

# After The Rain The Hilarious Opposites Attract Ro

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**Life of Pi** Yann Martel 2009-03-19 Life of Pi is a masterful and utterly original novel that is at once the story of a young castaway who faces immeasurable hardships on the high seas, and a meditation on religion, faith, art and life that is as witty as it is profound. Using the threads of all of our best stories, Yann Martel has woven a glorious spiritual adventure that makes us question what it means to be alive, and to believe.

Her Rebel Heart Jamie Farrell 2017-03-05 “A poignant, unapologetically southern, laugh out loud look at what it means to truly be seen and loved.” – Kait Nolan A sexy military pilot is about to meet his match in an unpredictable physics professor! Kaci Boudreaux is every Southern mama’s nightmare, including her own. This former Miss Grits would rather tromp around in boots shooting off potato guns—and her mouth—than dress pretty and play nice with the boys. Especially her chauvinistic fellow professors, her ex-husband, and those military cargo pilots she accidentally started a war with. Lance Wheeler is every Southern belle’s dream, except his ex-fiancé’s. After being left at the altar, he’d love to take his C-130 and fly far, far away. But since his bird technically belongs to Uncle Sam (as does he), a distraction in the form of a feisty fireball of a physics professor will do while he’s waiting for his next deployment with the Air Force. He’s into her for the fun. She’s into him for the challenge. But when their secrets start slipping out, their hearts will be on the line. She needs roots. He wants to see the world. What will they do about needing each other?

The Great Ex-Scape Jo Watson 2018-10-09 From the author of the 100,000 copy-selling rom-com, Love to Hate You! No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson! 'If you want a book that is TRULY "laugh out loud" start here' Goodreads reviewer If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! 'A hilarious, laugh-out-loud romance that is a breath of fresh air' 5\* reader review 'A masterclass in character development... This is truly a novel for the times we live in. I would highly recommend' 5\* reader review 'Another absolutely gorgeous read by one of my favourite authors...completely impossible to put down' 5\* reader review 'I loved this book. It was so funny and I really wish a movie could be made of it' 5\* reader review On the scale of one to worst idea ever, agreeing to give the toast at her best friend's engagement party when she's been in love with him for three years was not Val's finest decision. Nor was accidentally confessing

her love to him in front of all their guests, including his fiancée. Boarding a plane that will take her literally anywhere to get away from the humiliation, Val is pleasantly surprised to find herself on the dazzlingly beautiful island of Reunion where she hopes she can heal her wounded pride, broken heart and bruised knees. When a painful face mask experiment leads her to a fellow broken-hearted traveller, Alex, they decide to give each other a helping hand and follow a foolproof ten-step plan to get over their respective exes. And so begins their crazy adventure. What could possibly go wrong? Don't miss Jo's laugh-out-loud rom-coms, Love You, Love You Not, Love to Hate You, Burning Moon, Almost A Bride, Finding You, After the Rain and The Great Ex-scape. Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson: 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' Gina's Bookshelf 'It was amazing, it was hilarious' Rachel's Random Reads 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' Hopeless Romantics

*Fool's Gold: A Finch Family Novel* Jenny Bunting 2021-10-27 When a small town's Type A event planner "dates" the laid-back heartbreaker, tongues will wag. Cameron loves his carefree life, hanging out at the local bar and bedding every ready-and-willing woman he finds. When his family's craft brewery needs him to plan a big event, he knows (begrudgingly) it's time to get serious. Annie was dumped by her boss's son, and he got engaged before her tears dried. When he invites her to his engagement party, she needs a date to make him jealous a little bit. The epic nineties-themed party they're planning is real fly, but the relationship is pretend...right? Author's Note: Small town. Opposites attract. Fake dating. Lots of nineties jams. Steamy times in a tiny home and a truck bed. Vigilante raccoons. Tall heroine (she's six feet!). Grab this funny, yet full-of-feels small town romance today!

**Opposites Attract** Linda Joy Singleton 1992 Alike only in their involvement with the local 4-H program, Jessie figures to make Dave notice her more by embarking on a project for the group, but her efforts may generate sparks of rivalry rather than those of passion.

**Tonight and Every Night** Mere Rain 2021-09-18 A funny, sexy, opposites-attract romance between two college students -- one an anxious, autistic virgin who has never been away from home before, and the other an easy-going hockey player with some well-concealed self-doubts. As long as you don't call it a relationship, you don't have to talk about your feelings, right? PJ is socially awkward to the degree that he never expects to have a relationship or "normal" life. Everything other than math makes him feel stupid, and trying to fit in with the party crowd only results in him getting embarrassingly drunk at Giant's apartment. He doesn't have the first idea how to ask someone out -- especially not someone popular and hot. Giant is having lots of fun but doesn't know what he's doing with his life. A working-class kid with an unexpected athletic scholarship, he feels stupid and low-class compared to most of his classmates. He's had plenty of one-night-stands but none of them ever seem to see him as boyfriend material. When the cute nerd who somehow ends up in his bed asks to see him again, he can't think of any reason to say no. As they spend more time together, not all of it in bed, both men start to fall in love, but neither wants to risk ending what they have by asking questions about their relationship. Then they go home for Thanksgiving and familial opposition forces them to put their feelings about each other, and themselves, into words, and make choices about their future together. But do they want the same things?

