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What will happen when all Addy's secrets are revealed?

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Lu Bielefeld *read.laugh.love* says

I didn't know the author's work and I was positively surprised.

Hero was celibate for the three years of separation earned a star and was a positive point in history. Our heroine is very annoying.

But overall it was a good story and I will follow the author's work.

Tahsin says

THIS WAS. SO. GOOD!!!! Completely taken aback by how much I enjoyed the story, and how completely invested I was. I know this is set in a fictitious world, and the one I live in is so very different from Addy's - but I related to her so much. (Man, this millennial existential crisis-inducing stories are really getting to me nowadays.)

If this is only a debut novel, I can't wait to read the rest of her stories. I feel like she's going to be one to look out for in the future.

Paige says

5 "Wild" Stars

I just couldn't get enough of this book! What a debut. Different and emotional and so fun.

Good Lies is the first book in a new series of standalones and I am hooked. Addison is the daughter of a world famous rock star with a ton of baggage. She's also got a few lies she's desperately trying to hide and after 4 years, those lies are finally starting to catch up with her. In a surprisingly emotional story, this laugher infused romance was everything I could have wanted and more.

Addison has spent her whole life keeping secrets. The life she's lived has sort of made her a believer in the little white lie because life has not always been kind to her. But after 4 years of running from her past, it has finally caught up with her on her father's farewell concert tour. After she unintentionally started a feud between the up and coming band, Wild Minds and her father's world famous band, Wanks and Janks, she's kept her (non) relationship with Wild Minds' front man Warren a secret since her father caught them during an after concert party when she was still a teenager. But Addison was never one to let people tell her what to do. And a year later she instead of going to college she follows Warren and his band around Europe. But something went terribly wrong while she was there and now she's holding a secret that she's desperate to undo: her marriage. Four years later it's finally time to face the music as it were and she's determined to finally right her wrongs if only Warren would let her.

I just loved pretty much everything about this story. It was funny, but with an emotional background that kept my heart racing. Addison was a multi-dimensional heroine that was not perfect and yet that just made her even more interesting. Her life was as unique as her circumstances and the witty writing took this story to

a new level. There was just enough angst to keep me flipping the pages, enough family drama to keep me on my toes and enough romance to keep me fully satisfied. Plus the build up of the side characters's stories has me giddy for more.

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Snow says

First time reading this author...

and as I understand it was her debut novel...

so, I'll be short with my review - for a debut novel, the author has done a good job at pulling the "**second-chances NA romance drama**" with a **filler of angsty sequences** while we all discover the "truths" behind the "good lies" the heroine tosses out of her based on her inner insecurities, fears of being unloved and "not good enough", that all started with "not talking shit through" and "not listening", so basically if you are prepared to endure several hasty, immature decisions thrived on stupidity, recklessness...then, sure give a go...

if you are very wary of that kind of conduct, I believe a hard case of "roll eyes" will be your permanent expression, well at least during the reading process LOL

there were all this little things that make the plot substantial and are crucial for me to develop a hard bond with the story and the characters, here - several point were a bit stretched and I was reluctant to take them under serious consideration (view spoiler)

☆? Angie ?☆ says

This was a great Rockstar/secret marriage/angsty read.
I really enjoyed reading this one.
I started it in the evening and couldn't put it down!
I read well into the night/early morning...

Which made me wake up like this...

Saying things like this to my hubs...

But, who needs sleep when there are books to read anyway??

My only issue with this story was Addy. I couldn't really get where she was coming from with all her secrets and lies. Yes, yes, I know the book is LITERALLY called *Good Lies*, but the lies were not even good. They were immature and cowardly. I wasn't impressed with her character. But, I loved the rest of the story and cast of characters. And, the book made me *feel*. I wasn't just being told, I was actually feeling... and when a book can do that for me and my cold, black heart, well...

Melanie (mells_view) says

Addy and War sitting in a tree....

