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Crushes collide at a magical underwater dance.

As best friend and emissary to her mer kingdom's princess, Periwinkle Wentletrap juggles many responsibilities. At the moment those include getting the princess (and herself) ready for the upcoming Sea Harvest Dance.

When a trip to the Thalassinian marketplace for pearls and dress-making supplies leads to a reunion with her long-time crush, Peri is once again caught up in the swirl of emotions she feels for a thoughtful pearl trader who reminds her of a dashing pirate.

But things are never simple with Riatus Ballenato. The shadows of his past have come back to haunt him and he will do anything to keep those he cares about from getting caught in the darkness. Even if that means pushing away the girl he's falling for.

With the dance fast approaching, it might take a little outside help to bring Peri and her crush together at last.

Pretty in Pearls is a standalone novella in Tera Lynn Childs's popular Forgive My Fins series. If you like mermaids, romance, and boys who make you swoon, you'll love the world of Thalassinia and the merfolk (and occasional human) who live, laugh, and love in this underwater realm.

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Pretty in Pearls Details

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5 out of 5 stars

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Fallon says

I loved this book so much. I am hoping Tera Lynn Childs puts this short into print. It was actually pretty long for a short story. The feature of this short story is princess Lily's best friend Peri. Peri has always been the loyal hard working best friend who watched Lily find her perfect match. Now is Peri's turn to find who she wants to be with. This was cheeky and adorable. Reading Tera Lynn Childs Fins series always puts me in a good mood. I am giving this book 5 out of 5 stars.

Teresa says

It was cute and I liked learning more about Peri but at the same time I would've liked some Lily/Quince interaction.

Mundie Moms & Mundie Kids says

Normally I'm not a huge e-novella fan, but there are times I can't help it, and I want to dive back into a series I enjoyed. While I loved the books more than the e-novella, this was still a good read. I liked reading more about the characters from the Fin series, though I missed Quince. What? I can't help it, I loved him in the series. Luckily his girl, Princess Lily, her best friend Peri, who's point of view this book is told in, and a few others are in the book. If you loved the series, you'd enjoy this short story.

Jhenna says

I really enjoyed reading it!

However, I felt that this didn't have very much depth. But I love this author's Fins series, and I liked that it gave Lily's friend a book of her own, so we can see what her life is like. I love the setting of Thalassinia, it's my favorite setting EVER!!!

Mary H says

Full review posted [here](#).

Almost exactly one year ago, Tera posted a bonus Forgive My Fins story on her blog. It was a tiny story, less than 1000 words, that had been written for a mermaid magazine. The magazine ended up not materializing so Tera posted it to her blog instead. This story told of the meeting of Peri, Lily's best friend, meeting a charming Captain Jack-esque merboy at the pearl stall of the Thalassinian market. Tera asked readers if they liked the story and wanted to see more of Peri and Riatus. I remember responding with a resounding YES. Peri was always one of my favorites in the FMF series, and I loved the slightly roguish Riatus. When I met Tera and her editor Sarah at TLA a couple months later, I admit I all but begged them to write the entire story. Now, nine months later, I finally have my wish: a full "Pretty in Pearls" novella!

There are just a couple slight differences between the original story posted and the newly published "Pretty in Pearls," namely that Peri and Riatus knew each other as kids, whereas before, they were newly met strangers. I think I prefer the original version because it makes for more drama, but I'm okay with the update because it makes more sense that they'd be comfortable...ish with each other more quickly. One reason I really enjoy this novella is because Peri is a wonderful main character. Lily is passionate and a bit impulsive, while Peri is more reserved and thoughtful. That doesn't mean she's a pushover, though! Peri may be quiet, but she's no doormat. She doesn't allow people to push her around.

Riatus is really interesting. I love his physical appearance, the way he is a little pirate-y. He's kind and clearly a loving big brother while simultaneously just mysterious and a little bit dangerous enough to make things interesting. That being said, Riatus is still a teenage boy (of the mer variety, yes, but still), and he makes some seriously stupid mistakes. I was so disappointed that he pulled the old give-you-distance-to-protect-you routine. That's honestly a terrible and far too common device, and thus, it has become a tired cliché. I much prefer the actual saving from an immediate threat. There's one scene where Peri has a really bad panic attack at a very dangerous and terrible time to do so. Riatus's response to her is so gentle, so unbearably kind. I definitely squeed a bit.

The actual plot of the story is straightforward, very simple. Riatus promises to message Peri about the Sea Harvest Dance, then doesn't. She spends the rest of the novella alternately attempting to figure out why or trying to slech the attraction she feels toward him. It's very cute and definitely matches the tone of the rest of the series, which is equally adorable and fun. I hope that if Tera decides to write any more stories set in the Forgive My Fins world, Peri and Riatus will be major characters because I'd love to see more of them.

Emma says

I have always enjoyed this series so i was excited to hear about this novella. In the pov of Lily's bestfriend Peri. This gave fans more of an insight about live in a merkingdom like Thalissinia. Pretty in Pearls was a quick and enjoyable read. I really hope there will be at least one more installment in this series.

Fiction State Of Mind says

I had heard a lot of positive buzz about the Forgive My Fins series so I got this novella to take a dip into

Tera's world. This story focuses around Peri the young assistant to Queen Lily.

Peri loves the market in her city, especially the pearl booth. One day Peri discovers that the son of the pearl shop's owner has returned after a years absence and so has her enormous crush on him! I was able to follow along with the characters and situations in this story very well despite not reading any other books in the series. Lots of cute romance and a nice ending,

Melonie says

Loved the series and really enjoyed more on the characters.

Cute story and longer than most novellas.

Definately recommend if you liked the series.

Celina Jaime Trejo says

Loved reading more on Peri!

Brandee Terry says

I love this series so it was fun to read another story from it.

Katherine Goodwin says

There were a few things that didn't match up in this story such as the terrible trio, my understanding is they were pretty much friends at the end of book 3. Other than that this was a cute little story.

Harley says

This was a cute story about Lily's best mer-friend Peri. I might have enjoyed it more had I read it around the time I read the series, it took me a little bit to remember certain things and get back into the story but by the end I was enjoying it.

Also I wish the breaks in the chapters were more clearer, I'd be reading about her doing one thing and then suddenly she'd be off somewhere else and I'd realize that we were switching to a different scene.

Nasty Lady MJ says

Really 1.5 stars. I just really want to rate something above a star this year. This one is so bad it's hilarious in

a weird way. I mean, a pizza parlor underwater, I don't want to think about the food poisoning. I'll be doing a review of this and Childs other novella together. I'll link it when I'm done since I don't like my reviews being treated like poor Boxer and Clover.

To see full review click on one of the links:

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Stefanie says

I love anything Tera Lynn Childs writes and this is no exception. I absolutely adored the Fins series (with Forgive My Fins being one of my all time favourite books) so I knew this one would be perfect. I loved that this one focused on Peri and you get another side of Lily, more in her role as a princess. Perfect addiction to the Fins series. All I'd want now is another one!