**Breakups Blow!** Rebecca Cardon 2013-01-31 We've all been there; what seemed like the perfect man or woman at the time has left our heart in pieces. The weeks following a breakup are usually consumed by unbearable grief, hours in bed and multiple cartons of Ben and Jerry's. Rather than keep up this vicious cycle following the demise of one's relationship, Cardon offers various ways to break the cycle and move on in "Breakups Blow!" In a humorous, honest and heartfelt manner, Cardon uses her personal experiences and heartbreaks to help readers move through their own breakup wounds. The author feels that she has done the legwork on what eases the pain of a broken heart, and she has included it in "Breakups Blow!" to help her fellow woman. After reviewing a journal she had kept over the years, Cardon began to notice a pattern to her relationships. "My patterns were astounding, and with each mind-numbing breakup, I learned through trial and error what works for moving forward and what keeps you stuck," Cardon says. "I wish I had a book like 'Breakups Blow!' when I was going through my breakups."

**Best Man** Lily Morton 2019-10-10 Zeb Evans doesn't do messy. The product of a disorganised and chaotic childhood, Zeb likes order and control, and as the boss of his own employment agency he can give that to himself. Life runs along strict lines and he never mixes business with pleasure. Everything in his life lives in neat, alphabetized boxes. Until Jesse. Jesse Reed is Zeb's complete opposite. He's chaos personified. A whirling cyclone of disorder. He's also charming and funny and a very unwanted distraction. Which is why it comes as a complete surprise to Zeb to find himself asking Jesse to pose as his boyfriend for a few days in the country at a wedding. Zeb doesn't do impulsive, but as the time away progresses, he finds himself increasingly drawn to the merry and irreverent Jesse. But can he bring himself to break the hard-won lessons he's learnt in life? And even if he can, how could Jesse be attracted to him anyway? He's so much older than Jesse, not to mention being his boss. From the bestselling author of the Mixed Messages and Finding Home series comes a warm and funny romance about one man's fight for control and another man's determination to circumvent it.

Sophie's World Jostein Gaarder 2007-03-20 One day Sophie comes home from school to find two questions in her mail: "Who are you?" and "Where does the world come from?" Before she knows it she is enrolled in a correspondence course with a mysterious philosopher. Thus begins Jostein Gaarder's unique novel, which is not only a mystery, but also a complete and entertaining history of philosophy.

**The Hot Shot** Kristen Callihan 2017-04-18 First we were friends. Then we were roommates. Now I want more... What can I say about Chess Copper? The woman is capable of bringing me to my knees. I know this about five minutes after getting naked for her. No one is more surprised than me. The prickly photographer my team hired to shoot our annual charity calendar isn't my usual type. She's defense to my offense, a challenge at every turn. But when I'm with her, all the regrets and darkness goes away. She makes life fun. I want to know Chess, be close to her. Which is a bad idea. Chess is looking for a relationship. I've never given a woman more than one night. But when fate leaves Chess without a home, I step up and offer her mine. We're roommates now. Friends without benefits. But it's getting harder to keep our hands off each other. And the longer we live together the more I realize she's becoming my everything. Trick is... Now that I've made her believe I'm a bad bet, how do I convince her to give this player a true shot at forever?

**A Week to Be Wicked** Tessa Dare 2012-03-27 Unexpected lovers find themselves together in Spindle Cove with **A Week to be Wicked**—the second book in Tessa Dare’s utterly delectable historical romance series. This Regency Era delight finds a restless British lord desperate to escape the quaint and too quiet small seaside resort he’s trapped in...and he gets much more than he expected when he eagerly agrees to escort a beautiful, brilliant, socially awkward lady scientist to Scotland. Concerning Tessa Dare and her irresistible romances, bestselling author Julia Quinn is spot on when she says, “Prepare to fall in love!” And anyone who loves the novels of Lisa Kleypas, Christina Dodd, and Liz Carlyle is going to adore having **A Week to be Wicked**.

**Off-Limits Crush** Kelly Siskind 2019-11-12 Ainsley and Owen didn't expect to find love while volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, but if she gets wind of the lies chasing him, it will take more than hammers and nails (and nailing studs) to keep their walls from caving in...

**The Unexpected Consequences of Iron Overload** James Minter 2012-10-12 Jimmy Kavanagh has a genetic condition where he absorbs and stores iron from his diet over and above the body's requirements (Haemochromatosis). He is unaware of this. As time progresses, with increased ferritin levels he exhibits many traits of storing iron: oxidisation (rusting), becoming magnetised, and having strong bones (excess iron is stored in bone marrow). Through various childhood experiences he realises he is different but doesn't know why. After a significant event in which he saves Barbara, the woman of his dreams, from possible death he realises he can control his magnetism. His life is further complicated after coming to the attention of the KGB. They are interested in all things paranormal, and the CIA who are determined to stop the Russians. Life for Jimmy is further complicated by Sheila. Her father is Irish though she was born in Australia. Unbeknownst to her she has Haemochromatosis but of course, from the Southern hemisphere her polarity is reversed. Will Jimmy and Barbara live happily ever after? Can he manage to thwart the Russians, and CIA. Since opposites attract does his future lay with Sheila?

**All Geek to Me** Allie York 2020-02-13 I, Noralee Reynolds, lead the ultimate nerd life. I own a comic shop, have a great group of geeky friends to work with and wear a different cosplay every day. Since inheriting the family business I've had no time for a personal life of my own. Even if hosting a speed dating event makes me wish otherwise. I, Wyatt Collins, lead a hectic life. As a single dad, I've only got time for two things - raising my son and being a cop. I wasn't looking to cuff myself to anyone. Then I crossed paths with a nerdy comic shop owner who made me think twice. Things are great until a little self-doubt has Noralee wanting to run away. Can Wyatt convince her that he can be her real-life superhero?