This story was incredibly good. It was fun, interesting, and had the perfect amount of angst. There's a forbidden, and secret relationship. Rocker dad, and a rocker lover. Told in the heroines POV. Which does make it a bit hard to connect to the hero of the story. None the less it's still a good read. Rocker romance isn't really my favorite because it can all start to feel the same, but this story felt fresh in many ways. Really enjoyable and I'm actually invested in many of the secondary characters, so I'll most likely continue the series.

Julia says

Hmmm this one is a tricky one to review. This book could've have been great for had it not been the heroine and her decision making processes. The h was very selfish and cowardly. Also the fact that the following books in this series all have manwhore heros who lead the heroines on with "open relationships." Not digging that at all. But otherwise, this was a solid book. Just the right amount of angst for a Friday afternoon.

Shari Kay says

Not a series I'm interested in
<https://www.goodreads.com/review/show...>

Sonya ?Chatterbooks book blog? says

Well I'll be damned! This story sucked me in and refused to let me go until I read the very last sentence! I can't tell you how glad I am that I took a chance on this story because it really was that good. Addison and Warren's story is going to make you not only fall in love with them, but also every side character.

Having witnessed her own mother's tragedy at the age of three, Addison has seen her fair share of heartbreak to rival any grown-up. Now in the care of her Rock Star father, Addison now has something she's always wanted which is having someone who loves her. But having a famous father is not easy and when you're LITERALLY a part of the life on tour, it's going to get very crowded.

Meeting the lead singer of "Wild Minds" shouldn't be a big deal for someone like Addison and it's not. Her father is a rock legend and coming face to face with a guy that's a Tour opener doesn't mean anything to her. But connection does, and Warren and Addison have it in spades. With an attraction like theirs, something is about to happen. But at what cost?

It's been four years since Warren shook Addison's world upside down. But if it's one thing that he's aware of, is that his love for her has never wavered and it never will. It's been a tumultuous four years and the biggest change of all is that his band is now one of the biggest groups of all time and fame and fortune has come in ten fold. But Warren would give it all up for a woman that's haunted him for the past four years. A woman who refuses to be within walking distance of him. That woman is none other than his wife. Yea....things just got complicated.

I don't want to give away this story too much but I will say that I enjoyed it ALOT! From reading about the tour experience with both bands, to Addison's relationship with her dad and the other band mates, everything was executed perfectly. I LOVED Warren and I admired the fact that he wasn't afraid to let anyone know how he felt about Addison. He was demanding and bossy but he loved her with everything he had and I felt it.

My only issue was that I would've loved to have his POV in this story because it would've been better to hear his voice in certain scenes. I also had a slight problem with Addison during the middle of the story but luckily everything worked itself out. Now can we talk about the side characters?! I'm itching to get my hands on their stories!! I see so much potential in this series and I can't wait to see how everything is going to unfold.

If you're looking for a funny, sexy read that's slightly emotional, then this one is for you.

Bookgasms Book Blog says

This is not your average rock star love story, and I mean that in the *very* best way. I was completely charmed by this story and impressed with how it was written in a way that made these "larger than life" characters

relatable and endearing. *Good Lies* was by turns laugh-out-loud funny, heavy with emotion, and sinfully sexy - and it flowed seamlessly and naturally throughout the entire story. It held me completely captive - not wanting to put it down until the delightful, heart melting conclusion.

It probably goes without saying that I adored Warren and Addy. They're both deeply flawed and sometimes frustrating, but in ways that tugged at my heartstrings and inevitably left me wanting to shake some sense into them and then hug them tightly. Interestingly, they weren't the only characters who pulled that emotion from me and - in fact - this book is positively riddled with secondary characters who felt like primary characters because my heart attached itself to them all so easily. This is the first book in a new series - and thank God for that, because my greedy heart is basically demanding a story for everyone now. Literally - every single person in this book. I want so much more.

Let's circle back to that "first book in the series" note. First books tend to be my least favorite in any given series because so much exposition goes into them. I never felt that here. I never felt like it dragged or got boring. This is more than a solid start - it's an *excellent* start and, well - I already talked about the demands my greedy heart is making.

