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## From Reader Review Where I Need to Be for online ebook

### Kim Person says

The author provided me a beta copy of Where I Need to Be for my honest thoughts on how things were progressing, the book was done :), and my thoughts on the book itself. After providing that I'm now able to post my review since the book will be released on December 15, 2012. I'm so excited to be able to share this with everyone.....

Do you want a book that has those first glances, first eye contact you know the thrill of the stranger you see at the gym that smiles at you and in that brief eye contact you want to know more about him? Well, guess what this book has it and more- a lot more.....

Spencer has just caught her boyfriend of two years- Travis- banging his skank of a secretary. Well Spencer's BFF Ryan thinks it's time for Spencer to get her ass up off the couch and join the land of the living again. Spencer is supposed to check out Club 24 a new gym that just opened in the San Francisco area for work. This is probably the best work assignment Spencer's ever been given! Ryan makes sure Spencer gets out of the house and moves on from Travass- she is the bomb of a BFF.

It's at Club 24 where Spencer first lays eyes on "him". They see each other in passing whenever Spencer comes in to work out and each time they make eye contact he just smiles at her. Spencer tells Ryan "OMFG, I have my very own Gideon Cross at the gym." He has a smile that makes Spencer melt.....

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Ryan & Spencer decide to go to Vegas for a girls weekend after Ryan ended things with her long time boyfriend, Max. So the girls head to the airport and go to the gate and who does Spencer see... yes it's "HIM".....He's there with another man and a woman. Yes they make that eye contact again and then he smiles.

Well the girl's had a great time in Vegas and my favorite scene is the nightclub scene where Spencer is dancing (hottest dance scene EVER) .....

The trip to Vegas proved very informative as we learn that Spencer's very own "Gideon Cross" is Brandon and he is just as interested in Spencer as she was with him. We get to watch their relationship bloom. There are the moments where it was like....

Oh yeah, and where well I think if you use your imagination you could probably come up with where! HOT SEXY AWESOME scenes that were well written and very erotic :):....

The deeper their relationship gets the happier I got and then.....

The twist well I'm not telling you but I will say freaking pure genious to add this and what happened will have you....

I swear I so wanted to.....

Your emotions will seriously go from one extreme to the next! I went from happy, turned on, shocked, angry and then....

To finally end up feeling.....

Where I Want to Be is Kimberly Knight's first book. She did an awesome job ensuring that she covered the bases to ensure a that a reader that wanted happy- got it, angst- oh you got it- hot times between the sheets- OH HECK YES it's there.... and there's more but you need to read the book!

This was a 5 star read for me I LOVED IT! I ADORED IT ! I WANT MORE! and you will WANT A LOT MORE - Guess what you will get it too this ones a trilogy!!!! Be sure this is on your TBR you don't want to miss this one!

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### **Amanda says**

I also had the awesome privilege of getting an ARC copy of this book. Guess who was up until 3am after promising I wouldn't? That'd be me! Once I started it, there was no stopping it. Without spoiling, it's hot, surprising, and had twists that I didn't see coming. The characters and scenes are described so well that I could actually envision everything.

This book was GREAT and everyone needs to buy a copy when it comes out! It definitely made me ready for what's beyond this book. I just wish it had been longer!

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### **Angie - Angie's Dreamy Reads says**

#### **3 STARS**

I won an ARC of this book on the author's Facebook page and was really excited to start it right away. The cover was one of the very first things I noticed about the book and it really drew me in. Quite honestly, there is nothing better than a super sexy cover and this author definitely has that. I found the book to be incredibly steamy and I loved that. There was sex everywhere!!! And when I say everywhere; I mean **EVE-RY-  
WHERE!!** Brandon and Spencer the main characters, have amazing chemistry. There is no doubt that this author knows how to write a hot sex scene. There were, however, a couple problems that stood out to me with the book. The first of them for me was the dialogue. It lacked a lot of depth and flow throughout. The conversations felt a bit forced and a little corny at times. There were several instances where I found myself rolling my eyes; I simply needed more substance. The plot for me was okay, overall, but lacked depth as well. Whenever something substantial happened to the characters, the situation almost immediately turned into a sexual encounter between them. I have to say that nearly fifty percent of the book is sex; it could easily be more than that and while I like sex in my books, too much of it can be a turn off. The plot felt repetitious at times and halfway through the book I started to lose interest. The ending also came out of the blue for me; it was definitely something I was absolutely NOT expecting. With a little more work the author could have a great book. The story has so much potential; I just felt at the end of it that I was left feeling unfulfilled.... :/

