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I dare you...

Dr. Katrina Winslow has always known who she is; an elite scientist, a certifiable genius and ultra-reserved when it comes to love and relationships. So when a simple game of truth or dare offers the cool doctor the opportunity to shed her lab coat and glasses and put on a pair of sexy stilettos, she accepts the dare. But will shedding her inhibitions fulfill her every desire and help her discover if she can be truly daring or will it cost her everything?

Two men, one a sexy stranger, and a night of no holds barred passion...

What would you dare to do?

Author's Note: This is book one of a four part series.

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From Reader Review The Dare for online ebook

Maria says

Surprisingly good!! Story, characters & sex scenes, all good!!! On to Double Dare. ;)

NiteReader says

This is a short, HOT, threesome with a twist!! I liked it, a lot!

J says

Two men, one a sexy stranger, and a night of no holds barred passion...

It all starts with a dare.....

At first appearance Dr. Katrina Winslow is very reserved. Spending most of her time in the lab, Katy doesn't have time to think about the sensual side lurking underneath her conservative demeanour.

All that changes one night when her boyfriend, Evan, dares her into a threesome. Away on a work conference, she accepts the dare to please Even, but also finds herself very attracted to the sexy green eyed Policeman.

The Threesome was HOT.... Like seriously freaking hot!
Evan is a douche bag but the chemistry between Katy and Simon is smoking.....

~ She arched against Evan's chest, lifting her arms and lacing her fingers behind her hi snack and at the same time presser her pussy harder against the lips and finger that ravaged it. Never has she felt so alive, so free, so inhibited. ~

Evan had been pushing her to try new things, but never had she let herself go this far. To allow two men at the same time to pleasure her.

But soon the night comes to an abrupt end, and Simon kicked out.

Before the night ends Katy is left with the knowledge her Boyfriend Evan is actually married. The man she just trusted her body to had been lying to her all along.

By the next day she has sworn off men.

With her last night at the conference Katy heads down to the hotel bar to drown her worries. Fueled by alcohol she decides to confront Evan, but Simon steers her away and into his suite.

While she feels stupid and betrayed, Simon listens and tries to show her that Evan is a douche and she doesn't deserve him. With the alcohol relaxing her, Katy admits to Simon some truths and confesses her desires.

~"I'm...." She grabbed his collar with two hands and whispered, "Simon I think I'm a secret slut." ~

Hahahhah That line was hilarious.

Simon finds Kat amusing and appreciates her honesty.

~"I crave, Simon. Things I shouldn't. Things I never told Evan or any man. Things I shouldn't want to do."

"Like What?"

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"Like Golden showers?"

"No!"

"Like animals?"

"God No!"

"Like with Girls?"

"Ha, wouldn't you like to watch that?"

"Like, I think I like to be dominated,"..... ~

Hahahah Loved it!

After Kat opens up about her desires, she spends the night.

When she awakes, they share one steamy Hot shower..
Holy hotness that shower scene was freaking SMOKING HOT!!!

~ "Simon," she moaned, hanging from the handcuffs. "Please. Fill me..."

"Like this? he asked, sliding a thick finger slow and easy into her as his lips caught a nipple and gently tugged at it.

"Oh - Yes, Deeper," She begged

He sucked her nipple into his mouth, rolling it around his tongue, as that big thick finger of his moved more deeply into her. ~

Simon and Kat clearly have chemistry, the sex was HOT but Simon admits he can only do here and now. When Simon is called downstairs, Kat flees his room, confused and not wanting to trust any man again. She heads straight to the airport for home. Leaving without a single goodbye.

Arriving home safely, Kat is in for a huge surprise when the sexy man who has the ability to take her over the edge, decides he isn't going to let her get away that easy...

The Dare is a Novella and is part of a 4 part series. Tabke, draws you in quickly and keeps your attention. Not once did it feel rushed and her attention to detail kept you wanting more. Yes, it does obviously end in a cliffhanger but it's wasn't to harsh, it just left me excited to see where this can go next.

I would definitely recommend The Dare.

★ 4.5 Stars ★

Buy it
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Love it
I dare you...

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Marulett says

Good enough to keep me interested in the series :)

Angela says

What is with my book choices lately. I just want something I can dive into, enjoy, and not notice the flaws. There were too many flaws here, and I didn't really care about the characters. Katy keeps saying how insecure she is, but doesn't act it. And, I had to endure 40% of her being with an utter and absolute asshole - Evan - who, it turns out, was cheating on his **wife** with her!! Green Eyes, aka Simon, isn't really much of a character at all yet. And honestly, I think that Katy needs some time to figure herself out before jumping into something else.

