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Morgan Lane has just completed grad school, and has accepted a job at Baylor Industries with the help of her father, who just so happens to be golf buddies with Drake Baylor Sr., CEO. Morgan has lived her 24 years of life under her parents thumbs, and is more than eager to start living life and carving successful career for herself.

Drake Baylor Jr. is being groomed to take over as CEO of Baylor Industries upon his father's retirement. Although he was raised in an affluent household, his formative years were rough, leading to a string of bad decisions, and hard lived years. In order to take over as CEO, his father has given him a set of rules to live by for an indefinite period of time: No drugs, limited alcohol consumption, and absolutely no relationships whatsoever with women-his greatest weakness. If Drake can abstain from those three things, work hard, and gain his father's trust, he can have the keys to the Kingdom. Drake meets Morgan on her first day at Baylor Industries, and the phrase "love at first sight" doesn't even come close to describing what is felt between them. Their instant attraction is a magnetic pull that is stronger than either one of them can handle. Now Drake and Morgan are faced with figuring out how to fight for their future together, hoping not to get caught "Breaking the Rules".

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Jessica Figueroa says

With the help of her father Morgan was able to land a great job at Baylor Industries. Drake had a past and is working on redeeming his self. Drake just has to follow some simple rules: No drugs, limited drinking and especially no women. Simple enough right? Wrong. Morgan and Drake's connection was instantaneous and Drake has to fight hard to keep his feelings at bay. When that doesn't work they decided to keep their relationship hidden, but will his secrets stay secret for long?

I enjoyed this book. But, the whole instant connection was cheesy. I feel like their relationship was just rushed. They fell too hard and fast that it was too hard for me to believe. Then again I gotta remind myself when it comes to books that thats all they are, books not real life. Other then that I loved the connection even if it was cheesy. I liked Morgan was a women who came from money and rather then expecting a man to take care of her she decided to get her education and get a great job to take care of herself. I liked that she says what's on her mind no matter the risk. I had a love hate relationship with Drake his hot and cold moodswings I hates, I was trying to be a bit understanding but it was hard to. I feel that they risked too much for a relationship that seems more like Lust than love. Overall I enjoyed this quick and steamy read and I can't wait to see what happens next. 4 of 5 stars.

April says

Received a copy from the Author through ATOMR tours for an honest review

I received this for tour. Thanks to the Author and AToMR tours. I ended up not reviewing it for the tour. I thought from the description that I would really like it. It was not what I expected at all. I expected a build up of sexual tension in the work place with that whole forbidden romance that grows into something meaningful.

Nope. After a few days they are fucking like bunnies and calling it love because what else could it be? Hmmm. no thank you.

I pushed through it though, hoping that maybe my mind would change as the story moved forward, but it didn't. He was an asshole and she ate it up like the naïve twat she is. It was like Christian and Anna all over again minus the butt plugs.

The ending was a no ending because this is apparently book one. There wasn't even any kind of resolution. It felt like there wasn't a story at all. bleh. Definitely won't be continuing this series and I wouldn't recommend it to anyone.

Samantha ? Sam's Book Basket says

2.5 – 3 STARS

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It was the love-at-first-sight kind of romance with an excellent, independent heroine and an ending that left me over the edge. If you love those cheesy clichés and the guy fucking up, this is the book for you. Although, honestly, it's not my favorite book at all this year. The lines between love and lust are blurred here and the characters can't see past that. Much too fast-paced for my liking.

Elissa says

This book I was really intrigued with the synopsis and was hoping for the best. I like the concept of a relationship start out bad because of being co-workers and I see the book has potential. I just don't like that they were saying they love each other after less than a week together. I would of totally would of been on board with them lusting after each instantly and going through an up and down relationship and then realizing they have always loved each other from the beginning but that didn't happened. This book I hate say but me in a reading slump and it was hard for me to get through and I didn't want to really pick anything else because I was determined on finishing it. I will say the way it ended has me wanting to pick up book 2 (since the author did give me book 2) but I'm afraid I'll ended up in another slump and there are so many books that came out in August that I want to get to.

