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What happens when your head and your heart pull you in completely opposite directions?

April Adams is about to find out the hard way.

When April enrolls at Manchester University, it feels like a whole new life. New city, new house, new friends...new crush.

Isaac Sharpe is the hottest guy on campus - with an even hotter reputation. After a chance meeting, April quickly finds herself wrapped up in all that he is. But what if all that he is isn't what it seems?

Caught up in a battle between what she wants and what she thinks she needs, April meets Lukas Roberts. Lukas is the security blanket that she craves so desperately and she finds solace in their friendship. But what happens when she finds more than she bargained for?

April has always been a big believer of fate, but will she learn that she's in control of her own destiny before it's too late?

Join April as she embarks on a life changing journey of love and loss, which will have you laughing and crying until the very end.

## **April Showers Details**

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## **From Reader Review April Showers for online ebook**

### **Samantha says**

What can I say..... Other than a BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Karli Perrin on a truly outstanding book. Bought it as soon as it went live at midnight and tortured myself all day knowing it was on my kindle and had to wait!!!!

I'm not a reviewer, just a huge book fan and sometimes I get so caught up in the book, I feel the need to share, so I apologise in advance for this "review" ( I use the term loosely)

I started April Showers at 5o'clock and can basically "devoured" it in 6hrs!!! I was totally hooked from the first page, the characters were engaging and fresh. April is the kind of heroine that you either wish you were like or wish she was your friend. And Issac..... hmmm..... there are no real words I can string together to do him justice..... He just got better as the book went on and didn't disappoint. And is now my favourite "Book Boyfriend" (sorry Jesse Ward)

Lukas....there was just something there that made me feel he was too good to be true and I could'nt quite put my finger on it and then it all fell into place (wont spoil it, but I didn't see that coming, quite that way) but I will confess that I am more than a little biased as i am completely and utterly "Team Issac" and was rooting for him all the way through. But at 97% I was starting to believe that Lukas wants April to be happy regardless. As for Kate, what can I say other than.... OMFG, totally the best BFF in a book EVER without question.

I can't recommend this book enough, it was fast paced, but believable. Extremely well written and edited. And a real page turner and totsllly un-put-down-able, (I remembered at 9pm that I had'nt fed my boys....ooops)It also had so many genuine LOL and truly touching moments. Both of which had tears rolling down my face. And the last page.....Karli Karli Karli, what are you trying to do to us, my heart was literally on my throat and then those dreaded three little words.... "To Be Continued".... ARRRGGGGHHHH.

Cannot wait for book 2, will be marking the days off til its release.

Thank you Karli

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### **Jenn says**

What an Awesome read Ms. Karli!!!!

I must say this book hit the mark for my in so many ways. I went back and forth with my rating between 4 to 5 stars. I really wish that Goodreads gave 1/2 a stars because I truly rate with one a 4.5.

So let me tell you what I loved about this book. The Author did a beautiful job with the writing it just flowed effortlessly, this made even better to read. The characters where realistic and I connected to them pretty

quickly. I loved their funny banter though out this book between April and her BFF Kate. I absolutely loved the banter and the sexual tension between April and Isaac. This book was a emotional rollercoaster, it pulled at so many emotions for me. I laughed at so many times especially between Kate and April. I also teared up a few times as well and I love when a book can make me feel so much. What impressed me was the Author ability to make me love a book that I normally wouldn't like as much. I usually don't love a love triangle kinda book, now don't get me wrong I do read them but this one was harder for me because I USUALLY LIKE the bad boy of the book but with Lukas I generally really like him for majority of the book. Don't get it twist I'm Team Isaac all the way!!!!

There where a few things in this book that made me rate a 4.5 and not a 5. They where minor reasons nothing that would stop you from reading this book. I thinks my main reason for my 4.5 rating is a petpeeve is when an Author doesn't state the book ends with a cliffhanger. I like to be forewarned. I will be holding my breath waiting for the next book =)

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## **Z. Elizabeth says**

*When April Adams enrolled in Manchester University, never in a million years did she think her life would end up the way it did. On the first day, she quite literally runs into the hottest guy on campus – Isaac Sharpe. That chance meeting is now all she can think about. But what happens when she finds out exactly who Isaac is? Her heart just broke.*

*Lukas Roberts is the first friend April meets on her course. He quickly becomes her best friend, her security blanket, the one she can rely on. But what happens when all is not what it seems?*

*April is caught up in a battle between her head and her heart. What she wants and what she doesn't want, or more importantly, to her, can't have.*

*But what is April going to do? A big believer in fate, will everything fall into place at the right time for her or will it be too late?*

For a debut novel, Karli Perrin has included everything in her book. Humor, swooning, frustration, tears, sarcasm, heartbreak, love, pain, laughter and an amazingly awesome best friend that everyone will fall in love with as well as two hot guys you will love too...but remember, Isaac is mine. Don't worry; I'll keep reminding you throughout this review.

