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Chippy Marco says

I've been very lazy when it comes to reviewing lately, meaning that I can't be bothered, but this book WILL be getting a review because it was *#)##@#@!!!! I don't know what to say. I'm speechless. I will need to put my head back together again after Nico (especially Nico!) and Kady, not to forget the other characters (Josh, what is up with you?), pulled it apart before I can write anything.

peachygirl says

Got an ARC from netgalley in return for an honest review. And here's my honesty. What in hell did I just read? I can't even wrap my head around all the shit happening in the book. There's a psychotic hero, hero's *now* parents, unusual I-don't-know-what-else-to-call heroine, overbearing and very unlikeable friends, lots of cheating, non-consensual sex and a vengeful, crazy ex-hook up. And to add to the fun, a stripper joint. No one, I hope, NO ONE has to go through this!

SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says

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Blurb:

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Natasha says

Although I loved it, I don't think this book is for everyone, especially since it doesn't brush over the ugly side of the two main characters' relationship. It dumps you right into it. The main male also has mental health

problems. He is paranoid and has psychosis. He is also very reactive, often saying nasty things in retaliation. I understood why he was like he was, so it didn't take away from the story for me, if anything, it made it more intense and nail biting, because I never knew what he was going to do. I liked Kady, the main character, though sometimes she did things that weren't right too. They were toxic together sometimes and toxic apart, but the moments they weren't, they were wonderful. And what happened at the nightclub. I DID NOT see THAT coming. I also didn't see the outcome coming. I was shocked.

I would only recommend this book to people who like reading about toxic relationships, and not the pretend type where the guy is really a hero disguised in a bad boy veneer. Nico is 100% an antihero. He is not a nice guy and freely admits it, though I do see him getting better, because he does love Kady and he has some lovely redeeming qualities. I did a happy little shake when they had that chat on the way to his mom's 50th. I understood why Kady loved him in those moments.

Marita Hansen says

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Main Female Lead and point of view:

KADY JANEWAY

Nickname: Captain due to her last name.

Fine Arts Student at an Auckland University. She also has a part-time fast food job.

Height: 5-foot-10.

Build: Curvy, describes her figure as more like Marilyn Monroe or Sophia Loren than Kate Moss.

Hair: Long, straight brown hair.

Eye Colour: Amber, described by the male lead as the colour of whiskey.

Tattoo: Cursive writing below her left collarbone that says: *Beneath this tattoo lies a story.*

Nationality: A New Zealander that is a quarter Maori, a quarter Italian, part French, Welsh, Danish, and English.

Hometown: Kaikohe, but now lives in Auckland, New Zealand.

Hates: Alcohol strongly due to her mother.

Loves: Italian food, and art.

Status: Single.

Age: 18 at the beginning of the book, turns 19 partway through.

Best friend: Julia Jachmann.

Main Male Lead:

NICO BILAN.

Fine Arts Student at the same university as the female lead. He is also a part-time stripper in a Male Revue show.

Height: 6-foot-1.

Build: A slim, muscular, athletic build. The female lead describes him as sensual.

Hair: A mass of soft curls, rich brown with sunkissed highlights weaved through.

Eye colour: Has heterochromia—an eye condition that literally meant different colours. One eye is green with brown hints around the pupil, while the other eye is blue with the same brown hints around his pupil.

Tattoos: A line tattoo circling the middle of his right forearm. There is writing above it that says: INSANITY IS A MATTER OF PERCEPTION. He also had another tattooed line circling his left wrist, this one thicker, with words both above and under it.

Nationality: Born in Romania, but brought up as a New Zealander.

Hometown: Lived in Romania for the first four years of his life, then Howick, Auckland, New Zealand. Now lives in Auckland Central like the female lead.

Hates: People saying he is paranoid (he has psychosis). Hates Tate, his once good friend. Also, hates being criticised and will lash out verbally due to it. Can get quite nasty when he is hurt. Hates people telling him what to do.

Loves: Art, dancing, running, and ramen.

Status: Single.

Age: 18 at the beginning of the book, but turns 19 partway through.

Best friends: Has two. Alek Bilan (his cousin) and Annabelle Aston (previously a cousin, but only by marriage).

Phoenix says

I love a book that stays with me the next day or weeks after reading leaving a mark on my soul making me think and dream and worry about the couple. This is that book. I only got 4 hours of sleep because I could not stop reading this book. This author took on some serious issues like abuse, rape, depression, anxiety, psychosis. Here it is the next day, and all I can do is think about all these amazingly, crazy characters.

Normal will be a word said often in the book but is never found. I, too, searched for the elusive normal life but found instead a myriad of experiences making me just right just like the main couple. I can't explain how much I love this novel but beware it has triggers but the author masterfully maneuvers through all the tough issues leaving the reader feeling raw but somehow changed in a better way looking at the world anew.

Vanessa says

****FULL REVIEW****

So, in all honesty, I was wary of reading this book, the reviews are less than stellar...so I was preparing for the worst. I was preparing for serious issues to be glossed over, for the author's accent to take away from the story, for the magic "fix all" of true love...

Yeah, nope.

Instead, I got a coming of age story riddled with a mixed perception of what "crazy" should look like. I got a friendship stemmed from common ground, and boys...but mostly, I loved the author's voice in this story. Something about reading a book that isn't in my native tongue is fascinating and kept me engrossed from start to finish.

But, I will say this...

If you have any triggers, don't pick up this book. The hero is severely inept mentally, childish, and essentially like a toddler in a hot college student's body. He's not the typical "redeemable" anti-hero and the way he talks and acts will give a weaker stomach more turmoil than it's worth. The heroine is strong in my opinion...but extremely naive. Her own triggers are eye-roll worthy and while I don't discount any person's feelings, hers felt disingenuine more often than not.

