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He needs a girlfriend and she needs a boyfriend – for Christmas anyway.

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Bonnie Dale Keck says

Kindle Unlimited, typos and way too many extra or wrong commas along with oddly/wrongly phrased sentences and misunderstanding one after another coupled with time after time of huh? - having to reread a sentence and most times it still not making any sense but especially not for if the 'sex' was on video recording how was it found and by who and who played it with the added part of who filmed it since it was filmed that way evidently. The one person viewpoint present tense definitely didn't work right nor well, and such major errors as asides going 'round for dinner' and seeing a couple's personal bedroom shots made even less sense than some of the other stuff, because it specially said before that it was for their bedroom. Pretty bad when a reader can, barely but still, figure that out yet the person writing the story can't. By the way, a strip club is not the same as a sex club. and the last sentence made absolutely no sense. If I don't go ahead and post this review will end up dropping it to a 2, the more think about what all was wrong with this. {Note that the blurb is written more in past tense type, whereas the actual story line was not, and whatever that was ended up just being beyond confusing. I went out of my way to cut this slack as it was because don't do 'romance' and 3 is the BEST rating.

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Oct 29, 2018 Anitajt rated it it was amazing

Omg what a truly wild, entertaining and fabulous story. The author has encompassed an exciting witty journey into the lives of two people who meet on a train to their families at Christmas and agree to help each other. Guaranteed laugh out loud adventure and romance.

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Dec 02, 2017 Rosina rated it liked it

Shelves: christmas-reads, contemporary, romance, chick-lit

More of a 2.5. I loved the first few chapters and thought Annie was really funny, but when the male lead came into the story, she got less likeable. I'm insecure as hell but her insecurity didn't even make sense. Her fake boyfriend was calling her gorgeous and stunning every 5 minutes and saying he'd never had so much fun in his life yet she was constantly thinking he didn't like her. Sigh. Also every time they called each other 'boyfriend' or 'girlfriend' a part of me died.

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Dec 18, 2018 Laura rated it really liked it

A sweet Christmas Romance.

Annie after losing her job and her boyfriend meet a stranger on a train and concocts the ultimate Christmas deception.

I liked Annie's character alot... She was funny original and relate-able, the other characters came up a little bland in comparison, not bad just a little predictable.

Definitely an easy read that will put you in the Christmas spirit

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Nov 16, 2017 Jessica Mercado added it

Shelves: kindle-unlimited, dnf

DNF'd at 53%

This story just doesn't seem to be going anywhere.

Most of the writing is repetitive about how they look at the main female protagonist as well as how Single, jobless and almost homeless she is.

There isn't anything remarkable about the relationship aspect they're trying to create either.

This was a no for me.

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Nov 30, 2017 Nicole rated it did not like it

The synopsis of this book was right up my ally and I really wanted to like it, sadly it missed the mark. The main character was wishy washy and annoying to be likeable and everything seemed repetitive.

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Mar 04, 2018 Nandi rated it it was ok

Very repetitive Liam is constantly pulling her close and holding her tightly! This is an extremely frustrating book as it started off so very well then it just became intolerable. If you like cheesiness and Rom coms this may just be for you!!

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Jan 06, 2019 Iris rated it liked it

Shelves: contemporary

Lord help me. I actually finished this entire book although I must admit that there were times when I seriously considered putting it down for something... ANYTHING, else. Please don't get me wrong, I didn't hate the story. Not at all. However, I do have this tiny little thing about grammar and the proper use of it. While reading this book, my OCD was going nuts over every misplaced comma and apostrophe. Someone get this author an editor. While you're at it, get her a proofreader as well.

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Annie Anderson sat in front of Mr. Prendergast as he gave her the bad news. She was being let go from her job, right before Christmas. As she thought about the non-helpful, non-friendly people she has been working with, she fixed them the worst coffee she could make and served it in dirty cups that no one else washed. She

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Nov 16, 2018 Gill rated it liked it

I'm not entirely sure of why I got this book in the first place. It's not really my kind of book. I've had the book a while but something must have caught my eye about it and it did keep me interested enough to finish it.

The book got off to quite a good start. When Annie and Liam decided to help each other out by pretending to be each others boyfriend and girlfriend, they first attended the wedding of Liam's niece. This part of the book I thought was quite good. It moved along at a pace and kept

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Jun 22, 2017 Atila Yumusakkaya rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

It is fun to read My Christmas Boyfriend. It is entertaining, lighthearted, makes you smile and laugh out loud. This is the story of Ann and Liam who happen to come across on a train. They decide to pretend to be sweethearts to avoid from their boring parents during Christmas time. You are always curious as to what will happen next when reading. Little secrets both arise curiosity and make it more intriguing. The book flows smoothly from one chapter to another.