It is simply the perfect first novel to share with the world. Karli has obviously put a lot of time and effort into making it the book she is proud of and a book which we can all become engrossed with. I know I sure did. I became crazy public transport lady with all my crazy ass smiling and giggling at my phone (I used the kindle app to read it).

There is something in the book for everyone. Ms. Perrin's writing style is one that I simply loved. The writing flowed, the plot flowed, she makes you care about the characters and before you know it, you have devoured the book and are at the final page, with tears in your eyes, shouting at your kindle/Phone and begging it not to end there. Begging Karli to write book two as soon as possible so we can find out what happens.

As I've mentioned, April Adams is starting her first year at Manchester University. Already running late on her first day, she literally runs into something hard. That something turns out to be Isaac Sharpe. The hottest guy around. It's basically love at first sight, but what comes after that is a series of events and heartbreak that she just can't deal with at the moment. Her head and heart are both saying to different things but Isaac will never give up on her.

That very same day she meets Lukas Roberts. He's in the class she is late for and they strike up a friendship. He's her security blanket for all the anguish and dilemmas she is going through even if she doesn't share them. But all is not what it seems with him either and when April is told his secrets, can she forgive him or is that the end for their friendship?

April has a decision to make. A 'can't or won't' will not suffice this time around.

I'm going to start with my boyfriend. YES, my boyfriend Isaac. (Told you I'd remind you). He is the epitome of a hunkalicious man. A man that I think everyone would love to run into and have him pick you up! He's adorable, sexy, and sarcastic and I would give anything to banter with him....and I have done! Wait for the interview!!

He's passionate and outspoken and loveable and sexy (yes, twice sexy) and fiery and will fight for April despite the.....No, that's a spoiler, I can't reveal that. You'll have to read it to find out exactly who he is...and I suppose most of you wouldn't care either ;) It would be so HOT. But anyway, my heart broke for him when we find out about him...vague, I know. But I love him. I.LOVE.HIMMMMM.

You see his sensitive side too; a side of pain as well as we find out about his past. And dear god, it will make you cry and want to comfort him and be so proud of him at the same time. He's done a great job in preserving a memory of his younger years.

He says things like this too, which would make your panties drop in an instant:-

**“Your lipstick is driving me fucking crazy”**

**“If you were mine, you would never have to share”**

**“Embarrassing? I'm not embarrassed. I'm scared. Scared that you don't want anything to do with me”**

**“I love hearing you say my name”**

**“He took my hand and held it against his chest, “Feel that? It beats for you.””**

**“You're keeping those heels on”**

Okay, I need to stop or this review will just turn into quotes from Isaac. But you get why I love him?! Isaac also has tattoos, and you alllllll know that I am partial to some tattoos ;)

Now onto the girl of the book, April Adams. I really liked April. Shes also sarcastic and the comebacks and banter she has with both Lukas and Isaac had me in stitches. Shes a girl after my own heart and she can definitely hold her own. She's honest, probably not with her heart though, and at times she broke my heart over the pain of what was going on. I wanted to shake her and tell her to just go for it (Soooo can't say what for though, complete spoiler for the book) but I wanted her to say 'Fuck it'.

I could understand her reservations about it, why she couldn't because in some ways I would be thinking the same, but then the chemistry between her and Isaac is amazing. It sizzles and pops. You can truly see how much they should be together. Every time they look at one another it's like BOOM!

Here are just a few of my favs that she says:-

**“I want you to take me home...but I’ll be okay”**

**“I was never going to be able to look at a tree in the same way again.”**

**“If you come a little closer, I’ll be able to see right up your kilt.”**

Despite everything that happens to April, she does get a happy ending....even if you will cry your eyes out at what happens next. We shall have to see if it lasts in book two.

Now Lukas Roberts. Lukas, Lukas Lukas. Scottish Lukas. Hes a difficult one. He was an absolute gem to April, always there for her, their banter was hilarious, and they just gelled from the first moment they met and it was great to see such a strong friendship between them. He truly was the one she turned to and her security blanket when everything goes tits up. But then I’m conflicted over him. I don’t know whether I should like him or dislike him after he confesses something to April.

He had me with tears in my eyes on the train (thank god for sunglasses), gasping at my phone and I got really angry and started ranting to Karli about him. Okay, so in some ways you can see why he didn’t tell April that secret, he wanted people to see him for him, but then wouldn’t you tell April if you’re her best friend? I still don’t know whether to like him or not. We’ll have to see in the next book. See if he really does redeem himself....