Don't hesitate to pick this one up! It's more than a love story -there are a few different layers of here and all of them are written with the same warm, humorous and heartfelt touch. The butterflies are delivered in spades and the epic smile on my face as I wrap up this review should serve as all the testimony you need for how this book left me feeling. So good! Don't pass it by! ~ Shelly, 4.5 Stars

When I read the blurb for *Good Lies*, my grabby hands couldn't get a hold of this book fast enough. It was the perfect book to jump into as it kept me hooked from the get go. Addy and Warren had a tumultuous relationship from the start but Good Lord what a ride!! This was absolutely fantastic and I could not get enough!!

What happens when the daughter of Rock Star royalty, Addison Wanks meet's Rock and Roll's newest Bad Boy and up and coming next big thing? Fireworks folks! I absolutely loved this novel! I loved the family dynamics, the amazing side characters, the fabulous humor and the steamy sexy-times! Warren and Addison were perfect together. They fought hard and they loved even harder. While they both had flaws they needed to work through it was amazing to see (through flashbacks) the evolution of their relationship.

I am absolutely impressed and dazzled by Ms. west's debut novel. I am officially hooked and need more from her. She will now forever be on my radar as someone to watch as I am officially hooked! 4.5 stars!
~Ratula

This was not *just* a love story, although there was plenty of that. This is a story about family, about friends, and how they come together to shape your childhood, your life. It had so many levels, yet never felt overly complicated or droning. It had that feel to it where you are pulled into the world, into the lives of these characters, who as frustrating as they can be come out feeling like family. Gotta love them, flaws and all.

The way the story plays out felt almost like a mystery. Never showing it's full hand, laying one card at a time on the table. This kept me gripping my Kindle and flipping pages, desperate to reach the end, then desolated when the end came. I could read about these characters for books to come, so I hope this is the first of what will be a **long** series.

Despite not usually being a rockstar book fan, this was not reflective of that sub genre as a whole. It was oh so much more. Emotions and truths, just enough angst and oh my all the feels. Absolutely all the stars!
~ George, 5 stars

Kristina says

Warren was great, he was totally devoted. He was the best kind of rocker, wild, hot, fun and FAITHFUL. Addison well, I actually felt (which I very rarely do) that Warren actually deserved better than her. Someone more loyal to him. I found her selfish and all about her and her twat of a father who I can't stand in his own book, he was a total sleazebag there. Here he was funny but also irritating.

Not sure if I'll give Asher's book a shot, I felt sorry for him until it appeared he was screwing around with all those groupies to "forget" his h. Will have to checkout the reviews when it comes out. The honest reviews though, not gushing bullshit ones.

Coco.V says

? FREE on Amazon today (2/26/2018)! ?

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What will happen when all Addy's secrets are revealed?

Kiki says

Hero was an ass, who learned nothing from their time apart. I'm guessing he was concerned more about his hangovers and blue balls. But as I said he learned nothing.

He admitted that when he married heroine he wanted her father's money, and wanted revenge on him. So he DID use her. After that admission, he was head over heels in love with her doesn't ring true. And it didn't. I felt the monumental issue which was the reason for the MCs' break up was dealt very callously and was swept under the rug.

He either used her or he didn't. He couldn't have used her WHILE being in love with her. Then he was mad at heroine for finding it out? On top of being an arrogant and user of an asshole, he was also brainless. His proof of not caring about heroine's money as a proof of his love actually proved nothing. Because he had more money now so he no longer needs her money and he can now afford a pricey postnuptial. I don't see how that has to do anything with proving his love. The actual proving would have been to support heroine and give her the space and time which didn't give even for a minute. He was immature, selfish and a user who never grew up. Even his grand gesture in the end was cowardly and immature because he couldn't grow up enough to chase heroine like an adult so they can discuss things like an adult. He hid behind a public display because let's admit it, how many of you would tell your husband to go suck balls when they're declaring their love to you in a special concert. I would. But I am also called a frigid feminist bitch.

