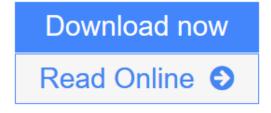


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Just because Piper's birthday is on Valentine's Day does not mean she's a romantic. In fact, after watching her father and then her stepfather leave, she's pretty sure she doesn't believe in love at all. Then her friends concoct a plan to find them all Valentine's dates, and somehow Piper finds herself with the most popular guy in school. But true love never follows a plan, and a string of heartfelt gifts from a secret admirer has Piper wondering if she might be with the wrong guy.

In this heartwarming romance, true love is more than a maybe - and it might be closer than you think.

# Love? Maybe Details

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# **Adrienne** says

It was light and fluffy but not fun and romantic. It's not the kind of story that I'll be rereading when Happy Hearts' Day comes around - it was sorely lacking in the romance department. The main character was as interesting as a piece of cardboard. Her "secret admirer" wasn't much of a secret, rather, he was as transparent as formaldehyde. And the storyline was capital P-R-E-D-I-C-T-A-B-L-E.

A part of me died from the boredom.

The author might've been trying to deliver an enlightening message here about true, unconditional love... but eh, it just entered one ear and went out the other. I can see others finding this book and loving it, but as for me I wouldn't classify it under cutesy teen-romance.

# **Liz Barrios says**

This book is really good it's about how a girl doesn't like valentines and how everything that happens on that day is dumb

# Jessica says

a fast, cute read. the characters were diverse, Piper's younger siblings were fun, but I could have done with a little less of Piper's friend Jillian.

# Keert says

4.5

# Joella www.cinjoella.com says

Piper was born on Valentine's Day. She used to love the holiday and her birthday, but since the second divorces of her mother...not so much. She just doesn't believe that real love actually could exist. All she has to do is take a look at how her mother is still in love with her ex husband even though he has moved on and has another girlfriend. Or how about how one of her best friends who just got dumped by her boyfriend of the past year. If she still thinks love is possible she just needs to look next door to see how awful the boy next door feels about the recent divorce of his parents. Even if there is some small hope for love, she can always look at her boss who is yet another single person who blindly believes in love.

But Piper's friends don't want to give up on love. And they don't want Piper to either. So there is a plan for to get all three of them boyfriends in the next two weeks, before Valentine's Day. Piper does not want to go along with it but will if it makes her friends happy (especially the one who just got dumped). So she is doing all sorts of things she doesn't want to do, all in the name of love. To top it all off she is still trying to juggle swim meets, her job at the candy store (which is super busy just before Valentine's Day), watching her younger brother and sister (who are crazy hyper) while her mother is trying to support them with her floral business (which is even more busy since it is almost Valentine's Day).

Then, to top it all off Piper starts to receive gifts from a secret admirer and starts to potentially date the main heartthrob of her school. Now she starts to wonder if there is such a thing as love and what does it really mean?

Okay, I loved this book. And basically there are a few reasons why. Most of it has to do with the fact that I think this book really understands what my view of love is. And it also understands what my view of how a high school girl should act when in love. That being said, if you think you like my ideas of love and you like happy, Valentine's Day type love stories that are clean and stars a girl who doesn't really love chocolate...just go read it. If you need to hear more about why I like this book, read on. Only beware that I will have a few spoilers below!

\*\*\*SPOILERS\*\*\*

Okay. So here is the dirt as to why I like this book. She is in high school. She has been hurt by love before. She had two dads who walked out on her family. Life is hard. She knows that, but it is harder when you feel rejected. Also, when she first starts to date Ben (or any of the other guys mentioned that she dated before the story) she found that she thought they were "nice" but that they weren't "the one". Why weren't they Mr. Right? Because she didn't have enough to talk to them about. Because they didn't have enough in common. Because she thought there should be more to love than just that tingly feeling you look at someone you think is cute. I like that. When she does get together with Charlie the things that she admires about him are that he knows her (he knew that she would like a secret admirer gift that was a banana without any brown spots or a jar of peanut butter with a plastic spoon). And at the end when they end up together, she admits that she is still very scared of their new relationship.

"I'm still scared...What if you leave?"

"What if I don't?"

