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Sixteen-year-old magazine quiz junkie Kelsey Sinclair wants to make this summer unforgettable by (hopefully) seducing her secret crush, Blaine Mulder. Armed with romance advice articles, Kelsey tackles true love with scientific precision, including getting a job at the seaside restaurant that overlooks the yacht club where Blaine teaches sailing.

However, visions of rendezvous on the beach are clouded when the new kitchen guy's laid back attitude and smouldering stare quickly get under her skin. With his renegade demeanour and unpredictable stunts, Luke is the opposite to Blaine's golden boy reputation. Determined to follow through with her original goal, Kelsey ignores her growing attraction to Luke, certain he's not the guy for her. But when she finally manages to get Blaine's attention, Kelsey worries the magazines are all wrong, and that sometimes the best matches are the ones you least expect.

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Carol MacInnis says

I won this book on a contest from Goodreads.

Kelsey Sinclair has a younger brother Chet with special needs who she dearly loves and would do anything for. For summer vacation Kelsey took a summer job as a busgirl at the Queen's Galley which is a seaside restaurant that overlooks the yacht club which Blaine Mulder teach sailing. Blaine was Kelsey's grade 10 math teacher and she feels is her soul mate and now hearing his girlfriend has moved away gives her the perfect opportunity to move in on him this summer. Luke is also working at Queen's Galley and Kelsey felt was a bit of a flake, but as time wore on it was apparent Luke was more than Kelsey thought him to be. But what about Blaine? Life is always complicated at 16 going on 17!

Definitely a book for a young adult.

Carmie says

I read this on Wattpad and I'm so glad I did because when I went to go read it again it had been taken down for publishing! The plot is amazing; the characters are vivid. It's one of the best-coming-to-age books I've read in a while.

Arianna says

Spoilers

This book is amazing and a roller coaster chapter after chapter. Following Kelsey around in her tragic world is more entertaining than an episode of Keeping Up with the Kardashians and will leave you cringing from second hand embarrassment, but in a good way.

Like any YA Romance book, its cheesy at times, but so rewarding whenever Kelsey discovers that Mr. Perfect isn't always the guy you want and is almost never the guy you need. Luke is incredibly sassy and sarcastic and amazingly written. In fact, every character in the main cast is well-written and armed with incredible back stories and personalities. You'll never be confused as to which character is which because Meyers gives each of them such unique voices and mannerisms.

Chet, the younger brother, is such an important character, not only because he Kelsey grounded, but because he has down syndrome. It's so important to see those with "disorders" represented in popular literature and culture. Kelsey and Chet's relationship is so heartwarming, it'll bring a tear to your eye.

The writing is smart and Meyers give Kelsey such a strong and quirky personality. She's far from perfect and that's why she's so lovely. And it isn't the stereotypical "clumsy girl who turns hot and gets the guy while losing all her flaws", it's "clumsy girl remains clumsy and everyone loves her for her and she realizes that she doesn't have to change for people to love her." That's an important girl to write about. Kelsey never stops being embarrassing and clumsy, and the reader never stops cringing at her antics. I'm sure I blushed as much as she did.

The novel is brilliantly paced and the background information is teased early on, but never given to us in a

spurge of text. We gain a little, piece by piece.

Butterflies Don't Lie is a great read for anyone wanting a little spice in their YA romance and for any young girls who may say the wrong things at the wrong time and seem to mess everything up. If Kelsey can survive the Queen's Gallery, you can survive whatever life throws at you.

Jane Lebak says

This is a fun story of a teen at a watershed moment -- literally. She's afraid of life but unaware of how afraid she is. She's been crushing on a childhood friend for ages, but in the process of scheming to obtain her crush, she ends up bumping shoulders with another guy, one who's decidedly less safe and starts pushing her out of her comfort zone. The "literal" watershed moment is actually literal -- she's afraid of swimming.

There's a strong message of female mentorship as Kelsey begins widening her focus from "How do I get this guy?" to "How do I become more fully alive?"

My only criticism is the ending -- after Kelsey's mother shows her how to resolve plot B with strength and authority, I wish Kelsey herself had come up with a means of resolving Plot A on her own to demonstrate how much she'd learned from the cast of strong women around her.

Overall, enjoyable, and recommended to anyone who reads YA romance.

Elizabeth says

I loved the twists and turns in this novel, and it was a quick and easy read with lots of heart. 5 out of 5 for sure.

Cassandra says

Loved it! super cute and was a nice light read great for relaxing days

Shaina says

Read this book back in my wattpad days.

Ari says

Busgirl blues is an amazing book. Its inventive, funny, interesting and it has gotten hundreds of thousands of reads in a very short amount of time. It is by <http://www.wattpad.com/user/BRMyers>. She is an amazing writer and her book <http://www.wattpad.com/story/4327404-...> has been published as well. It is about a girl

called Kelsey Sinclair and her unforgettable summer. It sounds really cliché but trust me its brilliant. Its worth every penny you buy it for. The author has promised competitions for advance copies on her blog (<http://bethanymyers.blogspot.co.uk/>).

Natalie Sampson says

Loved this sweet story about finding what's important, being open to new opportunities and understanding that sometimes things aren't what they seem... An excellent read for any teen or adult who likes love stories. I loved the Nova Scotia connections and details that made Myers' characters come to life.

norcalgal says

Kelsey Sinclair thinks she's a loser, and guess what - she is a loser! I couldn't garner any sympathy for her and her teen angst. She came across to me as obnoxious, judgmental and bratty. Even her devotion to her Down's Syndrome brother Chet doesn't score many points with me.

Yes, she does mature (somewhat) and learn life lessons by the end of the novel, but the passage there is long, tortuous and a little boring. Her behavior at the house party early in the novel would seem like typical teen behavior (drink lots of alcohol, get drunk and do or say stupid things) but the way it was presented, Kelsey came across as a real jerk.

Speaking of being a jerk, even after she gets to know Luke, she still refers to him as how-hole (her brother Chet parroted Kelsey's slur to Luke when they jumped into Luke's path while he was biking)! Really, the author wants we readers to feel some love connection between the two when the female half still thinks of, and refers to the male as an ***hole? Yeah, sure I can hear wedding bells already.

As for that male half, I liked Luke well enough. I didn't fall in love with the character but didn't loathe him either. In fact, of all the characters in the book, it was Francine we captured my attention the most. She just seemed so interesting and intriguing (at least based on what Kelsey said about her), but too bad Fran wasn't really in this book that much.

I almost DNF'ed this book, but trudged through to the end because based on the synopsis, it was oh so obvious Kelsey would come to realize Luke was her true love, and I wanted to see how the author pulls it off. But even then, I still skimmed parts of this book. Thus, as YA or as a romance novel, it was subpar in both respects.

Linda says

"Butterflies Don't Lie" is a fun novel that teaches readers that you can find love in unexpected places. Kelsey, the protagonist, is a funny and loving character who charms readers with her attitude towards her younger brother. Her efforts to do well at her job at The Queens Gallery don't quite go as planned and it is hilarious. Luke has a big personality and neon blue hair to go with it, but beyond his crazy looks, he is a sweet and caring guy that goes out of his way to help others out. He is good in times of emergencies,

especially when it comes to Kelsey. I recommend this book for anybody, especially young teens who are looking for a good love story with lots of humor.

Tricia Dauphinee-bishop says

I love Bethany Myers writing style. She delivers all her stories with a sense of humour. This is not just for YA. A story that speaks to all ages. I'm not going to spoil the book, just read it and enjoy!