Spencer is depressed after losing someone she believed to be the love of her life. Her story begins when she walks in on her boyfriend of two years having sex with his secretary over his desk (**ASSHOLE :/**). Ryan, her best friend, tries to get Spence out of her depressive state by convincing her that she needs to get up and move past him and on with her life. Spencer, working as an Executive Assistant for a health and fitness company, decides the first step to getting over her asshole ex is to get back to work. Part of her work assignment is to check out the local gym that just opened in her area. While on the treadmill at the gym, she spots a hunky, delicious looking man exercising next to her. His smile is electric and one of the first things she notices. She doesn't have the guts to talk to him at first and tries sending him little flirtatious gestures to let him know that she's interested but mystery man never approaches. A little down over the fact that her new eye candy is not getting her flirty signals Spencer convinces her BFF that they need a weekend in Vegas. You know what they say, 'What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas'. But for Spencer, the Vegas trip takes an interesting turn as she encounters her mystery man in a club. The rendezvous turns out to be a sizzling start to a relationship that Spence has only ever dreamed of. She quickly learns that it's not all fairy-tales though when a crazy ex of Brandon's (*aka Mystery Man – I named him that ;)* *he seemed mysterious at the beginning*) causes some huge issues for them.

Brandon and Spencer are both really sweet characters. I really feel like I could have fallen head over heels in love with them after some tweaking to their dialogue and a tad less sex. There also really needed to be more character development. I'm sad that there were things that held me back from really, really loving the book. I

would still recommend you giving this a try, it was enjoyable but not great which is what I was expecting. I would recommend this if you are looking for something solely based on the steam factor. There is no doubt that this book is absolutely smuttastic. :)

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*P.S ~ this is my honest review. I hate being negative in reviews but I feel like I have to say what I felt after finishing the book. I, in no way want to hurt anyone's feelings and hope you remember while reading my reviews that this is just my opinion. Please take it as that!!! :) Happy reading <3*

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### **Kimberly says**

What can I say... Oh I wrote it so I think it is awesome!

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### **Kim says**

This book was short and sweet.

I liked Spencer and Brandon. Spencer was getting out of a 2 year relationship and being cheated on. Brandon is a super hot guy she runs into at the gym.

My favorite line of the book as she runs on the treadmill and is texting her friend:

*OMFG, I have my very own Gideon Cross at the gym. Hot guy running on the treadmill next to me!*

Their flirting at the beginning was really cute and they have good chemistry. Brandon was a total sweetheart and the perfect man. He just has a crazy ex.

Spencer was depressed at the beginning of the book since her ex cheated on her, but her past issues did not really get in the way of her dating Brandon. Brandon is totally swoon worthy. They quickly just become the perfect couple.

*"Nothing else matters except you, Spencer. Nothing. You're what I want, what I need. Where you are is where I need to be. I need you here in my life with me."*

I loved her friend Ryan who was dealing with her own boyfriend issues. And the supporting characters were all supportive of them.

I think the story idea was a good one. There was some drama, but for me it was resolved pretty quickly. I just felt like the story had good characters and good bones, but lacked depth. Maybe I am used to stories with more angst and heartbreak that keep me riveted. The characters just handled all of the drama too well. The majority of this short book were sex scenes. They were really a sweet couple who could not keep their hands off each other. They did have probably one of the sexiest dance scenes I have read in a book though.

