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Riley Logan and Travis Grayson have been best friends for the last fifteen years. She would do anything for him, go anywhere for him...and she has, countless times. Except now. Now he's asking for too much. Their friendship has reached a breaking point and she doesn't know how to go back. But as Travis' personal assistant, Riley spends her every waking moment by his side.

When a fractured ankle puts Travis' BMX career on hold he's given more downtime than he knows what to do with. Always one for excitement, he agrees to become the bachelor on a televised dating show, but only if Riley goes in undercover to help weed through the girls.

What was supposed to be eight weeks of freedom has turned into eight weeks of hell surrounded by desperate girls all vying for Travis' attention. He promised her the show would be smooth sailing. He promised he would listen to her advice on which girls should be eliminated. But now he's breaking those promises and getting way too close to the girl Riley despises the most.

She shouldn't care. Except she does. Much to her surprise there is one girl she wants Travis to choose...

Her.

Will she get what she wants, or will Riley lose her best friend along with getting her heart broken on national television?

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Sara says

Riley and Travis met at 10 years old and have been the best of friends ever since. 15 years later and Travis is a pro BMX rider and Riley is his PA. The relationship strictly friends. After a mild injury that sidelines Travis, he is offered to be on a dating show. Think of The Bachelor.. The only kicker? They want Riley on the show as a undercover contestant with the other girls. She's there to give him insight on the other women. What they are like when he isn't looking. They didn't know what was really in store for them. This was going to be a game changer. They wouldn't come out of this with the same friendship.

Now you can get the direction the book is going to take. But what I didn't count on was some of the emotions I felt for Travis and Riley as they navigated through these new feelings. I thought once they started crossing over the friendship line it would be a slam dunk. But it wasn't that easy. There were other girls in the way. Some conniving, some sweet. And as they realized they were more than friends, the reality was he was still the Bachelor. He still had to go on dates and get to know the ladies. And on The Bachelor, there's always a fame whore.

The moments where they flirt were adorable. The moments when I felt like it would all fall apart had me stressing.

The ease between them was intoxicating and I found myself hoping they found a way to make this work. That no one else would capture his attention from Riley.

"It's you. Always you"

It wasn't the slam dunk I thought it would be. Riley wasn't left the last woman standing.....I thought Travis was such a idiot. I didn't understand his actions at the end, but when the final episode aired, and he got his opportunity to explain, it made perfect sense. This was told in Riley's POV until the very end. So Travis cleared a few things up about what happened that pissed me off.

I needed a light read and I actually found a sweet story with good writing and great characters. And a mom that outsmarted them all.

Cassie Mae says

and i just spent all night reading. full review to come after i get much needed sleep :)

5 It's You in the End Stars

I'm going to try to form coherent sentences here... but let's just prepare for a gush.

Here's the gist

BMX rider Travis is out of commission for a few weeks while his ankle heals from an on-the-job accident,

and to keep up publicity (and also to find some luuuurve) Travis signs up for Xtreme Bachelor, a sports' themed reality show. But he'll only do it if his best bud, Riley poses as a contestant and helps him weed out the fake girls.

Pause for a second while I become extremely jealous that I didn't think of this idea.

The Characters

Riley is probably my most favoritest heroine ever. She says whatever the crap she wants, she does her and doesn't care what people think, she's a fierce friend, got a good head on her shoulders, and I just couldn't get enough of her.

Travis is my kind of book boyfriend. He's FUNNY, witty, athletic, and all around good guy who occasionally "thinks with the wrong head." I want him. I'm putting a claim on him right now. Top 5 book boyfriends. *prepares to battle for his affection*

The secondary characters were great as well. And I was right along with Riley on her feelings toward each of the girls on the show. (And with her feelings on Travis concerning a certain gold digger. Gar! What was his problem???)

Okay... back to the review.

The Story

Fun. Fast. Flirty. Swoony. I seriously read this in one night determined to see how it all turned out. Best friends to lovers is my FAVORITE type of story. This one did not disappoint.