Because of my dirty mind, this one quote from him sticks out to me:

**“You know...whips, chains, handcuffs. Like I said, the essentials.”**

EEEEEE now onto the best friend eveeee. Katie. Oh smokes, she is freaking amazeballs. I can see parts of myself in her, and I was sat there going “oh hell yes I would say this.” She is hilarious. She comes out with some great lines that will have you spitting your drink out but she always has the best advice. She’s just obviously based on me hahahah.

She’s an amazing friend to April, always there when she needs someone to talk to. She makes her see sense, even if April doesn’t take it on board straight away or shrugs it off and she helps her along with the thing or lack of, that is happening with Isaac.

She’s also a banterosaurous rex and can definitely hold her own. Shes fiery and can bite your head off in an instant as well as dropping you down a peg or too. Someone you definitely need in your life. Her and April really are two peas in a pod. I can’t wait to see more of her in book two.

Now onto Katie’s quotes:-

**“At least sleep with him before you get rid.”**

**All I want is to be a MILF, is that too much to ask for?”**

**“It’s like I’m the guy in the relationship.”**

**“Well if you’re not going to sleep with him, can I have him?”**

**“There’s nothing better than watching a dick get turned down...Literally”**

**“You said he was hot. You didn’t tell me he was smoking hot, I bet you could cook food on his abs.”**

I’ll stop there, as with Isaac, I could just write a review full of quotes.

Now this is the point where I normally tell you my favourite scene, but I really can't because it would spoil it for you. I know, I know, bad times but let's say it involves the rain and a certain licking of a certain area on a certain someone's body. This was so written for me...no Joking, it really was. Enjoy my scene when you get to it. I demanded Karli write it in hahah.

Right, so this is now 4 pages long. I think I should probably stop here. You probably have given up reading this too because I tend to babble on but thank you if you haven't and have gotten to this stage. I'll give you some chocolate. But not Isaac. He's here with me now, so sorry people.

I will reiterate how much I loved April Showers. It's a bloody awesome read and ya'll should get your copies TODAY! YES, it's out TODAY! So what the frigg are you still doing here? Go click on the link and get your copy right now, and begin it right now and see exactly why Isaac is my boyfriend and Katie is my best friend and I love April and why book two needs to be written now. Go Go GOOOOOO!

Throughout the day, I will be posting my Author Interview and Isaac's interview. They are quite long so it's only fair to post them separately :) Keep you coming back for more.

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## **Katie says**

### **3.25 Stars!**

So I saw lots of good reviews for this book, and I can see where people are coming from—*April Showers* was a sweet story—but there was just too much that brought it down for me.

### **I'll start with the Good:**

The writing was well done and easy to read, with no noticeable errors. The story was sweet and fun, and there was sarcasm and banter, which I love. April's friend Katie (awesome name, I know;) was great too, she actually gave good advice and she was really funny.

*"I was happy to be with Lukas but then he has to go and piss all over my bonfire."*

*"Is that some sort of innuendo?"*

*"Jesus Katie, no."*

Also, I liked that April stood up for herself, which doesn't always happen in NA books. And I liked the message of choosing between who you *need* and who you *want*.

### **Now time for the Not So Good:**

I felt like this book was on fast forward. Everything just seemed rushed and underdeveloped. I finished it in about two and a half hours it was that quick a read. There was no character development or even character background. I didn't really know anything about April's past, and I didn't feel like I knew her very well. The same goes for the other characters, I got a little better feel for their personalities, but I still didn't know much about them. It just lacked depth in every aspect; the characters, the plot, the relationships, everything.

April and Isaac barely knew each other when love and marriage were brought up, and while I'm usually ok with insta-love, in this case, it was just too unrealistic.

*"And in that moment... I knew that I was falling in love."*

The plot was so SIMPLE, and honestly a little frustrating! It all revolved around whether April would choose Isaac or Lukas, and everything bad that happened occurred because she couldn't make up her mind. SHE was the cause of all the heartbreak and drama!

She ended up stringing one of them along even though she *knew* she didn't feel the same way about him as he felt about her. And while I love love *love* romance, it was just too much too the same thing.

Also, there was never a description of how April looked; no hair color, eye color, skin color, nothing! I pictured her as a brunette but she could've had a bright green afro for all I know.

And the cliffhanger!!! Gah, I hate those damn things...

*\*I received a free copy of this book from the author for an honest review\**

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## **Lindsey says**

3.5 Stars

April Showers is a cute quick read. Before you read it, make sure you keep in mind this is based in England (the lingo threw me off a few times) It is well written, and kept my attention for the majority of the read.