The book ended kind of abruptly and opened it right up for book 2 Wanted. I will probably read it just to see where the characters end up. It was a good debut novel from Kimberly Knight. I would just like to see more

intensity and strife.

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## **Marq(ReadingRomanceinColor) says**

I am an admitted cover whore. When I was perusing Amazon's site, looking for something new and fresh to read, the first thing that caught my eye was the hot cover. Now that covers are being Fifty Shaded to death, I flock to the sexy man chest covers now more than ever. Plus the short blurb was interesting. Scorned woman goes to Vegas to soothe her wounded heart. Good times will follow. It's a win-win, right? **WRONG!**

The blurb is misleading. Yes, Spencer and Ryan go to Vegas but that trip is a small blip in the entire book. And the guy, Brandon, that Spencer sees in Vegas, she has already semi-met at her local gym. So what is this "Vegas will change her lie forever" nonsense? Spencer did not meet Brandon in Vegas and have a whirlwind affair. They ran into each other, dirty danced, had an orgasm from said dancing and then poof! The rest of the weekend was glazed over and then Spencer and Ryan are back in San Francisco. I felt like mentioning Vegas in the blurb was a way to draw people in. Well it worked for me and now I'm pissed!

The characters in *Where I Need to Be* are in their late 20s but this book read like a YA or New Adult. Major editing is needed. Everything is described in detail except for the characters' appearance. I have no idea what Spencer, Ryan or Max look like. I do know that Brandon has brown hair and brown eyes. Apparently he is Spencer's very own Gideon Cross (that reference annoyed me BTW. Make the book your own please). The story is told in Spencer's 1st person POV. Why, I have no idea because she is not interesting. The fact that she got a lady boner because Brandon called her "babe" in a text should tell you her ass is not ready for a mature relationship. Maybe I've been married to long, but how is that a thing to swoon over? How about an extremely romantic dinner followed by a flowers, a long walk on the beach and the guy playing his guitar by a fire (corny I know but come on. That's so much better than a dude calling you babe via text). I swear, 20-somethings have no standards these days.

So Brandon and Spencer's relationship moves at rapid speed and after only a week, they are in love and Brandon is giving Spencer a key to his condo. \*insert eye roll here\* They are having lots of sex, sex, sex. So far, I'm almost okay with the story until Brandon's ex-girlfriend pops up with some Maury Povich-ish and the book plummets from there.

Now I'm even more pissed because I'm like, this is not what I signed up for when I bought this book. Why does there have to be over-the-top drama in a romance? Do authors think that makes it better? Here's your answer: NO. Stop it. Just stop.

After many more eye rolls and heavy sighs, I finally finish the book. The book just ends. I kept hitting my Kindle, thinking there's more. Nope. So you know what that means. There's a sequel. Ugh. Why??? I don't want to read about Spencer anymore! I don't care about her. I don't care about any of the characters in this book. Needless to say, I will not be reading the next book in this series.

Oh and one more thing: WTF is up with girls having guy names? I mean REALLY! Spencer, Ryan. Ryan's not even spelled to look like it's a girl. Add an extra 'n' or something! It took me forever to keep the names straight in my head and not fall into thinking I was reading a m/m romance.

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### **Holly says**

I had the honor of getting an early copy from Kimberly and let me tell you, I just finished this and already I NEED part two! Where I Need to Be has EVERYTHING I looks for in a book; a strong heroine, a freaking hot as hell man, sex that'll make your toes curl coupled with romance and drama! And I also now HAVE to go to Vegas namely Lavo, the nightclub and hope to hell I'd have luck like Spencer lol

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### **The Reviewer says**

I have to admit, I didn't expect this book to be sooo good. I felt anxious from half the book until the end; I even bite my nails. I was like WHAAAAA?!! I can say I even prayed for Spencer's sake. Everything was too good to be true and then WHAM.! Unexpected turn of events.