Oh my gosh and when (view spoiler)

The Writing

Easy, not too many grammatical errors, captivating, funny, just awesome. I will definitely be reading more from this author.

Final Thoughts

I needed this book right now. I wanted something fun, light, easy to get into. I wanted characters I'd fall in love with, characters I understood. I'll be reading this again. Especially that spoiler part I mentioned (over and over again).

:D

Allison says

Nikki says

Oh dear, not at all my cup of tea for reasons below;

1. Riley is a doormat.
2. Travis treats the supposed bf & love of his life abominably!!! Kissing a girl she cannot stand, calling her a bitch, the list was endless.....
3. The ending and supposed reason for Travis' actions. Unforgivable, Riley should have kicked him to the kerb!!

Laurence R. says

I didn't like it as much as I thought I would... It wasn't bad, but everything felt okay and nothing more. More than once, I wished something would have been different to make me enjoy reading even more, but it was never that extraordinary.

I think the idea is interesting, with Riley being on the competition as an insider for Travis, but I really disliked all the secrecy it created. I didn't enjoy seeing them lie and I kept cringing when they talked to each other, because I was always worried that someone would hear them or that they'd be on camera. I think they acted carelessly, because if I were the one in such a competition and I had to pretend I didn't know the Bachelor, I would never take such chances as they do. I found it quite annoying.

I did like their relationship, as well as Riley's with Travis's mom. However, I thought they did a pretty bad job at pretending not to know each other when they weren't alone, as I mentioned before, which was stressful for me. I loved how Riley handles Travis, because she's the perfect combination of girly and tomboy. She knows him really well and she likes being with him, but she can also tell him the truth and protect him. I didn't like him that much, because most of the time he simply flirted in ways that didn't make me feel like Riley is special to him, even though I know she is.

Overall, I thought this was alright, but I'm sure many of you would enjoy it more than I did.

Confessions of 2 Book Lovers Blog (Co2BL) says

Lindsay: OMG. This book was freaking AWESOME!!!!!!

Nikki: HELL yes it was!

Lindsay: Seriously, from the first page I was hooked and I couldn't put it down!

Nikki: So was I! I am so glad you rec'ed it to me! *hug emoticon*

Lindsay: I'll admit, I was a little worried about the reality show part. I'm not a fan of reality shows so I worried that it would be annoying. But it all worked. And it was funny! And sweet.

Nikki: I agree. I hate reality tv and avoid it at all costs. That aspect was a little worrisome at first, but honestly, I loved it! I felt like this author did a great job incorporating the behind-the-scenes aspect which kinda took some of the reality show-ness away and made it more about the people.

Lindsay: I completely agree. And I was especially looking forward to the moments where Riley was dishing on all the girls. I did love the little insider aspect to it.

Nikki: I loved that! Riley was such a great leading lady and she had me laughing so hard! I loved how hard she had to hold herself back from punching a certain skank.. err.. contestant in the face!

Lindsay: LOL! So wait...you didn't like Nicki? ;)

I completely agree with you though. I loved Riley. She was so easy to relate to. And Travis and Riley had such an awesome relationship that I didn't want the book to end. I could reread them over and over and over and over and over (and over) again!

Nikki: NO I didn't like Giggly Boobs! :| She was absolutely awful and it's a travesty we *sneers* share a name! *shudders* But I agree about Riley and Travis. They had the best friendship ever and I was rooting from page one for them to fall in love.

Lindsay: Rotfl. I'll admit that when I read it (since I read it before you) my first thought was "Nikki's not going to be happy with Nic...I mean...Giggly Boobs having her name. And OMG. The flashback! I was dying laughing during that! That was the best. And you could tell they hit it off from the first moment.

Nikki: Lol you know me so well! :D And yes, that flashback scene was actually what sealed the deal for this getting 5 stars off the bat. I knew it would be hard pressed and something really bad would have to happen for me to take a star away!