I can't say I'm at all inspired to go on with this serial (which I don't know why I didn't realize that's what it was when I started.

Previous Status Updates (below):

7%

"Here," he softly exasperated...

Um, I don't think that's how you want to say that.

10%

Yeah, she admitted, and only to herself, that despite her hurt, she was intrigued.

Wha-? Am I the only one that thinks this sentence is incredibly awkward. (It's only one example of many.)

13%

"I'm in and out, fast and furious, down and deep."

Is that supposed to be sexy??

13%

She still couldn't believe the stranger was here. That he'd accepted her invitation to join her and Evan. Well, initially Evan's invitation. But seriously, or an introverted girl like her, loaded with hang-ups to land a hunk like this?

Introverted? I don't think there's enough wine in the world for you to go proposition a complete stranger.

15%

...Green eyes unbuttoned his tailored trousers and shoved them down hisewn thighs...

Hewn? Seriously, is this a common way to refer to legs or muscles?

From Merriam-Webster:

hew

verb ?hyii

: to shape (something) by cutting with a sharp tool (such as an ax)

hewed / hewed or hewn / hew·ing

transitive verb

1: to cut with blows of a heavy cutting instrument

2: to fell by blows of an ax

3: to give form or shape to with or as if with heavy cutting blows

intransitive verb

1: to make cutting blows

2: conform, adhere

20%

Katy was a self-admitted prude in many ways, but when it came to sex, though she tried to suppress it, the sensualist in her came out. It had taken Evan months of relentless pursuit to get her into bed. And now, even after six months, she was still reluctant to let herself go.

Contradictory much?

37%

"I thought you didn't care...We're just fuck buddies."

"Is that all you think you are to me?"

"Aren't I?"

"...I love fucking you....How could you ever think you were just a fuck buddy to me?"

Yes. That response would totally make me believe that you're more than just fuck buddies. Evan is an asshole. He's pissed and punishing her for a dare that he issued and she accepted. Please tell me he's not the hero.

I don't even really want to go on with this.

Crazy for Books (Stephanie) says

Provided by NetGalley for an honest review

I really liked this and for that reason alone, I'm pissed that it was a short novella. It ends on a cliff hanger and now I have to wait to find when the next books in the series will be available. UGH!

Kat is a brilliant scientist and as with many people with high IQ's, she doesn't know when someone is using her or lying to her. She's been dating Evan on the sly because there's a no fraternization rule at work. Little does she know that Evan has another secret, which prevents them from getting closer. She will find out soon enough though.

While at a conference, she drops her papers in front of a stunning man with green eyes that draw her in immediately. Later Evan dares her to pick the guy up and then have a threesome. The sex between all of them is HOT, HOT, HOT! But it ends with the stranger, later known as Simon, not happy with how Evan is treating Katy.

Once Katy finds out the truth about Evan, she swears off men. But not before she has one more sexual encounter with Simon before she runs away convinced that he's just another in her history of bad choices in men... But is he?

Like I said before, I'm really upset that it's not a full book and I can't finish what's happening now. I just hope that the rest will be available soon.

Duchess Nicole says

Seriously sexy but serial... I snatched this one up for free when it was thrown in my direction. I've had a couple of paranormal romances by this author for awhile and have heard amazing things. After reading this, I can see the allure. This woman can drag you into the story in a page or two...and talk about setting up a naughty, titillating story and delivering a scorching hot sexy times! Yes, I was sweating it out for nearly this entire book. Hot, hot, HOT!!!!

However, I will say that I'm somewhat bummed about the page limit to each installment in this series. Sure, I got this book for free. Next 100 pages is \$2.99, with two more installments in the works. At regular price, this regularly sized book (a tad on the long side, for sure) will end up costing about \$12.00. I will only spend that much on an ebook that I've been DYING to read from one of my TOP favorite authors in the world. In fact, I'll likely just go buy the REAL book so that I can share it with friends. Granted, this isn't quite the typical two chapter serial that's been coming out lately but still. That being said, it definitely seems as if this book was written to be broken up like this...the stopping point for this installment was a pretty comfortable place to pause. Back to the book...I will most definitely make sure to read the books by Karin Tabke that I already have. This chick can write, and her ratings show it. Will I be purchasing the next installments in this series? I'm ridiculously tempted, because this sh*t is GOOD sh*t...we shall see. I really want some more of this sexy cop and his tentative new lover.