Pat says

WHILE READING

I just don't know why I read this. I really hate it when people don't know the difference between love and lust. Isn't love-at-first-sight considered as LUST, sometimes? Sometimes, I don't even know if I'm still reading the same book after each chapter. The constant change of voices from Morgan to Drake makes me ill.

Morgan is clearly lusting over Drake. And Drake is clearly lusting over Morgan. But when they were able to get a hold of each other. Drake was like I HAVE NEVER FELT THIS WAY BEFORE I THINK I LOVE YOU.

The immaturity of both characters made me put this book in my BURN BOOK. And also, it's so unrealistic.
#JustSayin

?lkim says

Bir hayli saçmayd?, açt?m sonunu da okudum, arada o kadar sayfa ne anlatm?? gereksiz bilemedim. Sonu da t?rt, okumay?n k?sacas?.

Beatrix says

The ending was like that, then the next installment will be about Adrian?? Part 2 for their story soon please!!!

AnnCleire says

Real vote 3,5

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“Breaking the Rules” è uno di quei libri che ho deciso di leggere dopo aver partecipato al cover reveal quest'estate e per cui mi sono detta “Quando esce lo devo leggere”. Poi in effetti mi è arrivata la grossa occasione da AToMR Tours di partecipare al blog tour e non mi sono certo fatta scappare l'occasione di partecipare. E ora eccomi a presentare una romance che non ha molto bisogno di presentazioni e che sono certa incanterà anche voi.

Morgan Lane ha completato i suoi studi e ha accettato un lavoro alla Baylor Industries con l'aiuto del padre, che va a golf insieme a Drake Baylor Senior, il CEO della società. Morgan ha vissuto i 24 anni della sua vita sotto l'impronta dei genitori e ora è più che desiderosa di iniziare a vivere la sua vita costruendo una carriera di successo da sola.

Drake Baylor Junior è stato cresciuto per prendere il posto del padre come CEO della società quando il padre andrà in pensione. Sebbene sia stato cresciuto in una casa affluente, i suoi anni formativi sono stati duri e lo hanno portato ad una serie di decisioni sbagliate, e anni vissuti duramente. Per prendere il controllo della società, il padre gli ha dato una lista di regole da rispettare per un tempo indefinito: niente droghe, un consumo di alcool limitato e assolutamente nessuna relazione con le donne – una delle sue debolezze. Se Drake può astenersi da queste tre cose, lavorare duramente e guadagnare la fiducia del padre, può avere le chiavi del Regno. Drake incontra Morgan il suo primo giorno alle Baylor Industries, e la frase “amore a prima vista” non riesce a descrivere appieno quello che provano l'uno per l'altra. La loro attrazione istantanea è una spinta magnetica più forte di qualunque cosa possano gestire. Ora Drake e Morgan devono affrontare un modo per combattere per il loro futuro insieme, sperando di non essere catturati nell'”infrangere le regole”.