Lindsay: Call me easy but it was earlier in the book for me. I was sold on it with their first texting conversation in the first chapter:

Trav: Where'd you go?

Me: Coffee run & waiting for your mom.

Trav: Well....at least you missed my crash.

Me: Shut your face!

Me: Did you hurt yourself?

Trav: No. It's just the stupid grooves in one of the hills. Lots of riders are having issues with it.

Me: Well make sure you figure it out so you don't crash during finals and really do damage.

Trav: I have. I think.
Me: If you hurt yourself, I'm resigning.
Trav: No you're not. Stop lying. You love me too much.
Me: Is love the word you're using for hate?
Me: Because if it is, than yes...that's very true.
Trav: Woman. You are frustrating.
Me: Does that mean you'll fire me?
Trav: Never.
Me: Damn.

I knew from that moment, that with banter like that, there was no way I would hate this book!

Nikki: Omg I so agree! That was so freaking hilarious I had to take a bathroom break! Come to think of it, I had to take a lot of those during this book! I laughed so much! Which made me love it even more. I love to laugh and this book is possibly one of the funniest I've ever read!

Lindsay: This book was pretty much perfection. There were a few moments where I wasn't jumping for joy but I don't really have any complaints. Because every time I wanted to punch Travis, he totally made up for it later.

Nikki: I agree. I felt like there were a few times Travis needed a junk punch, but that was because he is a guy and most guys need one from time to time anyway! ;) The best part about that though is that he always made up for it in a big way! I totally ❤️ Travis!

Lindsay: I completely agree. Travis was a typical stupid man. Just so dense about some things. Riley was a saint to be able to put up with him 24/7!

Nikki: Lol Yeah she was! No wonder he fell for her! And I can see why she fell for him. When he wasn't being a dumb boy, he was a pretty awesome friend and really funny!

Lindsay: I agree. I want my own Travis. Why are all the great ones fictional, taken or fictional **AND** taken!? *sniffing*

Nikki: LMAO. I don't know but I'm with you! I want a Travis too! Or one of his brothers ;)

Lindsay: Speaking of his brothers... I wouldn't mind books for them! Or really, more from this author in general!

Nikki: Hey Lindsay, did you know this was a debut novel for the author?!

Lindsay: No! I had no idea! But it was freaking awesome for a debut. If she's this good on her first book, her future books are going to be out of this world!

Nikki: I agree! I really can't wait to see what she comes up with next! I think we need to add Ms. Marcoe to our Authors To Stalk list ;)

Lindsay: DUDE! I'm already on it!

Nikki: Yay! *celebrate emoticon*

Lindsay: So, on that note, I think we should wrap this up. This book totally deserves a zillion stars but since we only go up to 5, that's what it gets.

Nikki: Definitely! I would reread this in a heartbeat and I would absolutely recommend this to everyone! :D

Lindsay: Same here! This is a MUST READ book for sure!

Our Dream Cast:

<http://confessionsof2booklovers.blogs...>

Katie W says

I've said this before--I don't watch The Bachelor, but I love these types of books. There's just something about them (reality tv type) that's a lot of fun. Travis is a BMX racer and is a pretty big deal in the sport. He is asked to be "the bachelor" in a reality tv show and is pretty hesitant--until his best friend of 15 years and personal assistant, Riley, agrees to be a part of it (undercover) to give him some insight on who to choose.

Travis is a pretty confident guy. He's on the verge of cocky, yet he's still likable. I don't think he truly appreciates what he has with Riley. Her entire world revolves around him and his life and he just seems to take her for granted. He asks her to be there for him to help him decide, yet he won't listen to her. It blew me away that he would take the word of someone he's known for 15 years over someone he's known for days. Does their friendship really mean that little? He's very good-looking, adventurous, and kind. He tries hard to be fair and patient, but he really doesn't take Riley's feelings into account very often.