**You, Me, Forever** Jo Watson 2020-02-06 You, Me, Forever is the glorious new rom-com, from the author of the ebook bestsellers **Love to Hate You** and **Love You, Love You Not** - guaranteed to make you laugh and make you cry! If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! Readers say her books are 'like a great big hug from your best friend!' Readers are raving about **YOU, ME, FOREVER!** 'Sitting here open mouthed in disbelief at just how wonderful this book is' Rachel's Random Reads 'An addictive read, it is heartbreaking at times but ultimately a stunning heart-warming read' Donna's Book Blog 'Will definitely be reading more by this author' Captured on Film Blog It all started with faulty elevator - and

a love letter... Writer Becca Thorne needs an idea - fast! She might have a huge bestseller to her name but, with the deadline for book two approaching, Becca knows she's in danger of losing the career she cares so much about. But Fate has other plans for her when she almost plummets to her death with two strangers in a faulty elevator. Although Becca emerges in one piece, her precious vintage handbag doesn't, and that's when she realises that inspiration has been with her all along. Hidden inside the bag's now-torn lining is a set of beautiful love letters. It might not be her story, yet Becca can't seem to get the romantic words out of her head and feels compelled to discover who wrote the letters. But there's more waiting for Becca than the tale of a romance from long ago - it might be the chance to live her own love story and follow the path Fate has always intended her to... Don't miss Jo's laugh-out-loud rom-coms, *Love You, Love You Not*, *Love to Hate You*, *Burning Moon*, *Almost A Bride*, *Finding You*, *After the Rain* and *The Great Ex-scape*. Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson: 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' *Gina's Bookshelf* 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' *Hopeless Romantics*

*Diamond Bay* Rose Bak 2021-12-05 In the small beach town of Diamond Bay, it's never too late to find love. But it's not always easy either... Three women move to coastal Oregon looking for a peaceful life, but they're in for a surprise. They have finally met the one man who can change everything they believe about love. But relationships don't come easily. They're old enough to be independent and are jaded by their past relationships. They have all experienced pain and traumatic events in their past that make it difficult to trust. Can alpha males and independent women find love later in life? With a little help, they just might let down their guards and find their forever. This great seasoned romance collection includes three previously released books together for the first time. Each book in the series is a standalone romance featuring a mature couple, steamy scenes, meddling friends and family, and a guaranteed happily ever after. This volume includes: *Brand New Penny* You never forget your first love, but what if, when you meet again, you're both totally different people? After twenty years away, Penny moves back to the tiny coastal town of Diamond Bay to make a new life for her and her daughter. She's surprised to learn that Mitch, her high school boyfriend, is also back – and now he's the Sheriff. Mitch wants to rekindle their romance, but the easygoing boy Penny dated is now a Navy veteran with a bossy streak – just the kind of guy she promised herself to avoid at all costs. With circumstances – and a matchmaker daughter – throwing them together, will Penny be able to give Mitch a second chance? *Fresh as a Daisy* Opposites attract – or they repel. Retired from the military, Red O'Brian is starting a new chapter in his life by opening a tattoo shop on the Oregon coast. He figures his small business will be a perfect fit for the quirky beach town of Diamond Bay. But there's one obstacle in his way – Daisy Hunnicutt. The conservative Town Services Manager is sure that a tattoo shop will bring nothing but crime and trouble to the small town she loves. When Daisy denies Red's business permit, Red goes to battle – for his business and his heart. Daisy has no interest in dating an alpha male, no matter how hot he is. She has worked hard to leave her past behind and become a strong, independent woman. There's a ten-foot wall – and a 180-pound dog – between them, but Red's not about to give up on the woman he loves. Can he convince her that their differences are just skin deep? *Right as Rain* When a stubborn alpha surgeon butts heads with an equally stubborn natural medicine practitioner, can their jaded hearts heal each other? *Rain Waters* had always fought against her hippie background. She left her family and her name behind to make millions in the pharmaceutical business. Unfortunately, her wealth was useless when she experienced a major health scare.

After she healed herself with alternative medicine, she reinvents herself as a medical intuitive and herbalist and starts over in the small beach town of Diamond Bay. Surgeon John White thinks alternative medicine is nonsense. The last thing the doctor wants is his patients delaying care while they go to some witch doctor and try to heal themselves with herbs and energy work. When life – and a crazy puppy – keep putting them into each other's path, Rain and John realize that they may be opposites, but there's definitely something between them. They could learn to like each other and maybe find love, if only Rain would stop working with his patients.... Buy your copy of "Diamond Bay" today. Keywords: contemporary romance, romantic comedy, later in life, midlife, friends to lovers, enemies to lovers, instalove, second chance, reunited, short read, romance novella, romantic novella, love at first sight, unexpected love, alpha male, curvy woman, strong female lead, steamy, series, humor, rich, funny, millionaire, billionaire, seasoned romance, comedy, romance, love, work, workplace, mature couple, romantic, silver fox, milf, bbw, boss, small town, doctor, medical, sheriff, police, military, veteran, tattoo, mc, motorcycle club, single mom, dog, dog mom, anthology, series, box set, boxed set, collection