What I liked about "Where I need to be", is that the author gave us a down to earth story with real life scenarios. The story takes place in San Francisco, California so that gives us a reference of where the Characters are from and also makes you feel like if you were the one experiencing the story. I read in recent reviews that the book had sex everywhere and it DOES! Isn't that what we all do when we are crazy for someone we are dating and practically just met?! No?! Well I do LOL :S. Brandon super HOT a is a gentleman. This man is so mature, confident, supportive, sexy, rich; he has everything a woman wants in a guy.

What I didn't like...DAMN I loved the story and enjoyed every part of it. so no dislikes.

The story takes place in San Francisco with a woman named Spencer who works as an EA to a CEO from a web site that provides fitness and nutritional information to people. She recently broke up with her boyfriend because she caught him banging his secretary at his office LOL. We all have read books about this situations but honestly I was so glad the ex aka TravAss was just mentioned at the beginning and we had a slight peek of him halfway but that's it. Her boss is writing a story about a gym called Club 24 and gives her a free 2 week pass and there's where she meets her very own "Gideon Cross" LOL. Sexy knowing smiles pass by, flirtatious looks, but then, her best friend broke up with her boyfriend too...So what do they do?! Of course they go to VEGAS baby!! This was actually a very good plot and I really enjoyed it. I even do extra time in the treadmill while reading this story. At the end everything is sorted out as always with a "HEA" or at least that's what the author makes us think. We will have to wait until "wanted" gets published to know how this ends.

I'm gonna give this book a 5 star.

Thank you Kim.

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### **Vikki ~ \*squee\* lite ~ says**

This one totally lost me. The relationship between the characters just felt totally off. I they danced around each other (metaphorically) for a while - then there was some weird interaction in Vegas - and then all the sudden it's spending every night together and declarations of undying love after just a couple of weeks. It just

felt totally unnatural. I don't understand the point of the whole Trevor/Max story line which looked like it might somewhere - but totally got dropped. And the whole "crazy ex girlfriend thing was played out in the most cliched way possible.

Also, just the general writing style and dialogue was odd in places. Occasionally there would be this long monologue where I was just left thinking "no one would just spout off all that crap all in one long sentence". Several times Brandon's "voice" was very "girly". The whole thing just made it hard for me to stay "in" the story

Then, then ending was abrupt. I wouldn't call it a "cliffhanger" - but it felt very much like it ended at what should have been the 3/4 mark of the novel.

I don't think I'll for back for seconds.

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### **Juls says**

Okay first off I have to say I was kinda put off with the fact that the main chick had a dudes name and on top of that her bff also had a dudes names. What are the odds? Maybe that's why they became bff's? Anyhoo that didnt stop me from enjoying this book. In fact I loved it!

The mysterious guy Spencer meets at the gym seems to keep popping up everywhere she goes. Especially in her dreams. She cant stop thinking about him.

Spencer just recently found her loser of an ex banging his secretary and was on her way to an ice cream coma. So the last thing she ever imagined after the hellish few weeks she had was to have butterflies flopping around in her stomach. She hadn't felt this giddiness, not even around her ex.

Spencer's bff Ryan has a big blow out with her boyfriend and that night comes home without a man. They both decide Vegas is the place to be.

To Spencer's surprise and delight "he" is at the airport and happens to be going to the same destination. What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas, right? Well not in her case. While at a club Spencer and her mystery man share a dance that steams up windows and mirrors around them and by the end of the song Spencer has turned into putty at his feet. Before she can get her bearings he's gone. The next night to no avail she strikes out when she's in search of "him". But luck was on her side. When she gets back to their hotel she takes her last few dollars and wins big. Ryan talks her into taking that money and doubling it so Spencer can get that bag she really wanted. And guess who is sitting there looking all handsome and gorgeous? Yep, the man from her dreams.

Its just her and the mystery man playing cards and even though she's lost her all her winnings she did get one thing outta it, his name.

Back home Spencer and Brandon no longer pretend to be strangers. They work out together and Brandon finally asks her out. Their relationship starts off slow and it was really refreshing to see that in a book. Now a days they jump into bed and then the "I love you" follows shortly after. Not with this book. It was slow in the making. Brandon was a true gentleman and took his time to learn Spencer's body. Even before they were naked he had her squirming and panting for him.