Riley tries so hard to be selfless, but the jealousy kicks in and makes that really hard to do. Riley is a pretty tough woman and tries so hard to portray that, but deep down, she's human, just like everyone else. I really would have liked to see her move on and grow through this hard time, but she didn't. I honestly don't know how she put up with everything that she did. I would've snapped long before she did.

I really did enjoy the story, especially the friendship that develops between Riley and another contestant. I can see how hard it would be to always be in the spotlight and still try and maintain a friendship. I liked the way it all ended.

Content: no violence, but some mean/catty girls; moderate swearing (it really didn't need that); kissing and mild innuendo, but stayed clean.

Kathy * Bookworm Nation says

I saw this book on a friends page and thought it sounded good. I've watched *The Bachelor* for years and love finding books with the same type plot. I thought this had a good twist to it. Riley and Travis have been best friends for fifteen years and even work together. When Travis is offered the opportunity to play the Bachelor on a new reality show he talks Riley into coming on to pose as a contestant to help him get the inside scoop. For the first time in their friendship they are thrown into a "dating" environment and start to see each other in a whole new light.

I liked Riley for the most part. I was a little frustrated that her whole life seemed to revolve around Travis though. I was hoping to see a little more growth throughout the story. Yes, I wanted them to end up together, but I also wanted to see Riley get her own identity away from Travis. (view spoiler) I did like her though, I thought she overreacted a few times, but I guess that was understandable considering the circumstances.

Travis could be totally sweet at times and then go and do something totally stupid. I sometimes wished we could have heard from his POV, but I guess not knowing his intentions help build some tension. I did like him, but he did frustrate me. I get that he was in a tough position and I think he didn't even realize everything that was going on being right in the middle of everything. I would have liked to see his reactions when he watched the show back. I never saw what he liked in Nicki, she was pretty awful. Seeing her from his POV might have helped me understand his reasoning, as it was she was just a horrible person so I didn't get it.

Overall, I enjoyed this one. Once I started I got sucked in and wanted to know what would happen next.

Content

Romance: Pretty clean. Kissing, mild innuendo (compared to the real TV show this was like a G version of that)

Language: Moderate (I hated all the swearing, it was pretty mild, mostly A, B, G, and S, but I thought it was unnecessary)

Lindsay says

5 stars is not enough. This book was freaking awesome. I loved every minute of it.

Initially I was worried about the reality show aspect. Because as much as I love friends-to-lovers romances, I just couldn't imagine how it would work with the reality show. But from page one, I was hooked. This book was awesome. Beyond awesome.

I loved the friendship between Riley Logan and Travis Grayson. Their banter cracked me up and kept me hooked. And it was more than obvious to me that there were feelings between them, even if they didn't see it themselves. There was also a great flashback to when they first met and that was the best. They were so cute as kids and their connection was instant.

Even though I was unsure how I would feel about the reality show aspect, I did love the idea of Riley being undercover and feeding Travis insider info on the girls.

Travis did have his idiot moments where I wanted to hit him where it hurt, but he always made up for it.

Riley and Travis kept me laughing with their banter. I can't remember the last time I loved a book as much as I did this one.

I could go on and on about this book, it was that good. And I was extremely surprised to find out that this was the author's debut novel. It's beyond perfect. I can't wait to see what she does next. And Ms. Marcoe, you have a new fan for life!

Tahsin says

it started out nice enough, but it's progression began to annoy me. and it also didn't make too much sense. the protagonists have been best friends for 15 years, and they only realize they have feelings for each other after they go on the show. until then, their relationship was one hundred percent platonic. I find that really hard to believe. it kinda veered into insta-love territory, but then I guess it doesn't really count since they've known each other for so long. and another thing: 25+ year olds don't swear? there wasn't a single f-bomb in this book. it was all "stinking", "freaking", and "effing". and they only uttered "bitch" less than is acceptable in a new-adult romance. the lack of "vulgar language" really pissed me off for some reason. one would expect a level of maturity in a supposed mature romance, and I find that most of it is through words. since it's a book, and we can't really read body language, all of it is conveyed through words. I missed the lack of maturity in this book. it could have been a lot bigger with some more editing and maybe taking the story in a slightly different direction.

skywalker (uninspired) says

Aaaaaand I choose my big finger. Wait, no, there are two of them.