Quando ho iniziato a leggere questo libro sapevo già cosa mi sarei trovata davanti, non avevo dubbi in merito a quello che mi sarei trovata davanti. Chi mi segue da un po' di tempo sa che io sono una cultrice della romance, che non perdo occasione per leggerne una e che indefinitiva se non ci sono due che ad un certo momento si sbaciucchiano perdo un po' del mio entusiasmo. Sono un'inguaribile romantica e indefinitiva non ci metto molto ad entrare in un libro in cui i due si conoscono e si mettono insieme. Ma sono rimasta leggermente di stucco, quando dopo appena qualche capitolo i due sono finiti a dichiararsi amore imperituro e si conoscono da un paio di settimane. Morgan e Drake si ritrovano uniti da un'innegabile attrazione, ma questa non può diventare improvvisamente qualcosa di più. Il pizzico di irrealtà che percorre la vicenda mi ha lasciato un po' incapace di immergermi appieno nella vicenda, che resta molto emozionante e mi ha impedito di godermela appieno. Per il resto è la classica romance, un libro che si adatta appieno alla terminologia delle contemporary, con un tocco di chick-lit quella che va tanto di moda in questo periodo. C'è lei, dalla capigliatura bionda che vuole essere presa sul serio, che si impegna seriamente a conquistarsi una laurea per sfondare nel marketing e costruirsi una carriera da sola, per sé stessa e non fare la mantenuta come le imporrebbe la madre e la sua condizione economica. E poi c'è lui, bello e impossibile, con playboy scritto in faccia, con il corpo da modello, livellato dalla palestra, ma che poi si perde in un mare di comportamenti sbagliati, perché in fondo se hai i mezzi puoi fare quello che vuoi. E poi si sa che le cose proibite divengono ancora più allettanti quando non possiamo averle. Raccontato a doppia voce, a passi alternati, il libro vola via, veloce come il vento e si assiste al prorompente incontro tra i due nell'ufficio di Drake e velocemente si assiste al loro unirsi. Prima fisicamente e poi trovare una connessione, connessione che viene continuamente ostacolata da circostanze avverse che impediscono ai due di conoscersi come vorrebbero e di costruire una storia basata su basi durature e solide. E mentre Drake veste la maschera dello stronzo per proteggersi e tenere lontana Morgan che rischia di mandare a monte i suoi piani per accontentare il padre, la ragazza si nasconde dietro la sua professionalità e la voglia, sempre più preponderante di ottenere ciò che vuole. Il loro continuo tira e molla, fa aumentare la tensione sessuale e le gelosie, ripetute e corrette aggiungono un fascino tutto speciale alla vicenda. Pur essendoci alcuni personaggi secondari, tutta la vicenda ruota intorno ai due protagonisti che pure riempiono la pagina e non permettono di vedere altro. La loro vicenda diventa preponderante e assolutamente imperdibile.

Non voglio aggiungere altro per evitare spoilers e perché in fondo, una romance è tutta da vivere.

Il particolare da non dimenticare? Un cicchetto di rum...

Uscito il 17 settembre il libro è assolutamente irresistibile e vi invito ad andare a seguire il resto del Blog Tour che trovate qui. Romantico, passionale e con un tocco di follia, questo è il libro giusto da leggere in una sera tempestosa, quando si ha voglia di una storia melassosa che chiude un occhio a scene passionali da dividere in un letto.

Buona lettura guys!

Ringrazio infinitamente AToMR Tours per avermi permesso di partecipare a questo blog tour e di avermi fatto leggere il libro in anteprima in cambio della mia onesta opinione. Grazie.

Casey says

Review originally posted at [Ramblings From This Chick](#)

Breaking the Rules is the debut novel from L.K. Lewis. I was really looking forward to this one after reading

the blurb and I loved the cover! This book was different than I was expecting though, and while there were things that I liked there was a lot that left me with mixed feelings. This book had a lot of potential, and I think it could be really great with some work. It has the makings of a great story, and Morgan and Drake kept me interested enough to keep reading. But the writing style of the author took some getting used to, and wasn't one that I clicked with.

Morgan Lane has just finished grad school and gets a job at Baylor Industries with the help of her father. Her father is golf buddies with the owner and CEO of the company. On Morgan's first day she is surprised to find the son of the owner instead of the CEO at her meeting. Morgan and Drake Baylor Jr. are instantly drawn to each other and share an intense attraction to the other. But Drake has been given a set of rules by his father in order to work at the company after his past. Drake intends to push Morgan away and keep things to a minimum and only professional. He cleaned up his act and doesn't want anything to interfere with the second chance his father has given him. But the more Drake and Morgan are around each other the harder he finds it to stay away from her. Morgan is interested in Drake, but doesn't understand his hot and cold attitude and can't figure out why he reacts the way he does to her. When Drake finds it impossible to stay away any longer, he comes clean with Morgan and tells her that he is not allowed to date anyone or have a relationship of any type until his father retires and he becomes CEO. Morgan and Drake are willing to fight for each other though, and decide to wait it out by seeing each other secretly. But will they be able to keep things hidden between them when they can't help but be drawn to each other?