Lots of drama ensue when Brandon's ex comes into the picture and it's a doozy! Can they make it through this huge hurdle or will it be short lived?

I cant wait to find out how everyone's doing in the next book. Wanted cant come out fast enough.

See all my reviews at [www.upallnightreviews.blogspot.com](http://www.upallnightreviews.blogspot.com)

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### **The Reads says**

This is a book that I just couldn't connect with. I tried hard to get into it but no it wasn't for me.

First of all I think my biggest problemm was the names of the characters. I know it was different spin on it but it just made me feel unconnected and I had to reread their descriptions again to make sure i understood which one was the male and which the female.

I felt the blurb was a bit ambigous. The reader is made to believe Vegas is where everything happens but she had already met the "hero" before that. That kind of annoyed me.

Another Insta-love plot which I just hate, just seems unrealistic for me.

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### **SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says**

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#### **BLURB:**

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### **Beate says**

*The B&S series* seems like a fitting name for the books. They really are a load of BS. Or at least the first book is.

I don't think I've ever read a book more impersonal than this one. I learned everything about what people were doing or saying. I know what they were wearing, and I know that money was important to the heroine. I did however never find out what she was really thinking or feeling, even though the story was written in 1st person from her POV. I just know she cared about everyone around her being "well off".

There was no real flow to the language in this book. It was choppy and weird, and could have been written as a list, complete with bullet points; *"And then we..." "Then we..." "And then we..."* Seriously.

Doesn't help that the author of this one is shy about using her commas. 90% of the time it's long ass sentences that make no sense until you re-read them a few times, and mentally add the missing commas.

Our heroine, Spencer, who I thought was a guy at first, is very shallow. All it takes is a word like "babe" to get her going. Suddenly she's turned on, wowed by the guy, and quickly falling in love. Over "babe". She's trying to be tough, like nothing can touch her, and über-supportive. Instead she comes across as being without too many emotions. Those pesky little feelings just get in the way. And, this is partly why this story is impersonal.

Brandon had a potential to be a really cool character, but since it's written from Spencer's POV, we never really get to know him. And I really didn't care for him throwing around "babe" like it was the word of the week.

As if this isn't enough, the book ends abruptly. In the middle of a scene. You know if you record an episode of a show you're watching, only to have the recording end 2 seconds before the episode ends, *that's* how this ending feels. Like I didn't get the last few seconds of an episode, and now I'm left hanging. Apparently you're supposed to wait around for book two to find out. But you know what? Fuck that! Ain't happening! I'm not subjecting myself to this kind of writing ever again.

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### **Audrey Harte says**

This book is smokin' and a definite must read for any lover of romance or erotic fiction. Most women can relate to Spencer, the heroine, and would love to have a friend like her sidekick and partner in crime, Ryan. And who wouldn't die to have a guy like Brandon in their gym and then get to dance like that with him in Vegas? Woo, turn on your fans, ladies! Cuz if you thought the teaser was hot, you ain't seen nothin' yet!

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## **Annie says**

2.5 stars

The novel is centred around Spencer, the poor girl who has just caught her boyfriend of 2 years cheating. She joins her local gym and sees Brandon, the hottie. They don't speak but meet in Vegas where they have a hot dance and he leaves but then they meet again etc.

I was so disappointed as this book came recommended to me. For me, there was no depth of character. Both Spencer and Brandon didn't seem to have much personality and their romance (once they got round to speaking) progressed exceptionally rapidly. For me, I enjoy a romance that unfolds, sexual tension builds, some kind of misunderstanding or exciting moment and then the HEA. This novel missed a lot of these key features for me. I have had several friends who have read and enjoyed but it wasn't to my taste. Saying that, I have been convinced to read the next in the series so I can see if the characters develop. I'm willing to give benefit of the doubt and assume that there will be more personality in the next book.

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