### **Funny Cuts** Gordon Phillip Hood 1890

*Almost a Bride* Jo Watson 2017-01-31 That awkward moment you catch your boyfriend in bed with another woman and then mistakenly get arrested #chargesdropped Annie knows life isn't always fair. Sometimes you win. Sometimes you lose. Sometimes you get mistaken for a crazed intruder when you come home early and find your boyfriend wearing nipple clamps with a coworker on the night you thought he was going to propose to you. The important thing is to move on, and for Annie that means treating herself to a tropical vacation. But when she runs into her ex and his new woman staying at the same resort, reason is washed out to sea. Caught off guard, Annie pretends she's with Chris, a cute screenwriter she meets on the beach. With his own writing blocked, Chris is happy to help Annie craft a story to save face. Soon Annie isn't just getting over her ex, she's getting under Chris. As her fictional feelings grow increasingly real, Annie has to decide if she's ready to risk her heart on a new relationship. "Top Pick! Almost a Bride put a smile on my face more than once. The dialogue was witty, the words were well-written and the heroine was one-of-a-kind." ---Harlequin Junkie

*Into the Wild* Jon Krakauer 2009-09-22 Krakauer's page-turning bestseller explores a famed missing person mystery while unraveling the larger riddles it holds: the profound pull of the American wilderness on our imagination; the allure of high-risk activities to young men of a certain cast of mind; the complex, charged bond between fathers and sons. "Terrifying... Eloquent... A heart-rending drama of human yearning." —New York Times In April 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. He had given \$25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a moose hunter. How Christopher Johnson McCandless came to die is the unforgettable story of *Into the Wild*. Immediately after graduating from college in 1991, McCandless had roamed through the West and Southwest on a vision quest like those made by his heroes Jack London and John Muir. In the Mojave Desert he abandoned his car, stripped it of its license plates, and burned all of his

cash. He would give himself a new name, Alexander Supertramp, and, unencumbered by money and belongings, he would be free to wallow in the raw, unfiltered experiences that nature presented. Craving a blank spot on the map, McCandless simply threw the maps away. Leaving behind his desperate parents and sister, he vanished into the wild. Jon Krakauer constructs a clarifying prism through which he reassembles the disquieting facts of McCandless's short life. Admitting an interest that borders on obsession, he searches for the clues to the drives and desires that propelled McCandless. When McCandless's innocent mistakes turn out to be irreversible and fatal, he becomes the stuff of tabloid headlines and is dismissed for his naiveté, pretensions, and hubris. He is said to have had a death wish but wanting to die is a very different thing from being compelled to look over the edge. Krakauer brings McCandless's uncompromising pilgrimage out of the shadows, and the peril, adversity, and renunciation sought by this enigmatic young man are illuminated with a rare understanding--and not an ounce of sentimentality. Mesmerizing, heartbreaking, *Into the Wild* is a tour de force. The power and luminosity of Jon Krakauer's storytelling blaze through every page.

**Finding You** Jo Watson 2017-05-02 For fans of USA Today bestselling authors Christina Lauren and Sally Thorne comes a hilarious romantic comedy about finding your family, finding yourself, and maybe finding love along the way. Being adopted never made Jane Smith feel unloved, just unlike the rest of her family. As her twenty-fifth birthday approaches, she is struck by an overwhelming longing to finally find her place in the world. So in a very un-Jane-like move, she books a last-minute ticket to Greece to find her birth father and the real Jane. All she knows about him is it that he was a tour guide named Dimitri. Armed with this knowledge and several surprise boxes of condoms from her mom (not embarrassing at all), Jane takes off. Within minutes of landing she makes two important discoveries. First, everyone in Greece is named Dimitri, and second, fate might be playing a sick joke on her when a sexy tour guide called Dimitri comes to fetch her from the airport. He offers to help Jane with her search---if she'll go on an adventure with him. Stable Jane would never risk a steamy vacation romance. But real Jane might finally be ready to listen to her heart. Will Jane find her biological father, or will she end up finding something else entirely? "Top Pick! Almost a Bride put a smile on my face more than once. The dialogue was witty, the words were well-written and the heroine was one-of-a-kind." -- Harlequin Junkie

**Amusing Ourselves to Death** Neil Postman 2005-12-27 What happens when media and politics become forms of entertainment? As our world begins to look more and more like Orwell's 1984, Neil's Postman's essential guide to the modern media is more relevant than ever. "It's unlikely that Trump has ever read *Amusing Ourselves to Death*, but his ascent would not have surprised Postman." -CNN Originally published in 1985, Neil Postman's groundbreaking polemic about the corrosive effects of television on our politics and public discourse has been hailed as a twenty-first-century book published in the twentieth century. Now, with television joined by more sophisticated electronic media—from the Internet to cell phones to DVDs—it has taken on even greater significance. *Amusing Ourselves to Death* is a prophetic look at what happens when politics, journalism, education, and even religion become subject to the demands of entertainment. It is also a blueprint for regaining control of our media, so that they can serve our highest goals. "A brilliant, powerful, and important book. This is an indictment that Postman has laid down and, so far as I can see, an irrefutable one." –Jonathan Yardley, *The Washington Post Book World*