I liked Drake and Morgan. They were both smart and hard working. They were both open and honest. I liked that they both weren't afraid to lay everything on the line for their relationship and the fact that they had no problem really telling the other how they were feeling. They were drawn to each other from the beginning and you could tell that they were extremely attracted to each other. That being said though, their relationship was a huge case of insta-love and I had trouble believing that they were as madly in love with each other as they claimed. It was extremely fast, and it was more physical than anything. They didn't know each other at all basically, and yet somehow they just knew that they were meant to be. It felt more like lust than anything to me. But once I got over that, and saw them together more I could tell that they were good together. Their feelings seemed to become more real as the story went on and I really believe that at the end their relationship was more than just physical. I just wish that things wouldn't have been so rushed between them.

I also felt like because of the author's writing style and the way that the chapters were written, this book was really choppy to me. It didn't flow as well as I would have liked, and I felt like the transitions needed work. The chapters were really short and switched back and forth between POVs pretty randomly. I will admit that while I liked getting both Drake and Morgan's POVs, I felt like the way that it was done really drew me out of the story and caused me to lose interest at points. I liked Drake and Morgan though, and I feel like their story is a good one despite the problems I had. I was curious to see how everything would play out and I will be interested to see what happens for them in the next book. There is a second book and things are left up in the air at the end of this story, so it will be interesting to see what happens next. I also hope to see more of Morgan's best friend! I loved her character. While I loved her character, I really hated Drake's dad and Adrian. I know a lot of people will probably really like Adrian, but I have to admit that he rubbed me wrong from the start and he seemed to be up to something. I knew he was still interested in Morgan and I figured he would try to come between her and Drake. He just seemed really shady. Drake's dad was so different than he seems at first, and I honestly don't understand why he is the way he is. His actions at the end of this book really confused me, and I really hope that he gets what's coming to him. I think that this series has promise, and even with my criticisms I would still recommend reading this one. If you not a fan of insta-love though, this one might not be for you. I look forward to reading the next book in this series and can't wait to see where L.K. Lewis takes these characters in the future.

Crina (Reading Addict) says

I received the book for a honest review! Thanks!:) Original post on <http://nervidetoamna.blogspot.ro/> .

I know this books don't seem too original, but I liked it. It was a nice read, easy to go through and there were a few things that made me to like it this much. It's not the first book I read when the girl get a job in a company and fall in love with his boss, but this is different.

Why?

Because of the characters. Morgan isn't the girl that fall in love and loses her head, and even she likes Drake and she's attracted to him, she's not making her look desperate. Morgan wants to keep her job, to be independent and I liked her, she's a nice one. Drake is the guy who has a bad past, bla bla, everyone know the story. But I liked that in this book, even the past counts, is not told in a way that need to sound bad and scary. Purely he has wrongs, he has his motives, he was paying for his wrongs, end of story.

I liked that even the attraction between them is strong, they don't try to stay together every day and every single hour, they keep going out with their friends, going at work separately. It was nice to see how they are together, how they are separate and how theirs lives change. And I think it was a good thing, at first a little bit confusing for me, that the story is told from both point of view. The love is there, it was a nice love story, romantic and a little bit sad, but just a little, and I think it was more real because even they are so in love they don't try to say it out loud. They were happy spending time together, in their „home”, sometimes having discussions, because what couple haven't, kissing and other cute and sweet things.

Another thing that I liked about this book is that is not a love triangle, or I wasn't paying attention. I mean ok, it appears another man, but wasn't trying to put accent on it. The two things that I disliked were Drake's dad, he's an *insert words here* and Adrian, I mean how can you tell that in front of... stupid jealous guy. Stupid.

So, to end this review, I want to say that it was a nice, light, romantic read, with nice characters, a nice written story, and the accent is put on feelings and emotios and not just sex. That is important, or for me is. But yes, it have scenes too, don't worry;)). Now I can't wait to read the next one, because I want to know what happens...