And that is pretty much where we leave off. No kiss. No hanky panky. No love equals something rated more than PG. Just a girl being completely honest with the guy she likes about how vulnerable she feels. She is handing him her heart. There are no promises about loving each other forever. (They are still in high school after all.) But instead is the realization that perhaps love can see all of you (the sick you, the happy you, the depressed you, the stressed you, the cute you, the annoying you, the busy you, the grumpy you, the hurt you, the best-friend you, the amazing you). And that if someone can see all of you, and you still want to be with you, and you still think the world of that person even when you see all the dark sides of him, then perhaps

#### Sarah says

3.5/5 stars. I liked it. Took me awhile to get into it and it was predictable but overall it was good.

#### **Tiffany says**

The best part about this book was that it was clean!! It is hard to find clean teen books. It was thought provoking in a lot of ways. The main character is having to deal with her mother's two divorces and her half brother and sister. I don't like how it implies you have to have a boyfriend but books like this also show a lot about how unhealthy a lot of teen relationships really are.

#### ??Hannah?? says

This was a decent read. I will admit it was nothing special. I can definitely see why the MC had trouble wanting to find love. With that kind of drama I wouldn't either. Thankfully by the end she was able to change her mind.

# Abbie says

It was a cute story but I think it was made for a younger audience. I mean I like wholesome books but this was too wholesome --- to the point of becoming boring.

Piper Paisley is a typical love and romance cynic as the result of her mother's two failed relationship. It also doesn't help that her birthday is on Valentine's day and that she works at a chocolate shop. Her friends Claire and Jillian want to cure her of her indifference and set up a plan to use a love potion to get them dates.

Predictably, Piper's crush on swimmer hottie Ben Donovan leads to nowhere because they don't have chemistry. But she continues to receive sweet tokens and treats from a secret admirer. It is revealed to be from her long time best friend Charlie. He gives her hope that love is possible in her life.

Sigh. It was well-written and sweet. But I didn't like Piper very much. She was just so drab. Just because she didn't buy into love and Valentine's didn't mean she had to be boring. Her personality was flat and I wished she would've been more interesting.

But anyone who likes cute love stories will definitely enjoy this book.

# Brittany (Hiatus-On/Off) says

Relatable and more enjoyable than I thought it would be. I was happily surprised! ;-) <3 More of a review to come.

# Ally says

Utterly cute

#### Mesa says

After reading The Cupcake Queen, I knew I had to get my hands on a copy of Heather Hepler's new book. Lucky for me I didn't have to wait long time.

I loved this book.

Piper doesn't believe in love. Why would she? Two of the men in her life she trusted the most left her behind. First, her father, and then her stepfather. It doesn't seem to help that her birthday is on Valentine's Day either.

Piper is a strong main character. She is kind, sweet, caring and sometimes stubborn. I loved Piper. She takes care of her little brother and sister when her mother had to work. It was really refreshing to read about a girl who hates Valentine's Day because most teenager girls love Valentine's Day.

Although Piper stood out for me, I loved all characters in this book. They have different personalities, and they are fun to read about. One of the characters I just loved, loved, loved is Charlie. He had a lot of things going on in his life but he wanted Piper to have the best time on her birthday and for her to believe in love again (because she used to believe in love when she was a kid before people in her life disappointed her). I was rooting for Piper and Charlie throughout the whole book, of course. They are cute together but they didn't see it... well Charlie did, Piper didn't. Love? Maybe is an easy, quick, fun read that you would read in summer or between dystopian/fantasy books.

I loved how Hepler gave each character in this book different personality. Hepler's books aren't only easy, fun reads, but they also offer lessons and that is what I love about her books. I definitely recommend this for everyone because Love? Maybe is appropriate for anyone.

# Samantha says

pipers Birthday is on valentines Day. piper thinks that her birthday is not just on a romantic Day because she sees a lot of relation ships fall apart. she thinks that its like every other day normal and her best friend gets heart broken 2 weeks before valentines day and her other best friend has a plan and piper was nice and decided to go help her friend and not go and celebrate her birthday.

# Red\_Queen\_Lover says

Can't believe I finished this so fast!

This book was such a cute read!! I loved it. It was cutely romantic but nothing super physical. The only physical things that happen are a few hugs and slow dancing. I recommend this book to anyone who's wanting to read a short story about confusing emotions and an oblivious love that came from a friendship. Comment below!! I'd love some feedback!! <3

# Lilia says

Such a cute, adorable read! Enjoyed this immensely