Cynthia says

Reviewed at Bitten By Paranormal Romance

I really wanted to rate this novella 5 stars, but there were a few things that I just couldn't let slip by. So let's get those out of the way.

This novella is not Contemporary Erotic Romance. It is Erotica. There isn't a HEA or HFN for the H/h in this story. Yes, there is a hint of one to come, but it doesn't end with one and that is where the confusion lies. I'm not a professional by any means, but here are two references you can check out for yourselves: Query Tracker and RWA

I'm a cheapskate. For an enovella of 68 pages, the price of \$2.99 is too deep for my pocketbook. Hell, I just bought five full length ebooks for 99¢!

Finally, if the slime-ball fuck-buddy can cum prepared for a spur-of-the-moment "dare" with the condition that said "dare" must use a condom. Then he sure as hell should have stashed a trial size packet of lube in his pocket. Using "juices" for any anal penetration is a big no-no; no matter how copious!

Whew! Now that I've gotten that over with...

I really did love this story. Honest! Cross my heart and all that jazz!

Katy is a wealthy, intelligent, and likeable woman who is involved with her work, charities and foundations:

A classic “*lab rat*”. Unfortunately, when it comes to matters of the heart and bedroom, Katy is a bit naïve. And that is where the trouble starts. I couldn’t help but like Katy and her spunk. Despite her “boyfriend” setback, she’s determined not to make the same mistake again.

I knew there was something slimy about Evan from the beginning. Could feel it through my Nook – my fingers would slip when turning the page. Still, his character is written so well, you love to hate him! Plus, he does lead Katy in her “sex-education” exploration.

The Dare, Green Eyes, Simon – **sigh** That is all.

If what happened in this room last night got out, her credibility amongst her peers would be gone. Because everyone knew you could not have a genius IQ and fuck a stranger, and like it all while...

Oh, who am I kidding! I’ll dish out whatever is necessary for **The Chronicles of Katrina (Book Two)**. Especially since Ms. Tabke left us LIKE THAT!!!

Janey says

Katrina and her boyfriend, Evan, were in a hotel bar, whilst attending a medical conference. Evan dares her to approach another man, and ask if he wanted to join them for the evening.

He never expected her to go through with it..she never expected to have the night of her life. But she does..

An engaging, condensed, steamy encounter..would be rude not to read on!

Baba says

4.5 hot stars.**Review completed September 6, 2013**

YOWZA! What a nice GREAT surprise! Baba is salivating over a super HOT cop with green eyes!
Yep, he is tattooed.

And his skin was glistening, with drops of water running lazily from his damp hair. Her gaze dropped as it followed one drop sluicing down his belly to his happy trail. Oh to be that drop of water.

Katy's boyfriend Evan is feeling rather daring...

"I dare you to pick one of those cops and take him upstairs."

Katy knows exactly who she wants. It's Mr. Green Eyes.

"Now, are you in or out?"

Dear Lord where did that demanding woman come from?

(...)

He leaned toward her and whispered against her ear, "I'm in and out, fast and furious, down and deep."

They end up having a threesome and Katy enjoys being a naughty girl. The little Miss Proper is actually a very sensual and wanton woman.

From the beginning I was wondering why the stranger appealed more to me than Evan did (view spoiler)**What followed suit was so incredibly enjoyable--sexy, hot and FUN--that I cannot wait to read the sequel. Bring it on, I'm so ready! *grabby hands***

(view spoiler)

"Hi, I'm Katrina, my friends (view spoiler)

He grinned and took her hand, wrapping it in his big warm one. (view spoiler) and in my line of work I learned a long time ago to keep my options open."

"Don't laugh at me. I'm being honest here. Telling you my deepest darkest secrets!"

"I'm not laughing at you, Kat. I'm enjoying your candor."

Yes, Kat is expanding her mind.

"Stop thinking about how much you want to jump my bones," he said without turning around. She gasped. "Don't flatter yourself," she defended. (...)

"If you were my girl, Kat, I would never have put you in that situation." He turned back to her flashing her a fierce possessive look. "Ever."

"I believe you, but why did you really come upstairs with Evan and me?"