Lisa says

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DNF

1 Kiss

I hate it when I can't mesh with a book. I don't care what the specifics are that stop me from just diving

straight into the characters and living in their world, but...unfortunately not every book is for every reader. I don't like thinking that and I don't like it when it happens to me...but it just did. Boo. :-)

I loved the premise of *Breaking the Rules*...the 'we shouldn't be doing this' aspect. I guess cause I'm a sucker for a good rebel – break those rules! Cause I just can't get enough of that kind of stuff! It's that forbidden aspect that draws me in...it's just so hot. And do not get me wrong, there were parts of this book that were hot. That's another reason why I hate saying that I had to DNF it.

I think my major disconnect was the writing. I'm an emotional reader and if you get me emotionally invested into the characters, I. Am. Sold. Hook line and sinker, I can forgive **A LOT** if you get me with my emotions. I'm a sucker like that...I can't help it, I'm easy. But I digress. For me, Morgan and Drake were very flat. Except when it came to their attraction for each other...that I had *zero* questions about. But...I need more than that.

There were a lot of times when I was raising my eyebrow wondering why certain things were brought up at certain points...she focused more on her office and what was or wasn't in her office than say...her relationship with her best friend who was honestly dropped in the story kind of out of left field for me. I guess the writing was just missing that flow...every author has a different style, and I just couldn't connect with this one. There were a couple of other things that broke the flow for me...one was the editing...I hate feeling like a grammar nazi, cause I'm not – but if I can notice it, I don't think that's a good sign. And it was enough that that too was breaking the my focus on the story.

The other thing was the chapters and the way things were pieced together. The chapters were very short, almost too short. I feel like some of the chapters could have been combined and substituted with scene breaks, but I wonder if the reason for the chapters being split like they were was because we were bouncing from two different POV's and maybe that's where the logic was? Not sure...also, and this ties in with the POV's...there was a lot of redundancy. I hate being told the same thing over and over again within the span of a couple chapters. I mean half way thru the book, I could deal with it...but repetitiveness in general (not just in books) is a pet peeve of mine. There was backtracking which in the right context, I am okay with...most of the time in *Breaking the Rules* it felt unnecessary.

There was so much potential for Drake and Morgan...I really did like their connection – I liked that Drake was really doing a good job of *trying* to fight his attraction to Morgan...but that was all it was for me. There is a part where he talks to Morgan about his feelings and he even says they haven't had a conversation outside of work...it just all seemed too rushed. At that point they hadn't even known each other for more than two weeks...logically, it wasn't working for me. And I can't stress how much that sucks, because trust me...their physical attraction was pretty hot. I hate giving anything less than 3 kisses...but I have to be honest, even if it means being critical.

Paula Phillips says

Imagine coming from a wealthy family and having everything handed to you on a silver platter , unlike what we hardworking people believe, having everything handed to you on a silver platter isn't necessarily a good

thing as more often than not , what you do and how you go about it has ties attached and often severe consequences can follow. For Drake Baylor Jnr, he is in line for the CEO position of his father's company if only he can follow the rules which include no drugs, no alcohol and partying and no dating co-workers. At this stage he has it down to an art form, that is until his father's friends daughter Morgan Lane starts a job as an Account Executive - another one whose life has things handed to her, though she is determined to prove to those that she isn't another trust fund kid who has had everything handed to her - she wants to prove to the world that she deserves this position and will do anything to keep it that way. Can Morgan and Drake follow the rules or will they find themselves slipping into temptation and along the way breaking a few of the rules and in term jepoardise their working records and future plans ?

Find out in "Breaking the Rules" - Book #1 in the BTR Series by L.K Lewis.

Amanda D'souza says

I got bored at some point and could not bring myself to finish it! *sigh*

Laura Greenwood says

Review forthcoming on <http://a-reader-lives-a-thousand-live...>

I received a copy of Breaking the Rules in exchange for my review.