With all that said, I did enjoy this story more than I expected to. The ending felt rushed, but the meat of the story, it covered all of the detailed bases without reaching too far into the sub-characters plotlines, as well as the settings and dialog. Great bones to a richly darkened NA romance. I look forward to reading more from this author.

****3.5 Love Wins, Stars****

Melissa says

I want to be very clear on this before I write this review. I read the first 5% and looked up the author. The first post I read off of FB was her being uncertain about if she was going to continue writing because of the response from this book. This broke my heart. If this author is reading this, please continue to write. If what you write is what you love, then who gives a crap if anyone else likes it?

With that said, I'm going to be honest in my review. I had a very (oh forgive the irony) love/hate relationship with this book. This book gave me the same vibes as After by Anna Todd. I think this author has a lot of potential. If I were to say anything to her, I would say keep writing. Write. Write. Write.

The things I didn't like about this book are things that are minor. These are things that are just lessons learned. This author has good writing bones- and that you can't fake.

As another disclaimer, I think this author is from a different country from me. (I'm in the US.) While dialect does not bother me, I can only imagine how other people took it. So if that bothers you- steer clear. BUT DON'T GIVE IT A BAD REVIEW BECAUSE OF YOUR PREFERENCE.

Ok. So here's a run down of what I didn't like.

Psychosis. Why is everyone using this word? I deal with mental health AND 9/10 people do not know what psychosis is. Again this may be a different country kind of thing- but very few people talk in actual medical terms. It bothered me how mental health was handled and how negative it was painted.

Main character whose name I cannot recall- why does everyone she encounter fall so in love with her? She's so hot! WTF? No. Not real life.

So I'm all about plot moving along but when its one thing after another.. I feel like Chicken Little. There were times when I read this book and I thought that this could have gone a similar road as After and there could have been multiple story arcs.

This author was sweet enough to have a message at the end of the story asking her readers to reach out to tell her what else they wanted to read. If they wanted more of this story or others which is super awesome. An author that engages their audience will always be successful.

While this story wasn't necessarily for me, I finished it. Would I read something else by this writer? Sure because like I said- I think there's a lot of potential here. So Ms. Marita- keep writing. :)

Anna says

This was an intence exiting read sad and at times happy i also enjoyed the Dante cameos

Dri ✰ says

Love or Hate?

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What a crazy ride!

I don't know how to rate this book. Also don't know if I loved or hated it... I cannot think straight right now about all the emotions this story made me feel. I'll need more time to think and come to a conclusion. So... I'll be rating this later.

Despite all this, I have to say, this book was well written and although not everything I felt was good, I couldn't stop reading it. I was completely captivated from the first page until the last!

Definitely a rollercoaster that messed up my thoughts, where I constantly held my breath without knowing what would happen next.

Mari?ina says

Love Hate Love, is one of those books that are meant to push boundaries and make the reader feel provoked and uncomfortable but all in a good way. Or at least that's the author's intentions.

Full review to come.

Lorrie says

Unfortunately, I didn't really like the characters. I found Kady and Nico especially to be very immature, and I thought Annabelle and Julia were obnoxious. I don't know why I couldn't connect to any of them, but I just couldn't. I wanted to like this more than I did, but there was too much drama IMO.

Tracy says

Wow... what a rollercoater of a read. At first I thought it reminded me of beautiful disaster. WOW. i love this author. What an unexpecting awesome book.

Dirty Dayna says

3.5 Psychosis Stars

Love Hate love debuted in November of 2018 while broken English debuted in August of 2016. If you have not been stalking this author.. you are wrong. Fair warning as the author gives it.. it is written for a New Zealander to understand and read.. which is initially hard but then.. it buffs out!

Love hate love is actually how I felt about this book. There are some really great parts but it is dragged on far longer than necessary. I know most of her other books are series and this is left as a standalone so that may be why but the book is almost 500 pages! So anyway.. lets go all the way back.

You see this book.. the cover is like whispering in your ear READ ME READ ME .. but the page length has you scared... pick up Broken English it is $\frac{1}{2}$ the length but you also get to see who some of the SIDE characters are that pop up in Love Hate Love.. it makes readining Love Hate Love that much better because its not just a random name .. you have already conneted with the characters. It will also prepare you for the overall change in language as it is not US English and the characters are very gritty and wild in their talking. The word Bitch is thrown around like candy and that's probably the nicest word that comes out. Unlike Broken English which takes place in a High School this story takes place in a University or UNI as they call it. So if the age played a factor for you for High Schoolers this is much better. I do like how most of Marita's story are spin offs with the Rata Brothers... I actually have no idea what book 1 is in this series. .. they all kinda seem to flow int eh same roiver and I am unsure where the reiver begins. So during this review I needed to do homework for you! Read them in this series order:

Graffiti Heaven Series

Broken Lives Series

And then I would pick up the side novellas for Broken lives short story series

And THEN love hate love..

Now this isn't a requirement but it all makes a bit more sense.

Anyway I digress!

It appears Marita likes a dark story and all her male charactrers have some dangerous parts that honestly every character would have sent me running for the hills!!! This book was filled with repetitive moments and a lot of dead space and then the BIG twist and chaos at the end was wrapped up in 20 minutes... this book for me was almost a hard 4 or 4.5 stars but it was too long and too easily wrapped up. I think some edits would make the story shine

T.M. Bradbury says

One word: PROVOCATIVE. Other words: Raw, emotional, intense, tumultous, and what on earth did I just read?!!! It was unpredicible and so intense that I didn't know what was going to happen next. I couldn't stop reading it. IMO, I think this is this author's best work. I also think you will either love or hate it due to how provocative it is. These characters are far fom perfect, and their mistakes had dire consequences. The title is very fitting: You will either love or hate it. ME: I LOVED it.