Now for my cons.

April was just a love sick mess for Isaac which is fine, but she kept saying her heart craved him, and she was so distraught. By this time she only actually talked to him for two days. A little too insta love for me. I wish April would have made her mind up so much earlier (view spoiler)

The ending is a cliffy ... Karli flings you right off it :)

Now we wait until December for book 2 :)

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## **Fab Fun & Tantalizing Reads says**

**"You deserve a man who makes you feel *butterflies*. Love isn't safe. Love is crazy and unpredictable. You can't control it and you sure as hell can't fight it. It's one of life's greatest risks...but it's also one of life's greatest gifts."**

April Showers was absolutely amazeballs!! It was chock-a-blockfull of hilarious fun banter (Amazing banter - some of the best!!), friendship, romance & the chemistry was just oozing from the pages!

Katie & April: **"I was happy to be with Lukas but then he has to go and piss all over my bonfire."**

**"Is that some sort of innuendo?"**

**"Jesus Katie, no."**

I'm on vacation in Hollywood from Australia and I've waited til now, the very last minute to write this review. Nothing I can write can do April, Isaac & Lukas's story justice.

Perrin has done an amazing job with this debut, I would recommend it to any new adult contemporary lovers. You will adore it, just like I did.

From the first page (& collision) I was giggling. I wouldn't call it insta-love, I would call it insta-connection and I love to believe that it's real. It certainly was for April & Isaac.

**I was tempted to take his up on his offer just to hear him speak again. Hell, I was tempted to play dead in the hope that he would give me the kiss of life.**

Katie was the bomb. Lukas was a wonderful friend that made my heart sing (Scottish accent - yum!), but Isaac was perfect. I adored him. I wanted to marry him & have his smokin hot babies!

**Issac was like a drug. I knew he wasn't good for me but I was addicted to him. Good or bad was better than nothing at all. ~ Amen Sista!**

The story is so much more than a girl studying uni away from home & meeting and falling in love. It was layers of goodness. Getting to know the characters. Seeing the lanterns for the first time, doing orientation around the library, being stolen away at every opportunity, the laugh-out-loud jaw dropping altercation with Hollie, the surprising escapade in the stock room and even the all-consuming feeling of heart break and betrayal - while drinking vodka and watching 'The Notebook' bahahahaha, plus, the first creepy musician and finally the moment that the world rights itself.

I could feel the sexual tension dripping off us and just like Katie had said, I found myself wanting to rip all of his clothes off. I wanted him to take me, dominate me, own me. I didn't care that we were in a damn stock room., we could have been anywhere for all I cared. The whole world fell away at our feet and all that mattered was us.

The ending, I was like 'ahhhhhhhhhh, all is as it should be', then quickly it became 'AHHHHHHH Noooooooooooooooooo'. Damn you Perrin (and Abbie!). Now I need more!!! I couldn't recommend this more. I loved every word on every page and swooned and laughed aloud more times than I would have even been able to count. I would give April Showers 6 stars if it were possible.

**Sometimes you don't realize how lost you really were until you find your way back home.  
Isaac was my home.**

Well done Karli...you have a fan in me!

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### **BookHeroin says**

1 star

Skipped a lot of pages, it was very boring. I expected it to be more interesting but it was extremely boring.

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### **Louise BookbestiesUK says**

\*\*\*Arc received from author in exchange for honest review\*\*\*

Love Love Love but my god what a cliffhanger!!

Fantastic debut novel by Karli Perrin. She managed to do what even some of the most experienced writers fail to do....make believable characters :)

April has just started at Manchester Uni when she quite literally runs into the hot and very sexy Isaac.

They connect on both a physical and emotional level, but as luck would have it he's one of her tutors at Uni...therefore forbidden.

But he's not the kind of guy to give up easily.

Enter Lukas very nice cute sweet guy who April makes friends with and sees as potential boyfriend material...he's nice sweet but theres just no passion!

April tries her best to move on but Isaac just wont get out of her head or her dreams.

Turns out Lukas is hiding a big fat secret of his own too!! naughty naughty Lukas!!

I loved the conversations that went on between April and Isaac, very funny witty and kept me reading on and on-well until I was forced to go to work, and then I got it back out in my dinner break!

As for that cliffy, that just flew in out of nowhere, I have my suspicions but I guess I'll just have to wait till book 2 comes out.

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## **Em says**

TOTALLY FRUSTRATED WITH THIS ONE!!!!