School, Family, and Community Partnerships Joyce L. Epstein 2018-07-19 Strengthen family and community engagement to promote equity and increase student success! When schools, families, and communities collaborate and share responsibility for students' education, more students succeed in school. Based on 30 years of research and fieldwork, this fourth edition of a bestseller provides tools and guidelines to use to develop more effective and equitable programs of family and community engagement. Written by a team of well-known experts, this foundational text demonstrates a proven approach to implement and sustain inclusive, goal-oriented programs. Readers will find: Many examples and vignettes Rubrics and checklists for implementation of plans CD-ROM complete with slides and notes for workshop presentations

**Beach Read** Emily Henry 2020-05-19 FROM THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF PEOPLE WE MEET ON VACATION AND BOOK LOVERS! A romance writer who no longer believes in love and a literary writer stuck in a rut engage in a summer-long challenge that may just upend everything they believe about happily ever afters. Augustus Everett is an acclaimed author of literary fiction. January Andrews writes bestselling romance. When she pens a happily ever after, he kills off his entire cast. They're polar opposites. In fact, the only thing they have in common is that for the next three months, they're living in neighboring beach houses, broke, and bogged down with writer's block. Until, one hazy evening, one thing leads to another and they strike a deal designed to force them out of their creative ruts: Augustus will spend the summer writing something happy, and January will pen the next Great American Novel. She'll take him on field trips worthy of any rom-com montage, and he'll take her to interview surviving members of a backwoods death cult (obviously). Everyone will finish a book and no one will fall in love. Really.

**Saddle Up** Kim Loraine 2019-12-18 "Giddy up! Kim Loraine nails this sexy cowboy romance and you'll want to take this book for a ride!" - #1 NYT bestselling author, Lauren Blakely What happens when a gorgeous, curvy network exec from LA shows up on the doorstep of my ranch? A big, fat pay-off to replace what my thieving ex took and enough sexual chemistry to light the Montana Sky on fire. Her plan? Send a cast of city slickers to the ranch to learn how to saddle up like a real cowboy. I've got one condition. She has to come learn the ropes before I'll agree to let strangers come work my ranch. She thinks it'll be a piece of cake. I'm sure she's not going to last. But it's going to be fun watching her try. There's just one problem. I want her to save a horse and ride...me. Saddle Up is a steamy, heartfelt, stand-alone romantic comedy in the Ryker Ranch series. This series includes Saddle Up, Bucked Off, Ridden Hard, and Roped Tight. Each book can stand alone and follows all four of the Ryker brothers. Save a horse, ride a Ryker

*Rain!* Linda Ashman 2013 As an old man grumbles his way through a rainy morning, spreading gloom, his neighbor, a young child, spreads cheer while hopping through puddles in frog-themed rainwear.

**PISA Take the Test Sample Questions from OECD's PISA Assessments** OECD 2009-02-02 This book presents all the publicly available questions from the PISA surveys. Some of these questions were used in the PISA 2000, 2003 and 2006 surveys and others were used in developing and trying out the assessment.

**Sunkissed** Kim Sirrah 2014-03-28 Sunkissed Summary When the man of her dreams fails to make a timely

appearance, Kris Garza is forced to work a nine-to-five job in a Hollywood accounting firm as a payroll specialist. Life in the workplace becomes problematic, as Kris begins dating Ben Draper, a tax attorney for the firm, and the nephew of Stanley Morgan, owner of the company. When co-worker Justin Murdoch, a man she loathes, finds antagonistic, and suffers from OCD tendencies, begins dating her roommate, even in her private life there is no escaping him. Motivated by need for more income, Kris is challenged to advance her career when she discovers Murdoch's talent for making rain, will inevitably advance him to an executive level with the firm. Lofty aspirations combined with her competitive nature, Kris seeks the advice of Caroline Stein, who becomes her mentor and encourages Kris to apply for an Accounts Executive position opening in the company, pitting her against Murdoch for the spot. As car trouble threatens Kris's trip home for a family wedding, Murdoch steps in and saves the day by offering her a ride. Against Ben Draper's wishes, Kris accepts the ride, and after her father invites him into the family home, several margarita's later and a few shots of tequila, Kris wakes the next morning in bed with her roommate's boyfriend, and no recollection of the night's events. This tragic but hilarious tale of love, is what happens when opposites attract and bumble every attempt at trying to hook up. Along the way, Kris learns some valuable lessons about herself before discovering that when you least expect it, love inevitably finds you.

**Love to Hate You** Jo Watson 2018-02-06 The 100,000 copy seller! No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson! 'I've laughed out loud far too many times, until my sides hurt!!' Goodreads reviewer Preorder Jo's hilarious and heartfelt new rom-com, Just The Way I Am, now! Just search: 9781472265586 If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! 'Made me laugh from start to finish' 5 \* reader review 'Such an amazing read!' 5 \* reader review 'Had me laughing, crying and falling in love with the story' 5 \* reader review Sera is usually a good girl. (Except for one wild night in the backseat of a stranger's car!) But what happens when that bad boy turns out to be her new boss? And what happens when he wants more than one night...and he can be very persuasive... For more laugh-out-loud, swoon-worthy hijinks, don't miss Jo's other laugh-out-loud rom-coms: Burning Moon, Almost A Bride, Finding You, After the Rain, The Great Escape and Love You, Love You Not! 'Sparkles from beginning to end. If you love funny romantic stories you really don't want to miss Love to Hate You' With Love For Books 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' Gina's Bookshelf 'It was amazing, it was hilarious' Rachel's Random Reads 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' Hopeless Romantics 'More than just a rom-com, besides the inevitable plenty of laughs it will have you wonder, sigh, hope, and dream' Darkest Sins

