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'I Must Stand Up for Myself More' so promises Maggie Storm who spends her days cleaning houses for people who often have more money than manners. Married to a man with as much sex appeal as Mr Blobby, she dreams of a life straight from the pages of a romantic novel.

'My Head Must Rule Over My Heart' so promises Ella Moore who, determined never to let her heart get the better of her again, is recovering from seven wasted years of failing to win over the daughter of the man with whom she wanted to spend the rest of her life.

'No More Women' so promises Ethan Edwards who, to distract himself from the depressing sham of his marriage, is a repeat offender when it comes to turning to other women for sexual consolation. But when Ella appears unexpectedly in his life, he finds himself turning to her for very different reason

## **Promises, Promises Details**

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## **Sylvia says**

i loved this book, an easy read, so true to real life, will definitely be reading more from this author

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## **Janet says**

hmm .. not a favourite

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## **Corinne says**

Enjoyable Erica James

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## **Louise Cole says**

Plodded my way through it. Not dreadful but not captivating!

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## **Riva says**

I have read all of Erica James'books. She has the knack of creating an emotional rollercoaster which makes us laugh one minute and cry the next. She writes light romance but not quite so light as to be chick-lit. Having said that, I don't think this is one of her best. I found the characters a little too black and white and stereotyped. The 'bad' characters especially had nothing at all to redeem them. There was also a little too much reliance on co-incidence. After the first few chapters, I did consider putting it down but I persevered and although a little too light for my taste, it was a good read in the end. It won't put me off buying her next book but only on the basis of those I've read before.

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## **Adeline Kam says**

Bought this book for many years already but didn't manage to finish it. Lately I just try reading it again and wow..this book is good. A lengthy book but with short, interesting chapters. A very real story as to what is going in most people's life now. It is a matter of what we want and can we do anything to change the life we have now. I enjoyed every chapters in this book. Great story and characters. Wish this book can be made into a movie too! Kudos Erica James! :-)

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## **Sonjaborn says**

Leuk boek om even tussendoor te lezen!

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## **June Staff says**

This was an unputdownable book for me.....yes one of those you pick up whenever you have a spare 10 mins. Great characters and insight into relationships. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it.

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## **Sofie says**

Erica James - Nederlandstalig - 397 pagina's - 9789032511920 - april 2011

Beloofd is beloofd is een super fijn boek dat heel vlot leest en waar geen einde aan mag komen.

Het boek volgt 3 personen, Maggie, Ethan en Ella. Maggie is de poetsvrouw van Ethan en Ella is een gespecialiseerd decoratieschilderes dat het huis van Ethan zal opknappen. Ethan is ongelukkig getrouwd, Maggie is ongelukkig getrouwd en Ella is aan het herstellen van een mislukte relatie.

De auteur vertelt afwisselend vanuit de verschillende personages, in de "ze" vorm. Ik kon me super goed inleven en voelde met hen allemaal mee. De auteur laat hun wereld en gedachten echt tot leven komen. Alle woorden zijn heel duidelijk en goed gebruikt. Er waren geen woorden dat ik niet kon plaatsen of begrijpen.

Naar mijn inziens zaten er geen verrassende wendingen in het boek. Eens de lijn gezet was werd het duidelijk wie met wie zou eindigen. Enkel op 1 gebied was ik wel heel erg benieuwd of ze gekwetst zou worden of niet. Ik verwacht niet van boeken dat ze helemaal origineel zijn of ongelooflijke plottwist hebben. Ik wil dat ze me vastnemen en meehebben tot het einde. Dit boek deed dat, het boek liet me niet los.

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## **Aparna says**

Another heart warming story from Erica James. What I love about Erica's books is that they are so realistic. You can relate with the characters and recognize their flaws.

This story revolves around three individuals Ethan, Maggie and Ella who have made themselves a promise to change one thing about themselves.

Ethan has sworn to keep away from women and one night stands.. Maggie has sworn to stand up for herself..Ella has sworn to move on from the toxic relationship that she just got out off..The story follows the struggle these three individuals face to stick with their promises. What happens when their paths cross in strange and unexpected ways..Definitely worth a read...

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**Sheena says**

My first Erica James book read really liked it!

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**Sandra Richardson says**

What a great read, so many of us must be able to identify with Maggie Storm....made me laugh out loud on many occasions ...especially Ethan singing in the garden!

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**Fiona Story says**

Probably a 2.75 star rating is more appropriate. Fairly sweet and readable, but nothing outstanding. A nice light read, which is all I am up for at the moment!

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**Sonia Bellhouse says**

3 stars from me. We've all done it, made promises to ourselves, vowing to change something in our lives. Erica James takes three people all at a point of wanting to change an aspect of their lives. Maggie dreams of romance while stuck in a depressing marriage and working as a cleaner. Ella wasted seven years with a man who couldn't challenge his spoilt teenage daughter while Ethan consoles himself for his loveless marriage by having one night stands. They all vow to change and make a different life this year, but promises are easily made and harder to keep. While I did enjoy the story and was cheering them on from the sidelines at times I felt that it dragged slightly, which why I choose to give three stars.

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**Kate says**

Ugh. I had a difficult time even getting into this book. The characters were over the top awful which made it unbelievable. Even the main characters, who I think I was supposed to like/root for annoyed the crap out of me. I found myself skipping ahead just to see if it was going to get any better. It didn't.

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