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Lady Grace Endicott never would have dreamed she'd be ruined by a rake. But after an innocent encounter with notorious scoundrel Lord Weston is misconstrued, her beloved sister's introduction to society—and her own reputation—are put at risk. The only way to avoid a scandal is a betrothal.

Brandon Roth—Lord Weston—doesn't quite know what to think of his independent fiancée...or their growing friendship. Yet their engagement ruse is quickly becoming more than a temporary fix. If he can convince Grace that his wicked ways are now far behind him, he'll be able to prove that he wants nothing more than to care for the lovely lady...

## Accidental Fiancee Details

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## From Reader Review *Accidental Fiancee* for online ebook

### Carrie says

*Accidental Fiancee*, by Mary Moore, was released in January 2015 by the Love Inspired Historical line. I've had a few false starts on this book, but I finally finished it a couple of weeks ago. I actually enjoyed the novel. It is the story of Lord Weston, Brandon Roth, a marquis who finds himself proposing to Lady Grace Endicott, who is a complete stranger to himself. The situation is a bit ironic. Grace finds herself in this mess because she was trying to warn Lord Weston from getting trapped into proposing to a marriage minded miss who wasn't above using scandal to force him into making an offer. Instead, Grace finds that she has inadvertently forced Lord Weston to offer for herself in order to protect her sister, Lydia, who has yet to make her come out in the upcoming season. Grace no longer considers herself available on the market, but does not believe that Lydia would be able to weather the scandal and make a suitable match unless she and Lord Weston deal with their problem discretely.

They agree to enter into a fake engagement where Grace would cry off and break the engagement after a few weeks, when the gossip would sufficiently die down, or when Lydia successfully finds a match for herself. Grace does not wish to be truly married to Lord Weston; he has a reputation of being a great rake, and she is mortified at the thought of even being perceived as one who would stoop so low as to trap the marquis into marriage. Grace's conscience is also severely tested during this time; she loathes the fact that she is essentially lying to the ton, and is uncomfortable with the realization that she is developing genuine feelings for Lord Weston as they spend more time with each other.

In *Accidental Fiancee*, Grace is the professing believer, while Lord Weston is the one who is making the journey towards faith. He is helped along in this by his mentor, Lord Langley, who had agreed to support the marquis in his endeavours to make reforms in the House of Lords if Brandon sets aside his rakish ways, which he has. What plagues Brandon is an inability to forget and forgive himself of the mistakes made in his past, which landed him the reputation of being an irresponsible rake. When Grace shows him, well,...grace...and acceptance in spite of his past, Brandon starts to see himself as more than what he has perceived himself to be up to this point. In the beginning, when he first enters into the fake engagement with Grace, Brandon is at first relieved that it is just a temporary measure taken to protect Grace and her sister. However, as he gets to know her and her character, he realizes that he wants to make the engagement real and binding.

Unfortunately, the path to true love does not run smoothly for these two. Besides Brandon's challenge of trying to convince Grace that he truly wants her to be his wife, our twosome must dodge opposition from a jealous widow who plans to become the next Lady Weston, and opponents to Brandon's work of reforms through the House of Lords. Will Brandon be able to win Grace in truth to become his wife? Will he be able to accept God's grace and forgiveness? The key verse that is imprinted at the start of the novel is from Ephesians 2:8 which says, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God...." I've found sometimes that these verses, which are usually found at the start of all Love Inspired novels, to be perplexing as to why they were particularly chosen, but the verse for this novel is more than appropriate for this novel.

As I mentioned before, I liked this novel. I liked the theme of accepting God's grace and forgiveness...something that cannot be earned, but must be received as a gift. It was nice to read a historical with this inspiring message in it.

This review also appears on my blog at:  
<http://whatisreading.blogspot.ca>

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## **Tina says**

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1817, en route to London....after a situation which could bring shame on both Grace and Lydia—what choice does Lady Grace Endicott have but to agree to a betrothal to the rake—Lord Weston, Brandon Roth in order to save her sister Lydia's introduction to society. But at what cost to her own reputation? Can Brandon convince Grace that his wicked ways are far behind him and possibly their betrothal could be real?

I loved the interaction between Grace and Brandon—Grace certainly is not like any other young ladies who swoon at his feet and he finds her intriguing. Being a Christian, Grace does not lie and finds pretending to be betrothed challenging and longs to get out of it as soon as possible. There are lots of surprises in this story with some unexpected twists and turns, some humorous situations, finding love unexpectedly, faith and suspense. I love the inspirational thread of God's grace and forgiveness woven throughout the storyline and hoped Brandon would open his heart to God. The secondary characters are delightful, making this a heartwarming story.