**Crystal Whisperer** Camilla Monk 2018-11-20 Sweet Raptor Jesus, this is it! Or maybe not... Perpetually foiled romance heroine Island Chaptal and reformed cleaning expert March —or is it Mr. November?— are enjoying a pleasant break in South-Africa, after brushing death in the inhospitable and platypus-infested mountains of Liechtenstein... That is, until a commercial flight disintegrates over the Atlantic, killing hundreds, and Island's supervillain dad makes the news as the mastermind behind the attack. Old Lion Dries is now on the run, and he calls upon his last ally —and favorite disciple— March. From the streets of Venice to the turquoise waters of French Polynesia, March and Island embark on a deadly race against the clock to find out what secrets lie behind Dries's downfall, and stop the mysterious "Crystal Whisperer" before it's too late. This time, though, there might just be no winning against futuristic weapons, CIA agents, Roomba cats, (reluctantly) evil

henchmen, and dads who won't let you get your groove on, dammit!

**Burning Moon** Jo Watson 2016-08-02 There's a very fine line between blushing bride and mascara-streaked sobbing mess. #beenthere Lilly Swanson has been planning her perfect life since she was twelve years old: Meet Mr. Right, have the big white wedding, buy a house in the burbs, and raise 2.5 picture-perfect kids. However, when her fiancé bails, leaving Lilly alone at the altar to face five hundred gossipy guests, her dream turns into a nightmare. But then Lilly makes an impulsive decision---she ditches the dress, grabs her passport, and heads off to Thailand to spend her honeymoon alone. Or so she thinks . . . Because Lilly quickly learns that everything in Thailand is very hot: the weather, the merchandise, and especially Damien---the sexy, spontaneous man she meets before her feet even hit the sand. Now with no plan, and nothing holding her back, Lilly lets Damien lead her on a wild, unpredictable ride to the world's most exclusive party, Burning Moon. But after a week of letting go, indulging her every impulse and desire, Lilly must go back to the girl she used to be. Or can Damien convince her that their party doesn't have to end? "Top Pick! Almost a Bride put a smile on my face more than once. The dialogue was witty, the words were well-written and the heroine was one-of-a-kind." ---Harlequin Junkie

**Mr. Knightsbridge** Louise Bay 2021-01-14 I'm not a good boyfriend. But I am the most successful jeweler of my generation, a loyal friend and some say the most eligible bachelor in London. I've learned from my past that a beautiful woman will never outshine the precious gems I deal in. Work is both my wife and my mistress. That all changes when I spot Hollie Lumen. With her hand-me-down dress, dazzling smile and green eyes more striking than any emerald I've ever seen, she brings my world to a screeching halt. For the first time in my life, I want to impress a woman. Feisty, funny and ferociously independent, turns out she's unimpressible. Then I find out Hollie's about to fly back home to Oregon because her boss just fired her. She's American. I'm British. She lives in a trailer. I sleep in a penthouse. She sells on Etsy. My first store was on Fifth Avenue. She can't bear secrets. I'm running from what I can't hide. They say opposites attract. Hollie and I combust. I'm going to use all my powers of persuasion to convince her to stay. Mr. Knightsbridge is a stand-alone romance in the Mister Series. For Beck and Stella's story - read Mr. Mayfair For Dexter and Hollie's story - read Mr. Knightsbridge For Gabriel and Autumn's story - read Mr. Smithfield For Joshua and Hartford's story - read Mr. Park Lane What others are saying about Louise Bay: "A fabulous, smouldering love story" Katy Evans, NYT bestselling author "Insanely hot passion, and deliciously naughty and sweet characters. I devoured every page!" -New York Times Bestselling Author Lisa Renee Jones "Delivers both swoon-worthy and wickedly seductive moments that will have you desperate for more." -New York Times Bestselling Author Lisa Renee Jones "This book is deliciously HOT. I loved reading it." Layla Hagen, USA Today bestselling Author "Off the charts sexual tension and chemistry...I ravished every page!" -Audrey Carlan, #1 NYT Bestselling Author "A swoony hero with a British accent and a heroine you will root for. Don't miss this!" Jana Aston, NYT Bestselling Author "Hot sex, great banter, a cocky British boss and one of my favorite heroines to date. This book is a must-read and one of my favorite romances this year!" LJ Shen, USA Today Bestselling Author "Everything that a romance junkie could ever want in a contemporary romance. Once you start, there is not setting this sucker down. An absolute PAGE-TURNER." Shayna's Spicy Reads "Alexander and Violet stole my heart! Their chemistry rolls of the page. Seeing the broody and incredibly hot Brit falling