When Morgan starts her first ever job at Baylor industries the last thing she expects is that handsome boss, Drake Baylor Jr, will come into her life and sweep her off her feet. Drake has been set certain rules by his father that he has to follow in order to keep his job; no drugs, no drink and no women. But the connection between Drake and Morgan is undeniable, so much so that they decide to break the rules well and truly and have a secret relationship.

I really enjoyed the start of this book, and the ending (and by that I'm meaning the beginning and end third). The only problem really was that middle bit, around where Drake and Morgan are getting together. It just seemed as if the pair of them were very wordy about their feelings to the extent where it was almost unbelievable. Though once they were over that stage it settled down and I went back to enjoying the romance.

Morgan was an interesting character. She had been groomed her whole life to become a trophy wife and didn't actually want to conform, instead wanting her own career. There were actually several moments where I couldn't help but think "GO Morgan" because she stood up to someone about something she cared about. And that even included standing up to Drake.

Though their relationship was a bit wordy there was one major positive to it that I loved, and wished more romance authors took into account. This really was a relationship of two equals. I'm not talking about money so much, though they did decide that both of their careers were important, but it was the little things like Drake wasn't the only one doing things for Morgan, she did things for him to (and I'm not talking about sex there). It was both refreshing and realistic.

Though I was a bit iffy on the middle portion, I am actually really excited to read the next book, *Bending the Rules*, particularly after the ending of *Breaking the Rules*. I can't really explain why that is! Maybe I will after reading it!

Michelle says

Breaking the Rules is a pure romance story. The romance is the driving factor and it completely overshadows everything else. Sure, it has great characters with interesting back stories, but it is first and foremost about the romance. Morgan and Drake fall in love at first sight basically. They both try and stay away from each other because they work together. Morgan is trying to prove herself at a new job and Drake has a deal with his dad. But they can't stay away from each other for long, and so starts their pretty epic romance...in secret.

I liked how smart and savvy Morgan was when it came to her job. She put a career first, and even though she comes from a well off family and is a beautiful girl, she doesn't just want to rest on her family money and become a wife. She wants to be a business woman. I liked her go-getter attitude when it came to her job. She even could be a little sassy. When I saw her inner spitfire on her first day with Drake in the parking garage, I knew that I was going to like her. But then, along the way she fell in love with Drake and I felt like a little bit of that spunk and spirit that I loved in her died. She put up with a lot of kind of jerk moves from him. She kind of just rolled over. Eventually she got her spirit back, but I was annoyed with her a few times in the middle of the story.

And Drake had his moments of annoyance too. On one hand, I really liked and respected how much he turned his life around. You could tell that this job was important to him and that he really wanted to put his past behind him, but he was all kinds of misleading to Morgan when he first met her. He was hot and he was cold, he was up and he was down. I had no idea how she put up with him. But once they got past that initial week of confusion, they seemed to be pretty hot and heavy. They were always with each other outside of work and their romance was intense. Adorable and cheesy. Very cheesy. It was insta-love and it was over the top mushy, but they both acknowledged that it was. They knew that they fell in love way too quickly and that they didn't really know all that much about each other, but what I liked about *Breaking the Rules* was that even know it was love at first sight, a good deal of the book was spent with them getting to know each other.

I really liked how sweet and "true-love" like their romance seemed to be. Fans of cheesy and sappy romances will absolutely eat this book up. And I like cheesy. I really do, but some parts of this book were even too much for me. If Drake said that he wanted to go out of his way to pamper Morgan, I may have gagged. But even with the cheesiness aside, their romance was pretty beautiful. There is no way that anyone could look at them and not know that they were totally crazy about each other. Their story was cute, but I kept waiting for the other shoe to drop. For something to happen, because everything seemed too perfect, just a little too good to be true. I wanted some conflict! And I finally got it at the end of the book. I actually loved the ending. Probably because I had been waiting for conflict for so long. And it set up the second book perfectly. *Breaking the Rules* will be a great read for fans that like their romance a little on the lovey-dovey side.
