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Travis MacDuff has always led an uneventful life. His greatest concern was making the high school football, until an odd girl moves in next store, a girl whose secrets threaten not only his existence but the existence of everyone on the planet.

Just Plain Weird Details

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I really liked Eliza a lot, but the lack of proof-reading, I did not.

This is my only complaint because when I stumbled over misspelled words and bad grammar, it distracted me away from the very good story line and interesting characters, I wanted to know more about.

Eileen Carter says

Sci - fi at its best

This book kept you guessing what would happen next. At first I was very confused thinking they might just be aliens. but as the book progressed all answers were given in a colorfully and well written book.

Callie says

This story really is Just Plain Weird. It makes no sense while you completely understand what is going on.

Harleighhurricane says

Cool book!

Patti says

Love, love love this book!

I don't think I have ever, in the 53 years I have been reading, read a book quite like this! It truly is "Just Plain Weird!" The title says it all! The characters are truly unique. Travis and Eliza rock! They are both 15. The only other real character in this story is Doc, Eliza's father. I couldn't go more than a page without shaking my head at something one of them said or did, usually laughing as well. To say anything more would give away too much! I will toss this out, just as a teaser- the giant "cockroaches" were a bit over the top, but they play so little part in the overall story that it just made for an interesting interlude! Do not let them deter you from reading this book! It absolutely is not about them AT ALL! This is a must-read for anyone with a sense of humor and adventure!

This book left me feeling truly happy, a big smile on my face, like I had just completed some grand adventure! I feel kind of like a kid again!

Rob Foster says

A well-told tale, written in an engaging, refreshing style. The story doesn't cop out into cliché sci-fi territory, but dares to tell a very human science-fiction without leaving out the fantastic... with characters you grow to care about, and find yourself on the ride with them through their discoveries, frustrations and breakthroughs. Upton paces himself well, serving each element of the story in portions, and never laying it on too thick all at once. I enjoyed this, and didn't expect to with such a random title.

Nita Chay says

I loved this book and it was far from what I was expecting. Normally I don't like books about aliens or space ships but I'm glad I took a chance on this book. The begining was slow to start but once it started going it was unstoppable. I didn't want to put this book down! And just when you think you know whats going to happen next, the writer throws you a curveball. That's what I loved most about the book, how I never could guess what was going to happen next. It's definitely a must read.

Stephani says

Completely weird and awesome read. This book was addictive and alot of fun to read. It had everything!!! Spooky, Suspense, Action, Horror, Love, Drama, Funny!! Easy to read, Great discriptions!!! Original characters, great imagination!!!!!!! Would love for anyone to read this and give me feedback!!!!!

Lui Contreras says

One of Tom Upton's finest work, I believe.

And I'm re-reading it for the 3rd time... it really is that good...

But, back to the book.

Just Plain Weird tells a 1st person narrative of Travis, a 15-year-old, whose aims are to get fit and join the football team, until a girl named Eliza becomes her new neighbour.

For a while now, Travis has been "looking" at the house, because of the strange inactivity from the house. His "friend", Raffles, who was aware of his spying on the house, decides to greet the new neighbours to finally see what they are like. Upon doing so, Travis falls in love with Eliza at first sight. Travis begins to get interested in her and attempts to talk to her, and in doing so, Travis discovers her secret, that make things just plain weird.

A sci-fi, romance, comedy and thriller all at once: This book is sweet, funny, and simply quite a thrill to read. Can be slightly confusing for some readers, nonetheless, everything is well explained by the loveable characters.

Tom Upton's skill for storytelling are so good, once may not be enough.

Lui:)

Andria Potter says

I liked it

In the book, Travis says the first honest thing that comes to mind when he first meets Eliza, and my first thought is: I liked it. It was weird, quirky, totally out there, and very unusual from any other fantasy book that I have read. Needless to say, Tom Upton is another author to look forward to in the world of science fiction. 4/5 stars.

Kenechi Udogu says

Call me bonkers for liking this book as much as I did but, sometimes, we need to put away our English-teacher-high-and-mighty-hats and embrace a highly imaginative story for what it is. If you can ignore the errors (okay, okay there were quite a few which could have been caught) and you're into fun, simple yet totally wacky Sci-fi (don't ask how it manages to do all three), you'll like this one. I certainly did!

Wanda says

A wild ride of a story! Definitely a good read. I loved the characters, especially Eliza, who is nutty and very loveable.

This novel is highly imaginative. The author is a remarkable story-teller. While Just Plain Weird is basically a young adult romance, it is also so much more than that. I read the book twice and marvelled at the story as much the second time as the first.

PhilipTheWise says

This is really a fascinating novel. Not only does it have all the things that make a great book, but it is refreshingly different from other young adult novels on the market.

Mr. Upton certainly has a wonderful imagination, and I, for one, am hoping that one day there might be a sequel to Just Plain Weird.

Alyssa says

Lots of grammar and spelling mistakes but it was so great I didn't care!!!

Sarah*freak...* Johnson says

Good book , good book ;D