I thought it was a stand alone!! Ending with a "to be continued" broke my heart and actually pissed me off. (If it is not a stand alone there should be some kind of notice/warning, MARK IT AS SUCH!).

I really enjoyed it up until that point!! The banter was sweet and funny at times. Both guys were excellent choices and April's feelings/concerns for both were understandable. Hopefully my frustration and outrage with this not being a standalone is also understandable!!!!

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## **Emma Harris says**

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Review

I received an ARC of Karli's April Showers as part of the blog tour.

Ok, first of all let me tell u that I was hooked from the very start of this book, and to be really honest I couldn't put it down, I read 76% in one sitting & only stopped because it was really late & I had to get up for work early the next day otherwise I would of carried on reading!

The pace of April Showers was really good, it starts by going straight into it, love that about a book and thats what gets you hooked :) and the pace carries on right throughout the book.

I'm not going to post any spoilers as I'm not a fan of that and quite often think "well whats the point in reading the book" and I want you to enjoy April Showers for its true worth.

The characters in this book are all very likable bar one or two(one in particular), but you've always got to have at least one or two not very nice characters in a book to help make things more interesting, lol. April is a character who is very likeable, she's brilliant at her sarcastic one liners & Issac gives as good as he gets! Now Issac... don't even get me started on him, he's extremely hot and very swoonworthy & from his description would be just my type ;) Argh!! I could quite easily just carry on writing about the details in this book & details of all the characters but i'm not going too because I really don't want spoil it for anyone.....just read it and see for yourself, Karli's book is what I like to call easy reading, so easy to get into, so hard to put down & gets you completely hooked, i'm still thinking about the ending even the day after, can't wait for book 2, I just hope Karli doesn't keep me & everyone else waiting too long, lol.

I only have two little things that I picked up on which I've mentioned to Karli & that's the fact theres no actual description of April in the book so I kinda went with the girl on the cover mixed with how I would want her to look & I would of like a little more detail in the nitty gritty parts.. do love me some detailed naughty bits, ha ha, but that never took away the fact that I totally loved this book & couldn't put it down! ;) Oh and I particularly love the store cupboard part but I'm saying any more on that front, lol !!

Karli this is your first book & you should be one very proud lady!! Now hurry up & get writing the next book ?

My rating for this book is simply 5 stars for me.....loved it :) <3 <3 <3 <3 <3

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## Love, Holly Xx says

4.5 stars

\*\*\*\*\*ARC received in exchange for an honest review\*\*\*\*\*

**"Sometimes it's impossible to stop ourselves from falling." - Isaac.**

Twenty year old April Adams is just starting her first year at Manchester University when she literally falls at the feet of a sexy stranger. The attraction is immediate but their meeting is brief as April has to rush to class which is where she meets the good looking, boy-next-door Lukas Roberts, who she instantly bonds with and agrees to meet him at a party later that night. It's at that party where she comes face to face with the sexy stranger from that morning - Isaac Sharpe.

**Embarrassment was quickly replaced with a completely different emotion all together when I heard him say the words I knew I was never going to forget, "I'm going to marry that girl one day."**

But the very next day, April's hopes come showering down around her when she finds out that Isaac isn't who she thought he was and realises they cannot start seeing each other like she wanted. Then one drunken night, her friendship with Lukas turns in to more. Her relationship with him is slow and easy, just like she wants. But sometimes, what you want isn't always what you need.

**"Love isn't safe. Love is crazy and scary and unpredictable. You can't control it and you sure as hell can't fight it. It's one of life's greatest risks...But it's also one of life's greatest gifts." - Katie.**

The main and secondary characters were all great and I could see myself making friends with them if I was with them at Uni. April was strong and witty. I loved the relationships and conversations between April and Isaac, and April and Lukas. Book Boy one, Isaac, was very sexy and confident but has more to him than what meets the eye. He has a past that made my heart break for him and had me shedding a few tears. Then we have Book Boy two, Lukas. (That's right, two Book Boys for the price of one - brownie points for Ms. Perrin) I loved Lukas. He was funny, thoughtful and caring, but then he reveals he's been hiding a pretty big secret from April, and let's just say, if it was me, my knee would be intimately acquainted with his junk. Katie - April's BFF from home - was comedy gold, and even though I thought Hollie (in no way inspired by me) was a total bitch to start with, even she slightly redeemed herself by the end.

**"What else have you got in your bag of tricks?" "The rest is naughty..." his accent curled around the last word, making it sound naughty in itself. "How so?" "You know...whips, chains, handcuffs. Like I said, the essentials." - Lukas.**

I loved this book. It was well thought out and written. Both Isaac and Lukas had a secret that created major twists that left me unable to put the book down so I could find out how the story developed. The dialogue was fantastic! Sarcasm is my favourite type of humour and April Showers is full of sarcastic comments that had me laughing from beginning to end. It was captivating, funny, sweet, realistic, and a truly brilliant debut Novel with an ending that left me desperate for book two. Karli Perrin is definitely an Author to look out for.

