and are away from their parents. I am not sure how they would relate to teens today as this was before cell phones were common and social media. They are fun teen romances with "real-life" situation. I did not complete the series as I started to save for school so I wasn't able to collect them any further (they are out of print). I still have the books I bought and may try to read one again (I did reread the series a few times).

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### **Samantha says**

OMG I just remembered this book!! I LOVED it! Super creepy and super entertaining!! LOVED IT!!!

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### **E.H. Nolan says**

Another Thriller Edition for the gang at Sweet Valley University! And, as usual, Laurie John takes a well-known suspenseful movie and turns it into a teen setting to make it accessible to young readers. If you've seen Single White Female, you'll know The Roommate by heart.

Isabella is in financial straits, and she puts up an advertisement for a roommate to help cut costs. Lisa, the girl she picks, seems great at first: respectful, meek, and insecure. Isabella takes her under her wing and shows her how to dress and introduces her to her friends, but then Lisa's behavior takes an unexpected turn. . .

Or an expected turn, if you've seen the Bridget Fonda movie. It's pretty close to the movie, but relatively appropriate for teenagers. This might be the scariest Thriller Edition I've read, so readers beware. Read this one by candlelight when it's Halloween time, if you dare!

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### **kylajaclyn says**

Welcome to "Single White Female Redux" or SVU Super Thriller #6, "The Roommate."

I mean, I don't need to snark this one. Because the ghost writers gave me nothing original to snark. It is, literally, a novel reenactment of the movie Single White Female starring Bridget Fonda and Jennifer Jason Leigh. I haven't seen the movie, so I thought maybe they changed some things for the book. Nope. I read an extended plot summary on IMDB, and it's exactly what happens in this book. Girl with a history of mental disturbance (in this case, Lisa Fontaine) rooms with a normal girl and tries to turn her into her long lost twin she killed when she was younger (in this case, Rosie Mueller to her Helen Mueller). Isabella even gets the Bridget Fonda haircut at the beginning of the novel, and Lisa quickly follows suit. Lisa begins with the stringy brown hair of Jennifer in the movie. The only difference is that there is a cat, and not a dog, like in the movie. BUT, in the 2011 remake of SWF, The Roommate, with Leighton Meester and Minka Kelly, they have a cat. As in every horror movie and/or novel, the cat does not survive. I hate that. It's such a cheap gag to kill an animal.

So, yeah, Isabella survives this nonsense, but I don't know why she'd want to, because Jessica and Danny, her boyfriend, are awful to her. Danny was a dick ass in the cruise ship books too. I'm sensing a pattern here. Basically, they both easily fall for Lisa's manipulations after knowing her what, a week, tops? ... Versus knowing Isabella much longer. Jessica's new boyfriend, Josh, once dated Isabella in high school for ten months, and Lisa plays this up for all it's worth to make Danny and Jessica insecure.

Also, this book spoiled the end of the Professor Miles trilogy for me. Way to go, SVU.

Quotes:

"Lisa felt like a walking garbage heap spreading ugliness wherever she went."

-Because she's not a Wakefield.

"What's gotten into you, anyway? Jessica Wakefield is rarely insecure."

-Please, insecurity is what drives her sociopathy.

"But even Jessica had to admit it wasn't cool to take advantage of Lisa."

-Since when??

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### **Dianne says**

I really enjoyed this one, although it is very *very* predictable. I liked the pacing of the story and the character building for Lisa. Again, this was very predictable, but I still really enjoyed how the story unfolded and how Isabella's ties started unravelling. I really hated Lisa and maybe that's a good thing for the author since she made this character believable and hate-able. I also hated Jessica and Danny, I mean can't you not communicate properly with your partners? If they just listened to Isabella, a person they know for quite some time instead someone they just met, Isabella wouldn't have to go through all that sad stuff.

And why did you have to kill the poor kitten? That made me sad :(

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### **Kristin says**

Wow....I didn't realize how poorly written these were back in the day. But, they were entertaining for their audience.

What I find really interesting is how these books are about the twins at the University level, but they are most definitely written for a high school audience.

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