~I won a copy of this book from ACFW party and the author, this is my honest review~

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## **Laura A. Grace says**

I thoroughly enjoyed “Accidental Fiancée”! I was totally unprepared to laugh and giggle my way through the first half of the book. Grace and Brandon were a hoot!

It has been some time since I have read any historical romance novels, but this one certainly made me want to read more of Mary's books! From the beginning I really liked Grace and have to confess that I liked Brandon too. They were so different in the way they thought, but blended well together as their betrothal continued and other events mixed in.

Due to their differences, this story was a fast read for me (if I could have stayed up all night to read it, I would have!). The budding romance as well as the hint of danger had me cheering for Brandon in a way that surprised me. The Gospel message of God's grace felt very real and made me thoughtful as I read. I liked how everything wasn't cleaned up perfectly in the end concerning some character's spiritual walk, but encouraged a new beginning as grace does for us.

This was a very pleasant read and one I highly recommend to historical readers. It is one that will stay with

me for quite some time as well as one I would pick up again for a good, enjoyable romance. Five out of five stars for sure!

\*(I received this novel from the author in exchange for an honest review. All thoughts expressed are my own and I was not required to write a positive review.)\*

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## **ASC Book Reviews says**

Nice read! As soon as I read the book description I couldn't wait to read *Accidental Fiancee*!!! I hadn't gotten the opportunity to read any of Mary Moore's books before this, and I was excited to finally do so. Immediately she drew me in to a story filled with characters I loved quickly! The humor, the intelligence, and the overall situation makes for a highly entertaining read! The pace is set nicely with only a few short lulls and the suspenseful scenes blended in pick it right back up! Mary's style of writing is wonderful, and the twists she adds to the story keep your attention! There were a couple of times when Grace made some frustrating decisions, but that just added to the story. She fastly became a favorite character with her good heart, bravery, strength, and humor! There were times I couldn't put the book down because I, like Brandon, didn't know what she was going to do next! :D All of these characters were wonderful, including Brandon's sisters and Grace's aunt; so much so that I wouldn't have minded more scenes with all of them. Or even more books going back and telling their stories {especially Maggie's ;) }! There were a few things that I wish had been a little different. One mainly being a Salvation scene with Brandon. I do like the part where it explains that he now believes in God and His love and grace; I just really wanted a scene where it happened and he proclaimed Jesus as his Savior! Overall this is a lovely tale with love, Faith, misunderstandings, secrets, dangers, bravery, humor, and more! The more I read from Mary the more I like her, be it the actually book or her letter to the reader!

Songs: "Amazing Grace" by Susan Boyle, and because *Amazing Grace* has a big part in this book I couldn't resist adding a second version (one of my favorites!!!) "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" by Chris Tomlin

Songs etc. May be changed and/or added in the future. ~ASC

Ephesians 2:8, Psalm 37:4, Hebrews 11:6~ASC

\*I requested and received a review copy from Mary. This in no way affected my opinion of *Accidental Fiancee* and the above are my true thoughts and feelings. ~ASC

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## **Hannah says**

3.5 stars

This was a fun and absorbing Regency tale. I especially loved the characters' interactions and the descriptions of the dresses, as well as the whole orphanage angle.

Facts of the time period were well researched, though I did spot some anachronistic phrases—and one in particular, "You look smashing" (1900s New York slang) did make me chuckle aloud.

Recommended for Regency lovers or those who want a pleasant afternoon's diversion...

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### **Jenny Morgan says**

It was such a sweet regency romance! So clean and heartfelt. I loved it and how it made me felt as I read it.

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### **Kathrin Stacked'n'Painted says**

I absolutely loved this story. It's a twofer, in a way, as you get two love stories, but you only follow one closely. That being said, the second love story did not take away anything from the main characters. I have to read more of the author's works!

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### **Laura says**

I liked the idea of the plot and it was well written overall. However, I had major problems with the way the heroine's religion was presented. I have no problem with people having faith, what I do have a problem with is being preached at for the length of a novel and the suggestion that if you don't have God in your life you are somehow unworthy, which I find offensive and condescending. Other than the specific religious elements, the heroine was strange and not in a good way. I like quirky characters but often she came across as odd for the sake of it- having repeated conversations with an inanimate object were meant to make her seem individual (I assume) but made her seem juvenile and rather simple.