And because there were so many, here are some of my favourite quotes...

**"You're way too sweet, it's actually pretty sickly. You should work on toning it down a notch or two before someone throws up on you."- Isaac to April.**

**"You're right. It's my fault I was innocently standing here, minding my own business when you tried to rugby tackle me."- Isaac to April.**

**"What a beautiful name, it suits you." "It should do, it's been my name for 20 years."- Isaac and April.**

**"At least sleep with him before you get rid."- Katie Katie to April.**

**"Well thank you, you know how to treat a lady right." He looked around. "There's a lady here?" I scowled at him, "I take that back."- April and Lukas.**

**"Yes you are, I can prove it to you. Take me to the Library and we'll look up frigid in the Dictionary, it'll have a picture of you."- Katie to April.**

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## **Katy Loves Romance ♥? says**

First of all I want to shout a big **CONGRATULATIONS** to Karli Perrin for writing this little gem!!

When I was reading this splendid story I was biting my lip anxious to what was going to happen next...

This was somewhat of a rollercoaster of a story as well as emotional story!!

Anyway onto the review!!

April is embarking on a new start, a new chapter in her life starting Manchester university, she's on her own so she's starting fresh making new friends. On her first day she bumps literally into sexy, handsome Isaac agreeing to meet up with him the following day for a 'date' so April goes onto her first day at uni and after an embarrassing start meets lovely Handsome Lukas...

### **This is their story!**

Let's meet them shall we.

#### **ISAAC**

Isaac is Dominant, sexy, Independent, Delicious, April is drawn to Isaac instantly and he is the man that makes her tummy flutter and gives her butterfly's and also makes her skin crave his.

#### **LUKAS**

Lukas is Reliable, easy to spend time with, he's a genuine nice guy, he's kind, intelligent, funny, caring, the guy you would want around so can cry on his shoulder and I would say they are more friends than anything else but emotions can get confusing can't they and sometimes we need security.

So the question is which direction should April follow her heart or her head??? What's right and what's wrong??

When you go to university and start something new we enjoy ourselves and have fun and we also use Vodka to distract us when our emotions are up and down, maybe not the best choice at times but nevertheless we do it, we've all been there right??!!

### **What I enjoyed**

April showers is fast paced and went straight in which I loved I pretty much loved this from early on, I struggled to put it down and was reading till early hours just because one chapter led to the next, It was easy to pick up and easy to understand without much thought.

### **What I need more of**

Even though it was fast paced and very enjoyable at times I missed character development I feel that maybe more information is needed about April, a bit more about where she's from and a description of April as we got that for Isaac and Lukas but not for April so in my head she's dark haired so here's my April...

April is Beautiful, Intelligent, fun and loving.

### **Kitty**

Kitty is the friend April has left at home and I loved her throughout this story, I loved there telephone conversations, her advice, wisdom and fun times they have together. She's the friend we all have don't we I have one of those friends and she reminds me of my best friend at home we separate go on with our lives but when we get together it's like how it has always been, Loved her character!!!

So to sum it up I very much enjoyed this book and would recommend it to anyone who loved Thoughtless/effortless, easy and Slammed. I have also been in a little bit of a book funk recently and this pulled me in instantly, so if your wanting an easy enjoyable read go ahead.

And a little warning this story continues in book two so roll the next chapter, keep writing Karli I need a Happy Ending for all of them as I truly love all these characters.

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### **Lady Vigilante (Feifei) says**

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*“You deserve a man who makes you feel **butterflies**. Love isn't safe. Love is crazy and scary and unpredictable. You can't control it and you sure as hell can't fight it. It's one of life's greatest risks...but it's also one of life's greatest gifts.”*

I tend to avoid love triangle books because, well, they're messy, complicated, and usually leave me unsatisfied. These kinds of books have to be written in a certain way for me to get through each chapter without hurdling my iPad across the room. For a debut novel, April Showers certainly hit the mark on all my NA requirements, and I truly enjoyed the story, but it didn't stand out to me.