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Jun 29, 2017 Nadine rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

A Christmas story in the middle of summer! But that didn't matter at all and it was everything I had expected. Light, easy to read, fun! I could relate to Annie, which is something that is always a plus for me. I really enjoyed it and if you're in the mood for some humorous romance, you're in the right place! Sweet and spice and everything nice...

I received a complimentary copy of this book and voluntarily provided an honest review.

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Nov 30, 2018 Lisa Brouillard rated it it was amazing

A joy to read!!!

I adore S J Crabb's style of writing. My review cannot do justice to the flow of her stories, the fun and laughter, the way she has her characters rebound from bad. This book is all that and more when Liam and Annie meet on a train. From there it just gets better and funnier with so many side stories so it becomes not just about Liam and Annie alone but about them interacting with their wacky families. Great read.....loved it!!!!

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Dec 12, 2018 Jennifer Hill rated it it was ok

Shelves: 2018-books

It was a decent book, although I was very annoyed by the constant repetition of the phrase "for my/our sins..." I don't know if that's a British thing or, but for some reason it just really annoyed me. Also how Annie and Liam kept calling each other "girlfriend" and "boyfriend"...that just annoyed me too. But maybe I was just in an annoyed state of mind while reading. Anyway, decent story, but I don't know that I would go out of my way to read anything else by this author.

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Nov 22, 2017 Chantal-Lise Mirman rated it really liked it

Merry Mayhem

The collision of Annie, a self-professed ugly duckling with an independent and quirky spirit, and Liam, a glamorous high-powered but unfulfilled Fashion Photographer, results in an unexpected Holiday adventure full of hilarious confrontations and self-realization. An interesting cast of characters and a pervasive Christmas Spirit round out this fun Romance read that flies headlong into an HEA with only minor bumpsoi

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Dec 26, 2017 Stacy rated it it was amazing

Great Christmas Read

I really enjoyed this book. The story was fun, the characters amusing and lovable. I'd like to meet a man on a train like Liam! And Annie would be a fun friend. Definitely seeing both of their lives through the others eyes was "eye opening " and makes you wonder what actually is behind the scenes in what seems to be perfect lives.

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Nov 30, 2018 Mrs Nancy Moore rated it it was amazing

Nice easy read. Love it. It was very soppy but very enjoyable. One observation I made was that the photographer was dancing at the wedding during the 'first dance' and I know from going to two weddings this year that the bride would defo of wanted photographs taken of their first dance as a married couple. Only a small criticism and only mentioning it as author asked for comments.

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Dec 07, 2018 eileen fothergill rated it really liked it

A fun filled romantic read

I enjoyed this story which revolves around a young couple who meet by chance on a train after the girls life takes a turn for the worst .Having lost her job ,finding her boyfriend otherwise engaged and with the threat of losing her home decides to go home to her parents for christmas when she meets the lovely laim

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Dec 04, 2017 Debbie K. rated it it was amazing

I really enjoyed this book. I hate when I read that a book is a "comedy" or "funny" and I wonder whether they read the same book as me. This book delivers. It truly had some laugh out loud moments. I loved the characters; especially Liam. He is a great book boyfriend. I would recommend this book and can see myself re-reading this book for the laughs and the story.

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Jul 10, 2018 Dianne Pittman rated it it was amazing

Definitely a Five Star read

This is the second book by This b author that / I have read and I'm looking forward to reading every book of his that I can get my hands on. ..The characters are really interesting , the Plot is well developed and it is a book that you hate to see end..

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Jul 14, 2017 Dawn Bradman rated it it was amazing

Brilliant Festive Feel Good Story

I received an advanced reviewers copy for free for an honest review. This is a brilliant feel good story which lifts your mood instantly. I read this book in two sittings as I could not put it down. I just had to know how Annie and Liam spent Christmas. I wholly recommend this uplifting read. You will not be disappointed.

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Jun 28, 2018 Bekah Graham rated it it was amazing

What Fun

This was a fun, lighthearted read in the face of all that is depressing going on these days. I laughed but felt the characters were rich and full. I LOVED the secrets everyone was trying to hide

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Dec 06, 2018 Marilyn Fowler rated it really liked it

Easy reading

An easy to read bit of nonsense. As usual in these kind of tales the traumatised girl gets the handsome rich man and lives happily ever after. Can't beat it at Christmas.

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Nov 21, 2017 Joyce rated it really liked it

Crazy Fun

Wonderful Christmas Story with believable characters that spend their holiday together. Chance meeting gives two people a crazy idea to attend one family wedding and Christmas at the other family house. Great read. Can't wait to read more of her books.

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Sep 14, 2018 Vanessa McCormick rated it it was amazing

Feel Good Festive Read

A warming festive romantic comedy.

Endearing characters, funny LOL moments, a real page turner that has you wanting more. Another enjoyable read by S J Crabb.