Oh, well there you go... Two big fuck yous.

One would like to think that he/she learns from their mistakes. Not me. No sir.

I give books like these some hope only to be so disappointed by the time I am done. And time they do take, sweet time, the loss of which angers me the most.

The reason I thought this book and I had a great future:

<1>He was popping wheelies and jumping the curb. I had never seen anyone so graceful on a bike. I was entranced. I stood at the curb watching him as my family went into the house. Travis glanced up when he heard our front door slam shut and saw me looking at him. He stared back. He had just the hint of a smirk on his face, when his front wheel rammed into the curb in front of me. He fell off the bike in slow motion, ramming his knee down on the blacktop before tucking and rolling to his back. He lay there not moving. I walked over to him and kicked his leg.

[Inner thought- woah, tomboy. Toast#1. Confirmed, no distressed damsels. Toast#2]

"You dead?" I asked in a small voice. Travis still didn't move. So, I kicked him a little harder in the side.

"Ugh, woman. Stop kicking me!" Travis still had his eyes closed, but he swatted at my leg.

"I'm 10. I'm not a woman," I mumbled.

Travis smirked. "Fine. Stop kicking me, Doll."

[Inner thought- Nickname. Huh, usually not a fan of generalised pet names, but this was cute. The older version of the male MC already used it, I was like HOTTT! Toast#3. Cute backstory. Toast#4. And did I forget to mention Travis is into BMX?. Toast#5]

"I hate dolls," I said, crossing my arms over my chest and glaring at him.

"But you look like one right now." He squinted up at me. I rolled my eyes and kicked him one more time. This time because he was annoying me. Travis laughed and started to sit up, wincing a little. I finally glanced down at his leg to see a tear in his jeans and a bunch of blood soaking the denim.

"You probably shouldn't look at that," Travis said to me, trying to stand up.

I snorted. "I'm not scared of blood." I told him to stay there while I ran into my house to grab the first aid kit.

When I got back Travis was sitting on the sidewalk with his leg out in front of him. I plopped down in the grass beside him, and started yanking items out of the first aid kit.

"This might hurt," I said, as I held up the bottle of peroxide. He just shrugged his shoulders. So I did what any 10-year-old girl would do to a boy—I dumped what was left of the bottle on his wound. Let's just say I have never heard anyone scream as loud as he did that day. It's a wonder why he ever wanted to be my friend after that, but that's exactly what happened. We bonded over his bloody knee — and have been pretty inseparable since.

[with this meet-cute i was hooked. Toast#6.]

Do not be deceived innocent reader, this book will drag you down.

And that, folks, was the end of all the toasting.

I used to consider myself a good judge of movies and books. At least the former I can vouch for, my record of being satisfied with movies I liked by the watching trailers is 99.9%. Plus taking into consideration that even the longest of them don't take more than 3 hours of my time, I can't really bother getting worked up over. Books. Books on the other hand prove me time and again that I make more poor decisions than good ones. After all, blurbs cant be compared to trailers. And I love words more than graphics. I am being robbed of my time.

And don't get me started on these long reviews I do when the books were really lame. I feel they are worthy time investments. I consider review time the best part of all that i waste on a book i don't like. I think of it as goodwill and a means of pouring my rage out.

So CHOOSE US... I liked the blurb. I found the friends to lovers plot interesting (as always) and no surprise, the story wasn't quite up to my expectations (as always).

Writing was bad, it was really bad. The characters were pretty flat, some exaggerated dramatic dialogues for no purpose. And I couldn't see how, after 15 years of being friends the two of them suddenly started having feels for each other. I mean, COME ON! In 15 years of being inseparable, is the author trying to tell us that the two MCs were NEVER put in such a situation like the one they were up against in the present???? Fine, even if that was possible, she did not make the story convincing enough for this... whatever it is... to work out.