His lips twitched before settling in a firm line. "I guess I wanted (view spoiler)

The ménage scene was good but not nearly as great as the second sex scene. As an author you have to get across a specific message and when it comes to erotica or erotic romance then the message is all about passion *and* emotion. As a reader I need to feel *that*. Even a simple f@ck sex scene must evoke some kind of emotion in me, and I'm happy to tell you the author sure accomplished *that* with The Dare. Come to think of it, the second sex scene was much more than a simple f@ck. Dayum! I really loved it and I also liked (view spoiler)

Katy is a self-admitted prude; she is inhibited and reserved and isn't really aware of her beauty. However, when it came to sex she could turn into a wanton and sensual woman. I'd say she has no problems whatsoever in that department when she (view spoiler) Katy wanted to please Evan. That's the reason she agreed to have sex with a stranger. So, when she hit the sheets with the handsome Adonis, she was overwhelmed by his sexual prowess, his passion and determination.

When (view spoiler) To a certain extent I must agree, considering that she is highly intelligent. Yet on the other hand, I must cut her some slack because she was very inexperienced when it came to men and relationships in general.

Accepting the handcuffs wasn't about emotional trust; that was something she doubted she would ever give a man again. This was about pure, unadulterated lust.

It's been a long time since I read my last book by Karin Tabke and I'm super glad I picked up this hot little number! Granted, there is nothing new to it, yet it is compellingly written. Great dialogue, well placed humor, wonderful characters (view spoiler), sizzling hot bedroom action, and fabulous chemistry between (view spoiler) are the perfect ingredients to win my heart. Absolutely worth reading. Gimme more!

Minor quibble

The Dare is book one of a four part series. I would have preferred one single book, but I know series are good for business. Anyway, I don't mind paying for a few very good novellas, yet I expect them to be as great as the first one.

Recommended read.

Warning

The Dare contains explicit sex (incl. oral but no anal), one ménage scene and handcuffs. It is NOT a BDSM story.

[~Ami~]♥Sexy Dexy♥ says

4 stars

Two men. One dare. Can Katrina let go and accept the challenge?

Wooh! Liked this one. I'd say there was definitely **more sex than storyline** but as long as the sex was hot who cares right? I actually really liked Karina and Simon was so sweet.

Looking forward to seeing where the story will go with these two. **Short sexy and sweet** and still an Amazon freebie!

Sandi ♥'s way too many M/M books says

Wow hot and fun

SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says

Part 1 of 4.

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<http://www.amazon.com/The-Dare-Chroni...>

J *deep in the heart of Texas* says

5--I Dare You--Stars!!

After finishing Breaking Bad and meeting Simon and Katrina I had to jump right in to this series. Where as Breaking Bad was a full book, this series is broken in to four parts!

It seems the recurring theme is heroines that are dominant, strong and independent woman by day but like to be controlled in the bedroom.

"I crave, Simon. Things I shouldn't. Things I never told Evan or any man. Things I shouldn't want to do."

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"Like with Girls?"

"Ha, wouldn't you like to watch that?"

"Like, I think I like to be dominated,"...

Katrina is no different. She's been dating Evan for 6 months, though they have to keep their relationship hidden because they work together. Katrina has never had an orgasm.

While in town for work, Evan dares Katrina to invite a man to their bedroom.

Simon is a cop and is also in town for work. He and Katrina previously bumped in to each other at the hotel and there was some definite sparks. Simon is the obvious choice for the third person in the threesome. And he accepts!

Evan turns out to be a....

There is definite chemistry between Simon and Katrina and Evan can't seem to handle. When the truth about Evan comes out, Katrina is left once again hurt emotionally. She swears off guys but Simon isn't going to let Katrina go easily!

My thoughts...I'm getting

Really like where things are going so far. A bit of a cliffy ending I suppose. The weekend is over and Katrina

returns home. Will she ever hear from or see Simon again?

Crystal~BIG book addict~ says

5 Huge Simon Says Stars!

For a novella, this book was awesome!

And Simon

Katy and her boyfriend are at a conference in a hotel and they see Simon checking her out from across the bar. Her boyfriend Evan dares her to go over and ask him to join them in a threesome. Surprisingly, given her normally prudish ways, she accepts and off they go to her room for one night of fun.

"Now, are you in or out?" ~Katy

"I'm in and out, fast and furious, down and deep." ~Simon

When it is all said and done, Evan is having a hard time with how Katy reacted to Simon since she never reacted to him that way. Long story short, Evan is a pig and Katy rids herself of him.

"If you were my girl, Kat, I would never have put you in that situation." ***He turned back to her flashing her a possessive look. "Ever."*** ~Simon

The next night, she goes down to the bar in hopes of finding Simon. What happens in his room definitely has sparks flying.

Simon says:

Take yours off first.

Simon says:

Then hold on, sweetheart.

Simon says:

Did you think I'd let you get away?

Can't wait to get started on book 2!