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### **Zoe McCarthy says**

Accidental Fiancée by Mary Moore was a fun read. It contained all the elements for romance, conflict, intrigue, and humor.

The social confines of the day put LADY GRACE ENDICOTT into an accidental betrothal when in her zealousness for fair play she makes a mistake. Known rake, LORD WESTON (BRANDON ROTH) doesn't help matters. The characters play well against each other, offering engaging banter.

I enjoyed watching how Grace and Brandon execute their rectifying plans among people who might catch them in a social faux pas at any moment. Sometimes I laughed out loud. And Moore has a clever subplot by introducing Max. You'll have to read the book to fall in love with Max.

Moore writes well. She moves the story along and, to this novice regency reader, puts the reader in the period. Be sure to read her note to the reader.

I recommend Accidental Fiancée to Regency readers as well as to women who enjoy how heroes and heroines find true love in and around the Regency period's social obstacles. The tangle enables great conflict and humor.

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### **M.A. Nichols says**

The first half of the book was fantastic. I adored it. The characters were funny, and the romance was sweet, and it swept me into the story to the point where I didn't want to put it down.

However, I felt like the story slowly took a nosedive. The climax just didn't work for me. It wasn't awful, but it didn't live up to the first half of the book. It went from being a book I couldn't put down to a book I was skimming trying to get through it. I think the biggest issue was the climax felt like a letdown. I just didn't think it was nearly as romantic as other scenes in the book.

It wasn't bad to read one time, but it's not one I would want to check out again.

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### **Kav says**

I'm in a Regency tailspin! Toe-curling satisfaction guaranteed. Lord Weston is the quintessential Regency hero. His rakish past and sarcastic humour can't hide the real gentleman that lies within. I was intrigued after the first meet but when I reached page 139 I became completely smitten. Be. Still. My. Heart.

Grace has no intention of falling in love. She's given up on believing there's a living, breathing knight in shining armor in her future. Oh my goodness, but she is so wrong. But, beware, there is treachery afoot that complicates a smooth path towards a happily ever after and that makes for a thrilling read.

In addition, Moore has included a moving inspirational thread that flows easily throughout the story. Nothing stilted or forced. Just pure truth and the hope of grace. Beautiful tie-in to the heroine's name.

This stunning Regency romance makes for an exhilarating read.

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### **Hanna says**

This was a quick read (finished in two sittings) and it was great ! From chapter one, I loved all the characters in the book and though it was an obvious ending (with some good twists in between) it was a pleasurable light read. I cannot wait to get my hands on some more books written by Mary Moore !

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### **Annie says**

I absolutely loved that Brandon understood what Max meant to Grace.

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### **Sally says**

I loved this Christian historical romance by Mary Moore! I loved the dialogue between Lady Grace Endicott and Lord Weston. She is caught in a compromising situation, but she will do everything she has to in order to ensure nothing hurts her sister Lydia's introduction to society. To protect Grace's reputation, Lord Weston announces she is his betrothed. Sounds simple. Pretend to be betrothed and then break it off. But what happens when one of them is a Christian and isn't comfortable lying?

Can a known rake come to accept God's grace? Can he turn his back on how he's lived his life and be the husband for Grace? He is determined to protect Grace's virtue, but the only way he can do that is to say she is his betrothed. Lord Weston is ready to put the plan into action, but Grace cannot lie about her situation. Grace has to follow along so her actions won't hurt her sister Lydia's chances of finding a suitable husband. Grace's sarcastic responses keep Lord Weston on his toes. She assumes she is too old for love but won't marry for convenience. Can they keep London society from guessing the truth? Or, will they discover they have more in common than they first thought?

God's grace is freely given and covers our sins. Can Grace show Lord Weston that means even him? "We have been given the gift of grace from God." *Accidental Fiancee* is a great book with snappy dialogue, intriguing characters, and a plot that pulls you in. Lady Grace is an independent young woman set on living her life as a Christian. As she and Lord Weston get to know each other, will she find the rake is past all hope, or is there still a chance for him?

Pick up this great book today and get lost in a wonderful love story!

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## **Emily says**

Ok, I'm a sucker for the fake engagement trope. It's one of my favorite plot devices when done well, and I would definitely say this book pulled it off well. This book was everything I could hope for as far as light, clean, easy-to-read entertainment goes. I thoroughly enjoyed the characters, the setting, and the overall story. I will definitely be looking into Mary Moore's other novels.

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