for Violet made me swoon. If you love hot and romantic reads, then *The British Knight* is a MUST read.” Layla Hagen, USA Today Bestselling Author “A funny, hot, and expertly crafted romance that was a joy to read.” Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews “I loved every page. Red hot scenes, tender moments and the usual roller coaster of emotions Louise loves to instil in her works, that makes her books so exhilarating to read. A perfect 5 star read.” Two Girls and Their Kindle “A hilariously funny and heart wrenching story that will pull at your heartstrings.” Who Gives a Hoot Reviews “Beautifully written with the perfect balance of sugar and spice! Five beautiful stars!” Espresso Reviews “Like a really good rom-com movie except with really hot sex thrown in.” Kitty Kats Crazy about Books “A brilliant read. Full of angst, with bites of humor and lots of steam, it also has a real sweetness about it. Another MUST READ from a really talented storyteller.” Perusing Princesses “An amazing love story.” She’s a Lip Biter “Friends to lovers is a favorite trope of mine and this is right up there with the best of them.” Tanja, KT Book Reviews “Just when I think her books can’t get any better, she writes another one and it outshines the previous ones. This is a sweet and sexy, friends-to-lovers contemporary romance with all the feels -- heartwarming, breathtaking, and sexy all rolled into one interesting and intriguing plot.” Tracey, Goodreads reviewer “If you love a good friends to lovers with a side helping of slow burn, this book is for you. Don’t hesitate, grab it with both hands. Noah and Truly will steal your heart and you will let them gladly.” Unbound Book Reviews \*\*\*\*\* Topics: adult romance books, alpha, alpha hero, alpha male, American romance, British romance, beach reads, best romance, best seller series, books love stories, captivating romance, contemporary, contemporary adult romance, contemporary crush, friends to lovers, friends to lovers romance, contemporary romance, contemporary romance books, contemporary romance fiction, fiction for women, happily ever after, heart-warming, duke royalty, heartwarming, hot, hot guy, hot romance, laugh romance, literary fiction, romance box set, romance box sets, romance boxed set, romance boxed sets, literary romance, literature and fiction, love, love books, love story, modern romance, money, new adult, new adult romance, romance, rich, romance, romance and drama books, romance best seller, romance books, romance contemporary, romance fiction books, romance free, romance love, romance marriage, romance novels for women, romance novels free, sassy, sassy heroine, seduction, seduction romance, sensual, sensual romance, serial, series, sexy book, sexy novel, hot romance, modern romance, urban romance, wealthy, CEO romance, office romance, city romance, sensual romance, something hot to read, sensual romance, edgy romance, sexy romance, something hot to read, sparks, steamy, steamy romance, steamy romance novel, stories, story, strong alpha, female, stories, sensual, sensual romance, alpha male, dominant male, hot guy, racy, strong female lead, strong heroine, swoon, usa today, usa today bestseller, kindle book, contemporary romance, new adult, british hero, sexy british hero, american heroine, sassy american heroine, duke, knight, royal, royalty, royals, wealthy hero, wealthy heroes, sassy, captivating romance, hot, hot romance, forbidden love, sparks, loyalty, office romance, fake fiance, enemies to lovers, billionaire, billionaire romance, holiday, holiday romance, London, scotland, Manhattan, park avenue, british, earl, knightsbridge, mayfair, series, boxset, romance boxset, contemporary romance, contemporary romance box set, contemporary romance series, royals series, royals box set, series boxset, bestselling series, royal romance, duke romance, King, duke, earl, prince, knight, New York, International, Billionaire, millionaire, geek to gorgeous. Perfect for the fans of Vi Keeland, Corinne Michaels, Kendall Ryan, Tijan, Piper Rayne, Lexy Timms, Josie Silver, Robyn Carr, Beth O’leary, Natasha Madison, Laurelin Paige, Kate Aster, Elle Kennedy, Kennedy Fox, Layla Hagen, Helen Hardt, Meredith Wild, J.S. Scott, Nana Malone, T.L. Swan, Carrie Ann Ryan, Julia Quinn, LJ

Shen, Layla Hagen, Penelope Ward, Kristen Proby, Tijan, Ilsa Madden-Mills, Emma Chase, Melanie Harlow, Carly Phillips, Emily Henry, Christina Lauren, and Lauren Blakely

*After the Rain* Jo Watson 2018-06-19 From the author of the 100,000 copy-selling rom-com, *Love to Hate You!* No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson! 'Jo Watson's writing puts you in a better mood. Brilliant' Goodreads reviewer Preorder Jo's uplifting new rom-com, *Truly, Madly, Like Me*, now! Just search: 9781472265555 If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! Some opposites attract; some rip each other's clothes off. Stormy-Rain and Marcus could not be more different: she's a free-spirited, rainbow-haired hippie; he wears a suit and over-shines his already too-shiny shoes. She believes in auras; he's governed by logic and doesn't believe in Fate. But Fate believes in them... So what happens when their worlds collide - and they are forced to embark on an epic road trip to catch a plane to a wedding on the other side of the world? The clock is ticking...and they're seriously ticking each other off. But Stormy and Marcus are about to discover just how thin the line between love and hate really is. Don't miss Jo's laugh-out-loud rom-coms, *Love You*, *Love You Not*, *Love to Hate You*, *Burning Moon*, *Almost A Bride*, *Finding You*, *After the Rain* and *The Great Ex-scape*. Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson: 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' Gina's Bookshelf 'It was amazing, it was hilarious' Rachel's Random Reads 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' *Hopeless Romantics*

**Beware of Geeks Bearing Gifts** Charlie Cochet 2020-04-07 Julian "Quinn" Quintero, a gruff, tough Miami SWAT officer, has been injured on the job, and all he's looking for is a little peace and quiet to recover-difficult to achieve with his large Cuban family. An adventure in picking up his prescriptions puts him in the path of his geeky, brownie-baking neighbor, Spencer Morgan. Spencer sweeps into Quinn's life like a tropical storm of sunshine and rainbows. Not surprisingly, it's chaos at first sight. Quinn's in need of a little tender loving care, and Spencer decides he's just the man for the job. Their very different lives might clash, but they might also find some common ground-and maybe more.