*“Of course I was born in April...April fools day actually. Why else would I be called April? My mother couldn't think of a name for me so she just called me after the month. I'm just glad that I wasn't born in February or March.”*

April Adams is my type of girl. A sassy chick who has a sense of humor, April is the perfect heroine. There was nothing wrong with her or her actions and though she was the centerpoint of the love triangle, the fault didn't lie with her. Right from the bat, she runs into Issac Sharpe, the hottest man-candy on campus. She is

insanely attracted to him but they part ways before she finds out who he is. She arrives in her class late, and she happens to sit next to this cute guy, Lukas, the other person who is later a contender for her affections. It isn't until after April hangs out with Issac does she find out in class that Issac is her tutor. Yep. A love triangle AND a forbidden teacher/tutor-student relationship. Kill me now.

*"I felt stupid. Stupid for letting myself have such strong feelings for somebody that I hardly knew. Stupid for not asking more questions last night. Stupid of believing that I was falling in love with my goddamn tutor."*

At the point where she finds about Issac's occupation, I kind of wanted to stop reading it. BUT curiosity won me over so I continued and to my delight, the story got much better. I was pleased to see how *real* April's life was, and to read how she struggled with her conflicting feelings added to the complexity of her character. Karli did a magnificent job here portraying April's emotions, reactions, and decisions based on her situation.

*"I was a ticking time bomb of emotion ready to explode. I was frustrated at how happy I felt just from hearing his voice. Issac was like a drug. I knew he wasn't good for me but I was addicted to him. I needed my fix however I could get it. Good or bad was better than nothing at all. But now I was left to deal with the come down."*

Heck, I was a bundle of nerves while I was reading this book. I kind of figured from the beginning that April would want to find a relationship with Lukas, then Lukas does something terribly wrong (which he did), and then April runs back into Issac's arms. There was some character development, but not enough background information to bolster each of the characters. Another issue I had was the cliffhanger. I flipped my book back and forth a couple of times to make sure I didn't run out of pages or something because that was one ending that just made me go whaaaaaaat? I'll say here that I will definitely read the next book in this series to see how the relationship dynamic goes and what happened with April's house, but the story didn't stay with me like I thought it would.

4 STARS!!!

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## Rebecca says

First off, let me just say a **HUGE CONGRATULATIONS** to the lovely lady who created this delicious little gem, Karli Perrin. I can't put into words how much I loved *April Showers*, but I'm gonna' try, because it is definitely worth making a big song and dance about. The first three words I will use to describe it will be: ***Lip bitingly good ...***

... and I can assure you, I am not exaggerating.

### **In a nutshell.**

April Adams is just starting university. Leaving her best friend Katie behind at home, she's taking her first steps into the big wide world on her own. Or at least into the world of students, partying and emotions running wild. Whilst running late to her first class, April runs slap bang into a shamefully beautiful stranger, also known as Isaac Sharpe. This guy is stupidly **hot**, but also incredibly dangerous, and unfortunately for April, completely and utterly unforgettable.



Whilst in her first class, April then meets Lukas Roberts. The perfect example of a gentleman; kind, considerate and not a bad bone in his body.

Suddenly, April Adams finds herself torn between the two, and is taken on an epic journey, only to discover the answer to the question that we have all asked at least once in our lives. Do you follow your heart or your head?

### The characters.

**April Adams-** I adored April. What a lovely, lovely girl. So down to earth and genuine, and someone I think I'd definitely get along with in real life. (Such a shame she's a fictional character! Anybody else think this often when reading a good book?) I also couldn't help but feel rather jealous of her during the book, having these two hot guys to drool over, I mean, just **yum!** Another thing I love about this girl are her witty, sarcastic remarks that she uses when she first bumps into Isaac. Haha, talk about a girl after my own heart! There's nothing I love more than a feisty female snapping back at a male.

*"You can run fast for a girl... you weren't being chased or anything were you?" - Isaac*

*"Number one, girls can run fast too. Welcome to the 21st century. We're even allowed to vote these days" - April.*

I was like, "**Dammmn! You go girl!**"

April Adams is a fantastic creation by the author, she fits the bill perfectly for her character, and after reading, you can't imagine her being any different. It's a complete treasure when the author creates a character that you wanna bump into in the street and have a coffee with.

**Isaac Sharpe-** Damn damn damn damn damn damn. Okay, I'll admit it, I'm such a sucker for a fictional bad boy. I love em', I love em', I loooooove em'! And Isaac Sharpe is now one of my all time favourites. He is so freakin' hot it's unreal. It's just the way he speaks, he's kind of arrogant and cocky, but then he's sincere with it too. The minute April ran into him and began describing him to me, I was all ears.