So Travis is a BMX racer, and Doll, whatever her name is, is his PA. He gets himself injured during a race. *Kathy laughed and pulled me into a side hug. "I don't care what you do—just make sure you yell at him first."*

“Oh, don’t worry, I plan to.”

As we neared the ambulance Kathy took out her phone and dialed her husband... I heard her say into her phone, “Keith, your son injured himself again. I swear he takes after your dad.”

“Hey, Doll,” Travis said as I approached. “I stayed safe.”

I rolled my eyes, standing at the end of the gurney and out of the way of the medic taking care of Travis.

“Yeah, your bike’s current condition really supports that statement.” I heard Mr. Medic chuckle as he injected Travis with some pain medicine.

“Oh come on, I tucked and rolled after coming off the landing. Seriously Riles, it could have been worse,” Travis argued, adjusting himself on the gurney.

I snorted. “I’m not sure what could have been worse than seeing you lying there, looking like you were dead.”

Huh, so that would be called yelling, or really bothering to look concerned... It was not a character flaw, me thinks it was purely the result of an author not paying enough attention to the flow of a script.

Very amateurish writing.

Kathy banished me to the cafeteria once she showed up. I had wanted to wait for Travis to get done with his x-rays, but she walked in, took one look at me, and declared I needed coffee.

Which, I was completely grateful for; it had been a really long day. And honestly, what good was I just pacing the hallways?

Yeaah right, not having gone through even a quarter of the day. And I can assure you it was not even funny enough to bring any laughs.

Okay, so Travis got injured and signed up for a dating show for showing time well spent on finding the right woman for him, during his injury. And oh no, he wouldn't be separated from Doll. She's go along undercover and as a POTENTIAL FUTURE-SOMETHING-WOMAN.

This was them meeting each other after not seeing each other for two weeks:

Sighing, I slowly drank in a breath, soothing my nerves. My car pulled in front of the house and the driver quickly got out to open my door.

No more waiting, it was go time. The door opened and I accepted the driver’s outstretched hand. I stepped out of the car and breathed in the fresh air, before walking towards Travis. I couldn’t bring myself to look up as I made my way toward him. This all felt too real now.

Before I could stop myself, I glanced up and caught Travis’ eye. He was staring at me, mouth agape. I gave him a shy smile and shrugged my shoulders slightly. Travis slowly shifted his mouth into a dazzling smile, which had me completely forgetting about the cameras that lined the driveway. Travis was wearing a --- DETAILS--- made it look casually tousled.

Damn it all to hell if he didn’t look hot.

Good god, I could be very stinking rich if I earned a penny everytime I read a book where the guy who knew a girl for years suddenly looked at a girl differently when she wore a certain dress, friend, ugly, enemy no matter what he considered her to be until that moment. I need to see such clothes to believe it. Wow to life changing wardrobe!

Details, details, too many details I didn't need.

One could say that I should have put the book down at this point but I was just holding out hope. The limitlessness of my hopefulness astounds me. I need a drink.

So after this, Travis our man, no matter how badly the author wrote this story, was a character, so I am going to launch half my knives on him. So he made the sexy looking women stay, got angry with doll for calling those fake women for who they were, and they were his type. Also he started something with Doll (.. ah! Riley's her name) in the middle of the cuddling and making out with other contestants and didn't have a fucking idea that Doll/Riley was not happy sharing him. By this point I was seething with the book and Travis and only cared to finish reading only to tear it to shreds in this review.

[image error]

So when it got to be too much feels for Riley, he sent her out of the show and just begged for some time to give an explanation. Really!? Why the fuck don't people just say it, instead just drag and wait and fart till they feel the right time to reveal something?

[image error]

After being sent out of the show, and heartbroken, Riley waited for the show to end so she could get back to her job with HIM. Who in their right minds would be interested in going back to a bad situation before trying elsewhere? R-E-T-A-R-D-E-D, this one was.