*Carrie Pilby* Caren Lissner 2010-07-01 NOW STREAMING ON NETFLIX! "Hilarious" — New York Times Teen Genius (and Hermit) Carrie Pilby's To-Do List: 1. List 10 things you love (and do them!) 2. Join a club (and talk to people!) 3. Go on a date (with someone you actually like!) 4. Tell someone you care (your therapist doesn't count!) 5. Celebrate New Year's (with other people!) Seriously? Carrie would rather stay in bed than deal with the immoral, sex-obsessed hypocrites who seem to overrun her hometown, New York City. She's sick of trying to be like everybody else. She isn't! But when her own therapist gives her a five-point plan to change her social-outcast status, Carrie takes a hard look at herself—and agrees to try. Suddenly the world doesn't seem so bad. But is prodigy Carrie willing to dumb things down just to fit in?

*Paper Towns* John Green 2013 Special edition slipcase edition of John Green's *Paper Towns*, with pop-up paper town. From the bestselling author of *The Fault in our Stars*. Quentin Jacobsen has always loved Margo Roth Spiegelman, for Margo (and her adventures) are the stuff of legend at their high school. So when she one day climbs through his window and summons him on an all-night road trip of revenge he cannot help but follow. But the next day Margo doesn't come to school and a week later she is still missing. Q soon learns that

there are clues in her disappearance . . . and they are for him. But as he gets deeper into the mystery - culminating in another awesome road trip across America - he becomes less sure of who and what he is looking for. Masterfully written by John Green, this is a thoughtful, insightful and hilarious coming-of-age story.

*Big Boned* Jo Watson 2021-09-21 Can she be herself in a one-size-fits-all world? Lori Palmer is the new girl at Bay Water High, where students prize glossy hair, “beach” bodies, and thigh gaps above all else, which is so not her. She misses her old school, where her artistic talent was more important to her peers than a chia smoothie recipe ever was. Uncomfortable in her own size-sixteen skin, Lori decides to survive senior year as best she can by blending into the background while she melts in the summer heat. But her plans go completely awry when she discovers popular jock Jake volunteering at her brother Zac’s school. When her brother befriends Jake’s sister, Lori is suddenly thrust into Jake’s unfamiliar world of water polo, parties, and stargazing. As she grows closer to Jake, and her relationship with her mother starts to deteriorate, Lori’s old anxieties resurface and she throws herself into her art. It’s a wildly new direction for Lori, and through it she realizes that finding her voice might get her into a world of trouble, but standing up for what she believes in is as important as standing up for herself.

Partner Pursuit Kathy Strobos 2021-10-18 When a workaholic lawyer meets a fun-loving music marketing executive for opposites attract, friends-to-lovers adventures, which partnership will she choose? Workaholic lawyer Audrey Willems is not going to take any chances with her bid to become a partner at her New York law firm—especially with only six months until the decision. Until she bumps into Jake—her new neighbor. Jake is a fun-loving music marketing executive who might just be The One. He’s funny, caring, supportive—and able to kill water bugs in the bathroom. But Jake will never date a woman married to her job. His father was a workaholic lawyer who never had time for family. And she’s just got the case of a lifetime—the one she needs to win to make partner. Working 24/7 at the office may not even be enough hours to pull off a victory. If only she had not met him now. Audrey is determined to prove that she can juggle work and romance—even if managing court cases, candlelit dinners, and bike rides around Manhattan is a lot harder than it looks. She keeps canceling dates for yet another case crisis. But when making partner is like a game of musical chairs and the last seat is a business-class alone, which partnership will she choose?

**Opposites Attract** Sapphire Knight 2020-04-28 Ripper I'm a Royal b\*stard through and through. Being Prez has been my life and seeing anything other than the club isn't on my to-do list. To my surprise, a sexy diamond appears out of the blue and I can't seem to stay away or keep my hands to myself. The perfect gem is mine, I know it and so does she. I'll do whatever I have to, so I can keep her. I'm a b\*stard after all, and b\*stards always break the rules. -MC romance with a brand new club, characters, and storyline. -Complete standalone that does not need any other books read prior. -Steamy romantic suspense full of action, alpha bad boys, and strong women.

**The Right Player** Kandi Steiner 2020-09-14 From bestselling author Kandi Steiner comes a sexy, hilarious, opposites-attract sports romance set in the lively city of Chicago... I have a three date rule - but it's not what

you think. See, I've been told I'm the "good time girl," not the one you take home to Mom. And while that label stung at first, I've since embraced it - living the wild and free life and sticking to a three date max. That's just enough time to have some fun and snuff out the possibility of catching feelings. And it's been working for me for years... Until Makoa Kumaka. Sadly, he also has a three date rule - and it's the exact opposite of mine. From the second I meet him, all I can think about is stripping down that six-foot-five Herculean hunk of a man. But like the gentleman I wish he wasn't, he's making me wait. The more time we spend together, the more I feel those pesky emotions creeping in. I'm even tempted to trust him, but blame it on my past or my instincts, I can't shake the feeling that he's hiding something... I've been playing the game forever, and no man has ever won my heart - which meant they never had the power to break it. But maybe I just hadn't met the right player. Maybe I'll wish I never did. *The Right Player* is a sexy, fun sports romance set in Chicago and packed with humor and heat!

**The Glass Castle** Jeannette Walls 2006-01-02 Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children's imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn't stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. -- From publisher description.