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Three's a crowd...

Elizabeth Wakefield is ecstatic. Her dearest childhood friend, Amy Sutton, is moving back to Sweet Valley. Elizabeth can't wait to see her again and introduce Amy to her current best friend, Enid Rollins.

Amy is an undeniable hit at Sweet Valley High. She's glamorous and vivacious, and she becomes the newest member of the cheerleading squad. But to Elizabeth's shock, Amy and Enid seem to be heading for a showdown. Will the prospect of having two best friends leave Elizabeth with none?

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Susan Bazzett-Griffith says

Tomboy athlete and Elizabeth's childhood best friend Amy Sutton returns to Sweet Valley all grown up and totally bitchy, but hits it off with Lila and the cheerleaders. Also, Enid is totally not putting up with that bitch. In subplot, Jessica lies and whores it up a little to try to steal a senior's boyfriend just BECAUSE, and Elizabeth is boring. A very high school-y SVH. 2 stars.

anolinde says

The IRONY of Elizabeth steadily realizing Amy is like Jessica, and then dumping her as a friend, BUT STILL EXCUSING EVERYTHING JESSICA DOES.

Girl.

Kristina says

I always wondered how Amy Sutton came into the mix in the later books

Keli Wright says

Lovvvved it

Connie says

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Cost: Free

Title: Bitter Rivals

Series: Sweet Valley High #29

Author: Francine Pascal // Kate William

Overall Rating: 3 stars

Amy Sutton is back! I think I briefly remember her from the Sweet Valley Twins books or SVJH but the new Amy is mean, self centred, loves blusher and is essentially more Jess than Liz. But Liz is loving life now that her childhood best friend has come back, and Enid, well, she's less loving life because she sees Amy as competition for Liz's love. (Which is really dumb but anyway.)

They don't like each other, Liz is sad. Liz tries her best to be the middle ground. It all works out in the end,

because this is Sweet Valley, nothing ever goes wrong for long.

Brooke says

I'll miss this book least of all because the plot was hard to follow. I don't know why Amy was really late, but I believe it was to hang out the other cheerleaders or Christopher. What I do know is that Amy was rude to Elizabeth by how she talked to Elizabeth, by how she kept interrupting Elizabeth, and by how she didn't ask Elizabeth if she wanted to go to Lila's party. (If she did stand up Elizabeth, that was rude too.) I guess the lesson is it's okay to forget, to change interests, and to feel jealous, but threatening people and being rude are crossing the line. Another problem I had were the outfits. I wish Francine had added more color to the outfits.

Heidi says

Can you even believe there's someone more annoying than Enid?

Sarah Crawford says

Amy Sutton had been Elizabeth's best friend for a long time until she moved away. Enid then became Elizabeth's best friend. Now, though, Amy is due to return to live in Sweet Valley again and Elizabeth is really looking forward to that. Enid, though, has some concerns over whether or not her relationship with Elizabeth will stay the same.

Amy returns but she has changed a lot. Her appearance is different and she has become boy-crazy. For a while Elizabeth tries to restore their original relationship but she neglects Enid. The situation gets a lot worse and it looks very much like Elizabeth may lose both of her friends.

The question becomes whether or not Elizabeth can keep either friend and how she can do that. Or does she even want to keep both? Another good story in the series.

Hillary says

Let me make sure I have this right: Amy is just like Jessica. Jessica is well meaning and forgivable. Amy is the spawn of Satan's mean-ass monkey seed. We all apply generous amounts of 'blusher.'

hannaH says

I never really cared about Amy, and Enid is as boring as white bread, and Elizabeth is a pain, so this one sucks. I think I've only read it once.

Sarah Baines says

Feeling my age!!!!

I first read this book many moons ago when I was at school and adored it - read it today and boy, was it hard going. It's only reading this now that I realise what a vacuous, annoying bunch they really are/were. The teenage me would easily have given it 5*, the older and dare i say it - wiser me, can barely bring myself to give it 2*.

Alexis Kasznia says

Amy Sutton VS Enid Rollins and Liz is caught in the middle!

PurplyCookie says

It was interesting to see Liz and Enid reacting to a changed Amy. At least Liz found out that Amy is no longer the same Amy who had been her best friend back in grade school. Too bad that Amy came off as more vicious than Jessica is much later in the series.

I liked the way the book conveyed Enid's jealousy of Amy but, also at the same time, she was portrayed as being insecure and threatened by the return of Liz's "best friend". But sometimes I do feel that Liz deserves a more multifaceted person to deem her best friend since Enid has got to be one of the most boring characters ever written.

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Author: Francine Pascal

Reviewed By: Purplycookie

Ryan Quan says

This is the one where Elizabeth realizes her old friend Amy Sutton is a total bitch now. Sad but realistic ;)

Reading with Cats says

I had taken a few years' break from these but I recently discovered the truly awesome Double Love podcast PLUS these were on KU so I dived back in. I am so glad I did. Nothing has changed in Sweet Valley since I last visited. Jess is still psychotic, Liz is still the most doormat-y doormat ever and Enid is still boring AF. And I loved every minute of it!