Are you bored of this sorry tale already? I haven't gotten to the best/worst part yet!

So the finale of the show was going to be aired, and in the two months Riley was away from Travis, he had contacted her many times but she did not answer and he did not explain anything...

I tossed my mail onto the counter and turned to put the kettle on the stove to boil water for my coffee. I noticed the corner of a gossip magazine peeking out from behind some bills. My curiosity got the better of me as I brushed the bills aside and saw the full cover of the magazine. Travis was smiling back at me, with pictures of Taylor, Nicki and me in little boxes under him. The headline of Freestyle Star Finds Love in an Unexpected Place was positioned above Travis' head. They also had drawn a bunch of cutesy little hearts around my head, with BFF in one of the hearts.

Stupid gossip rags.

So you did not notice the cover before you got the magazine? No, wait, I know. That little shit of a gossip rag walked to your HOME, where you are the only person living.

Stupid script flow again.

And then Riley was stupid enough to think she could watch the finale of that show. With Travis. With his family. As they all did, Riley found out that he declared on the show to be in love with her, and none of the other contestants. It was a huge clusterfuck at this moment. He did not personally tell her so in the two months he had after winding up the show. And thought that for her to hear the truth from him as it was televised, was the best way. I really don't get people who believe in toying with the feelings of others, before making a grand sweeping gesture, not to mention waiting for perfect moments and doing a YOU-GOT-PUNK'D of sorts.

To them, I salute with both fingers raised.

Mysza says

Very sweet story. A good one, if you like Young Adult, something to read in between "harder" stuff. No smut here, just stolen kisses. It has one of my favorites "friends to lovers" theme, it keeps you waiting and wondering when the hell they are going to get together. The heroine was nice, smart and a little feisty. Hero got on my nerves a little bit but turned out to be ok. I quite enjoyed it although felt a little old reading it.

Patrycja says

[Yes (hide spoiler)]

Arleday says

Pride & Prejudice is one of my favorite romance books of all time. In the character of Jane Bennet we see that you can be naive and forgiving, without being a spineless doormat. Through the story itself, the author demonstrates how misunderstandings and assumptions can lead people to make decisions, that they will later regret, when they uncover the truth. We are shown that hurtful actions can be made with good intentions, and the person responsible deserves a second chance.

This book however, does none of the above.

I had so many issues with the characters and their actions, that I won't try to cover it all, but rest assured, I did not find the hero's ability to forgive so quickly to be a sign of strength. I did not read about the hero's motives and think that in light of what really went down, he was actually a caring and good hearted guy, put in an impossible situation... All I could think* was "Thank God this is over".

*This is a lie, I had lots of thoughts, most of them angry..

Nikki says

A freaking MAZING! Awesomesauce! Fantabulous! Choose Us is the debut book from Caylie Marcoe and I can't even begin to describe how amazing it was! Best friends for 15 years, Riley and Travis spend pretty much all their time together. He's a hot shot BMX rider and she's his personal assistant. After an injury has him out of the game for several weeks, he decides to accept an offer as the bachelor on a reality dating show, with one stipulation - Riley has to go undercover as one of the contestants to get the inside scoop on the other girls. Thus begins quite possibly one of the funniest books I have ever read! The banter between Riley and Travis was hilarious. Their friendship was awesome and I was rooting for them to fall in love basically from page one! The author did a great job with describing the behind the scenes aspect of the show and how Riley felt towards the other ladies. There were a few I liked and one in particular I wanted to throttle so hard! There were a few times Travis needed a junk punch, but that was because he is a guy and most guys need one from time to time anyway! ;) The best part about that though is that he always made up for it in a big way! I totally ❤️ Travis! Him and Riley were perfect together and I loved seeing them realize the felt more for each other! The ending was amazing and I honestly can't name one thing I didn't love about this book! Even the one part towards the end that was just a teeny bit underhanded wasn't bad! This is definitely a

favorite read and I now have a new author to watch out for! I can't wait to see what Ms. Marcoe comes up with next!