He abandoned her the moment there was actual real difficulty in the marriage and he blamed her of running? He and his friends never for a minute though heroine leaving them might be their fault. They were too happy blaming her and labelling her as a gold digger. One of them were her best friend and one claimed to love her. I can do without both if that's what love and friendship look like.

The best friend actually had a laughable idea of apology. He was like "I said sorry, how the fuck long would you take to decide you'll accept my apology bitch?" Trust me, that's the vibe I got.

Heroine btw wasn't much better when it came to using her best friend as a shield. But she had a shit father, a selfish stepmother who camouflaged herself as h's well wisher and a user husband. So I'll let that slide.

Heroine's father was a piece of work. He never gave heroine a home life. Paraded different women in front of her, didn't give up anything including smoking for her and wanted to be her best friend rather than her dad. Then he was judgemental with double standards, huge amount of slut shaming, "you'll do things because I'm your father and I said so", a resentment towards the friends who was like a foster family to heroine because HE shipped her off, and hated the fact heroine didn't see him as a father.

He doted on his wife. He straightaway gave up his career and retired the moment she was pregnant and gave up smoking because it was bad for the baby. These were things he didn't do for heroine and the stepmother knew about them because she was her nanny, but never thought she should call him out on it or make him apologise or not rub it in her face. No. She faked difficult pregnancy, because she didn't like the situation that heroine and her father didn't get along and heroine wanted to be left alone. Well, tough, bitch. It's not your problem and world doesn't revolve around you. You have NO right to guilt trip heroine for acting a little bratty towards a father who deserves nothing from her.

This father who only wanted to be there for fancy stuff like giving her away when she get married, not to hold her and tell her she's the most important person in his life.

The father then asks heroine to move in with them because he wants to be a better father to his son and needs her help for it. I mean, I can't even....fucking hell!

Sharon ☺ is an emotional book junkie ☺ says

4 ★'s

This is my first encounter with a Charlotte West book and since I was in the mood for a rock star romance, I decided to give it a try. I'm happy to report that I really liked the spin she put on the story.

Addison (Addy) is the child Billy Wanks never knew he had. Orphaned at a young age after a traumatic experience, Addison is thrust into the rock star lifestyle. Billy knew at first glance that she was his child but in case there was any question, he knew for sure after her many visits to the principal's office.

Enter nannies and tutors and a life on the road and Addy does quite well. Until she breaks the golden rule and gets caught making out with another upcoming rock star and then all hell breaks loose.

Both Warren and Addy can't stay away from each other and when Addy's supposed to be off to college, she's really off to Europe with Warren's band, Wild Minds, and her best friend, Lily. Unfortunately, things don't turn out the way Addy had hoped and her and Lily return home without a word.

Now, it's four years later and her father's band is doing a farewell tour and he's expecting Addy to be there every step of the way. The problem? She hasn't seen or spoken to Warren in all that time.

I liked the dilemmas Addy faced and the multifaceted dramas she had to handle even if a few were of her own doing. I also enjoyed seeing a wiser Billy and that he's not as unaware as he seems. Daisy was also a nice addition and I was happy about where that relationship is going.

I did think the huge drama was a little unrealistic especially for people who have had to deal with the public so much. But...it made the "grand gesture" really sweet and romantic.

Hard Lessons is book #2 and it's about Billy and Daisy and supposedly coming out sometime this summer. I'm hoping we get some angsty moments out of those two. Next up is Ash and Lily's book, *Bad Reasons*, coming out sometime in the fall and I can hardly wait for that one!

Alex ? says

3.5 - 3.75 stars

The best of the best about this book:

The hero stayed celibate during 3-year separation.

The hero was a rock star. A rock star who took wedding vows serious.

Wow! Yep, I couldn't believe it either.

Amazing!!!

Safe rock star romance! Loved it about this book!!!

The story was a bit messy. Many unnecessary misunderstandings, the main question why the hero said those awful things many years ago that made her leave him?

I didn't get all my answers.

But behind his as'holish façade was a good man who loved and respected his woman.

He said "sh*t" sometimes, but he did great.

MC were young - he 24, she 21 – so, I blame their immature behavior on their age ;-)