*"He was wearing a white shirt with the sleeves rolled up and black skinny jeans, which I had never fully appreciated on a man until this very moment. They fit him to perfection, hugging him in all of the right places" - April*

I completely agree with April here, I don't think I have ever appreciated a pair of skinny jeans on a man, but when you sit and imagine Isaac Sharpe wearing them, with his "*toned muscles*" and "*stubble*", it's a completely different image isn't it? ;)

Anyway, before I start dribbling all over again, I'll get back to what I was trying to say. Along with his cockiness and arrogance he is protective over April and rather possessive of her too, which I always find adorable. He's the perfect match for her, and she knows it. From the second they meet, you can just feel the electric charge between them, it's sizzling, just like Isaac. He's hot, he's sexy, he's dominant and he's everything April shouldn't have, but hey, she wants him anyway. Plus, there's nothing wrong with breaking the rules now and again, is there April Adams? ;)

**Lukas Roberts-** Now, I love comfort and security, what girl doesn't? And Lukas is the definition of lovely.

But to me, personally, lovely just isn't enough. You can find someone who is a perfect gentleman, but where's the physical attraction, where's the charge, where's the "I want you right here, right now" feeling!? To me, it just didn't seem like there was anything like that between these two, and I'm glad April realises this. You gotta have it! You just gotta! I think throughout the story, Lukas becomes more of a best friend to April than a lover or partner. I just couldn't see them becoming anything serious, I wanted her to want Isaac just as much as I wanted him. I think Lukas and April make a lovely pair, but only as friends, and friends only!

**Katie-** Katie is April's best-friend, who April has to leave behind when she heads off to university. I loved this girl, she was hilarious! So funny and had me giggling whenever she was mentioned in the story. I felt the excitement radiating off my Kindle when Katie said she was going to visit April, I was excited for them both too! I love my best friends, and I love the feeling I get when I know I'm going to be seeing them! <3 The phone calls between Katie and April are cuuuute as hell! I hope these two stay friends forever!

### **So, basically**

I absolutely ADORED this book, and I think Karli Perrin is definitely an author to look out for! I'll be recommending April Showers to all of my friends who are readers, and I probably won't shut up about it for a good few weeks, but as I said at the beginning of this, it is worth doing a song and dance about, but it's just sooo so good and I'm so glad I have read it! The only thing left to say is....

### **BRING ON BOOK #2!**

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### **Siiri (Little Pieces of Imagination) says**

I didn't remember anything from the blurb going into this one, but when I cracked it open, what I found was insta-attraction. I can totally deal with that. I liked the mystery guy and I enjoyed April and Isaac's banter. Then we have Lukas, the best-friend-material kind of guy who quickly becomes April's rock. I wanted more of that relationship to find her feelings towards him believable.

I can't talk about my feelings regarding April, her choices or anything regarding this book without mild spoilers. If you don't want to read them, stop now and scroll to the last paragraph. Ok, here we go.

I had a feeling about Isaac when he mentioned students getting out of hand at the parties. We soon find out that he's April's tutor. I was glad to see that April stood up for herself. However, when she cried about him and dreamed about the guy for weeks, thought about him *constantly*, it became too much. Did these two have chemistry? Yes. However, they had spent 5 minutes one morning and then one night at the first party of the schoolyear together and now she's mad that he "lied" to him about not being a student. Then.. she starts to lead on Lukas who she doesn't even have such strong feelings for. Sleeps with him and thinks that maybe she did rush indeed with getting it on so soon when all she can really think about is Isaac. Well, girl, you should have thought about it sooner.

When Lukas comes to tell her something quite shocking (which I didn't see coming), she freaks out. Cries her heart out for multiple days, doesn't attend any classes and drinks herself to obliviation. Wtf, April?! You love Isaac, you are obsessed with him and you like Lukas, yes, but he's more of a best friend to you. So now you're so terribly frustrated and sad and betrayed? I understand betrayed and being angry, but the girl just cried and cried and cried. Then she jumps right into Isaac when Lukas is out of sight. It just pissed me off. The love interests were pretty cliché though with their compliments and dialogue.

Ok, final paragraph. April just made wrong decision after wrong decision and I get that people aren't flawless and it's easy to judge looking at it from the sidelines, but she was so.. frustrating to spend time with. I was totally team Isaac. Lukas was nice and everything, but some people just don't have that spark with their love interests and I think it wasn't so much Lukas's fault, but the thing was that Isaac and April had that natural, effortless chemistry. I wish April had more of a backbone and did wright by her not what was expected of her. Isaac offered her so many possibilities to take their relationship and give both of them what they wanted, but she always complained and didn't fight for her feelings, his feelings. Their feelings. I hope she will in #2. I have theories about the sequel when it comes to the ending and who did this, what'll happen etc. I don't know if I'll give the sequel a try, but since this was a debut and I hope the plot and the characters will improve, I may give it another chance.

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