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Dec 07, 2018 Claire rated it it was amazing

Brilliant

I loved this book. I always like to read a Christmas book and the cover caught my eye followed by the blurb. I didn't want this book to end, but I was desperate to find out what happened.

Loved loved loved it.

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Dec 28, 2018 Andee-louise rated it really liked it

I'm not much of a chick-lit romantic comedy reader, but I downloaded a bunch of Xmas book and enjoyed reading something untaxing. It's a cute romance with sweet characters, a couple of crazy families and some good subplots. I enjoyed it!

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Kinga says

Let me preface this review by saying I watched Netflix's Christmas Prince, and then I watched The Princess Switch the next day, so clearly I can take a lot. My threshold for trash is high. And yet, this, despite a very enticing (Christmas, pretend relationship, British railways) premise and a somewhat engaging first chapter

bombed so badly, one star seems generous.

Let's start with details and work our way up to the big picture. First of all, no one has even proofread this blasted thing. Apostrophes are running wild here – plural of brandy is 'brandy's', plural of 'wedding' is 'wedding's' and there is even the mysterious 'beggar's belief'. What even...? Also, I'm no comma police but there are some basic rules that I even I try to stick to and this book occasionally looks like some incoherent internet comment with random punctuation. The whole thing is written in the first person and present tense that did my head in.

There are so many repetitions - certain phrases, sometimes even entire concepts and explanations pop out again and again. We hear the family has a tradition of buying one pound Secret Santa gifts to each other and then we hear it explained again and start to worry we live in some truly horror version of the Groundhog Day where we have to re-read that book every single day. And I'm sure other readers would join me in wishing the heroine would finally run her fingers through the hero's hair and get it over with because if I had to read one more time how she really wanted to do it I was going to scream. Yes, we get it. The man is not follicly challenged.

Don't even get me started on the heroine. She was an accountant who gets sacked on the very first page and we are supposed to believe it was unfair and every single colleague of hers was an asshole and/or an idiot. However, as we get to know Annie it becomes painfully obvious she is an actual moron who has never had one logical thought in her life, so I seriously doubt she could be even a half good accountant. Everything that can be misinterpreted, will be misinterpreted and she will overact and behave like a banshee. So how come does the gorgeous and successful Liam fall for her so hard? Simple. Liam is not an actual human being but a rather unsophisticated bot. His only job (other than being gorgeous and successful) is to tell Annie how gorgeous, smart, funny and full of personality she is. I mean, yeah, compared to a bot, maybe. Yes, people, that is all he does.

There is no real romantic development here. Annie just constantly pines for Liam and thinks about how 'soon this will be over and he will go back to his glamorous life'. 'What would he want with a girl like me?' It's such an excruciatingly boring pity party I wanted Annie to just get in the sea.

The whole set-up is unclear anyway. Whenever the 'pretend relationship' trope is used in romance novels/movies both parties must have very clear reasons to participate in the charade. I've no idea what Liam needed a pretend girlfriend for really. So he can take her to a family wedding where she can be humiliated and ridiculed? Yes. She meets Liam's family who turn out to be truly toxic and malicious but somehow she is like "ah, wait until you meet my crazy family, you will regret this whole thing". Annie constantly tells Liam he really 'didn't know what he signed up for.' Yeah, Liam, wait till you meet Annie's mother. She is really nice and likes The Famous Five a lot and named the dog Timmy. Holy shit, I hope you're ready. Annie's motivation for the charade is that her sister is bringing her boyfriend, so Annie doesn't want to look like a failure. And she also talks about how she really doesn't want to go there and dreads it. And then her family is perfectly nice, and from the moment she arrives she just talks about how much she loves them and loves being there and it's really unclear how this family could possibly give her a hard time for not bringing a boyfriend for Christmas. That freaking neurotic Annie.

But the time with the family is well spent because Liam gets to see how caring Annie is, when she learns her little boy cousin wants a Barbie doll for Christmas. She is initially horrified of course, but soon it turns out the little boy just wants to exchange the doll for sexual favours from a girl in his school who wants that particular doll. Phew! You would think this would be a good time to explain to the little boy that you don't exchange presents for sexual favours but the characters are so relieved the little boy isn't gay or something that they miss this great educational opportunity.

Most of the plot and subplot make absolutely no fucking sense but eventually all ends well and the Hysterical Annie and Liambot live happily ever after.

And now come the spoilers because I just need to share these oddities with you.

It's a very clean romance; all that happens are two kisses (and one of them is for show). Despite Liambot's gorgeousness, Annie doesn't have any sexy thoughts about him, and dreaming about running her hand through his hair is as salacious as it gets. On the other hand, though, there is a true cornucopia of truly bizarre sex subplots and episodes. I kept remembering more as I was writing them down. It's a very Puritanical sex obsession, that has no time for normal nice and healthy sex but plenty for the unhealthy kind. (view spoiler)

There is probably more.
