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When renowned psychologist and best selling author Elizabeth Stewart first noticed Joshua Miller standing at the back of her audience she thought the tall, muscular man dressed like a lumberjack was in the wrong room. Little did she know, Joshua would defy everything she ever wrote about relationships. Little did she know, he was also the key to her survival.

Three-Year Rule Details

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Frank Carpa says

WOW! This is more than a romance, it's not erotica which I found refreshing. It's a suspense about a self help author who decides to have a fling with a guy who's totally not her type. She begins to fall for him just as a stalker enters her life.

The setting is high up in the mountains with bear, wolves and all the dangerously exciting things the mountains have to offer. The side romance between her assistant and the local sheriff is endearing. He's a widower- I love her comment when she is cautioned about his loss. Read it and you'll love it too.

Well written.

Melissa Marlow says

Three year Rule by Alaina Stanford

Elizabeth Stewart a renowned psychologist and bestselling author is giving one of her speeches when she sees him. He is rugged, muscled, and male so he must be in the wrong room.

He happens to be the contractor that was building her new home on the land her uncle had left to her, but their first meeting they ended up in bed. Can they keep the business, business, and the personal, personal?

Possibly but outside sources push them together when a stalker comes in and threatens he wellbeing, driving him to insanity.

Katerina says

Was this a romance book?

No, too little emotion, romance and anything that goes with it...

Was this a suspense novel?

There was a villain, but all the why's were left unanswered...

This was a book, which seriously needed some editing, with characters I couldn't relate to and which overall was a waste of my time!

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- Thanks, Cam x

shirley boone says

Love in the Mountains

I don't usually read or like anything with mystery or suspense, but I got into this book and couldn't put it down. I did have a suspect of the "bad guy", but I didn't get it right. Good book. I didn't give the book a five star because it was a mystery, and as I said, I don't like them. If you do, Ms. Stanford is a very good author. Maybe you should give her work a try.

Jodi says

0 stars. So poorly written. Just glad was free. Why was it even published

Pam says

The Three Year Rule is by Alaina Stanford. It is book 1 of the Rule series. It is a romance and a suspenseful plot. It is a very good book and makes for a great summer read.

Elizabeth Stewart is a psychologist and a writer. Her last book is based on the idea of each person having a pseudo personality that comes to light during the romance period and may not retreat and allow the true personality come out for nearly three years. She encourages the women who come to hear her speak about her book to wait three years before marrying to make sure the personality their spouse has is one they can live with. At the end of this last talk, she meets her agent, Franklin who introduces her to Joshua Miller who is going to build her home in the mountains. She and Joshua go out for dinner to a bar where she ends up dancing with Joshua and getting more and more attracted to him and they end up in bed. The next morning, her assistant Amy Rothchild arrives with Elizabeth's dog Charlie. They go to a secluded cabin where they will live until her house is built. Strange and scary things begin to happen at the cabin. Is it kids just trying to scare them or something more sinister?

Joshua and his friend and sheriff Randy Connor are determined to find out what is going on and at the same time protect Elizabeth and Amy. In addition, Joshua has to keep up with the building of Elizabeth's house and take care of his two children after their mother brings them home. He relies quite a bit on his dog Kilo to protect Elizabeth and Charlie. Will Kilo make a difference? Can they keep the women safe?

Brianne Whitley says

This was a good book! I loved watching all four of the main characters change throughout the book. There was drama, romance, shootings, and much more! I can't imagine going through what Emily and Amy went through. I also can't imagine what Josh or Randy went through either. I don't want to get into too much detail about what happens to the characters, since this would give some surprises away! RicThis was a good book!

V says

I liked this book. There were a couple of points in this book that I wanted to strangle Beth, but she redeemed herself nicely. I figured out part of the twist early on, but not the full thing. This has a little bit for everyone, romance, suspense, sexy talk (no real sex scenes which was a bit refreshing for me compared to what I have been reading). this is a great read.

Mummy Cat Claire says

I enjoyed this story but the editing was obvious by red marks and half the time I disagreed with it. My copy had many mistakes in it, too many to bother marking on my kindle.

The author also struggled with inconsistencies. For example, the name of the son changed back and forth throughout the book, then the main character was previously married but later she never married.

The book takes place primarily in Utah somewhere, which was cool. The author never places the characters in a particular town. By the end of the book I was able to pin point a state when previously I thought they were in Idaho or Wyoming.

There is mention of Utah General Hospital which I got a laugh about since there is no such hospital.

The premise of the book is about a psychologist turned author that only believes in marriage after three years of dating. The book goes into her reasons but the characters ability to think like a psychologist bugged me. She came off as a fake. *shrugs*

Overall, the story was okay. I figured out the stalker very early on which was kind of a bummer. I probably wouldn't recommend this book because of the editing problems, assuming they were not fixed in the kindle version, which is my version. If this book is free then try it but don't bother purchasing it from Amazon, it wasn't that good.

Lastly, I hate the cover.

Content: The book is clean, at least in my opinion. There are no sex scenes but the characters become naked. There is one. "F" bomb. There is animal violence and talk of animal abuse.

Gary Williams says

The author spends the first chapter introducing the main character as a lady that writes about the 'Pseudo persona' that we think another person wants us to be when we first meet them... and then goes straight to work with that concept. This is the second book I've read from this author, and she seems to have a fascination with - and a gift for - defining the characters once, and then redefining them again. It definitely makes for interesting reading.

I've said elsewhere that I'm not much of a fan of romance - if I can actually see it - but I'm very happy for it to hold the story together, invisibly (which it probably almost always does in the most captivating books). I could push through the few times the romance became visibly exposed, waiting for some more technically interesting action (like the potential explosion when a character reverts from their more palatable 'Pseudo persona' back to their normal, less congenial self).

It was half-way through the book before the book took a thrilling twist... leaving me exposed to some of the romance aspects a tiny but too long... but, once that kicked in, it was worth the wait. It was like boiling a frog - where the creature doesn't notice the cold water gradually warming. I hadn't noticed the gradual increase of

pace until about three quarters through, after which time I read the remainder, without putting it down, with white knuckles!

Now I realise this author has another tool in her arsenal - it gradually became the same race against time that I experienced in her 'hypnotic journey' series. It turns out this book has well and truly enough thrills for someone as allergic to romance as me!

Jamie Rhodes says

I enjoyed this book. There was romance, mystery, and friendship inside. Josh and Beth share a wonderful first date. She is an author who believes that it takes three years to really know someone. Josh is out to prove her wrong. We get another story within in this story as well. We find Randy and Amy falling in love as well. Add some mystery to the romance and you have a book that you don't want to put down. No cliffhanger. Dual point of views.

Sue says

I like to finish what I start but I should have dropped this one

I made it all the way to the end and it never got any better. The premise was ridiculous. There were holes in the story that were not explained and there were fabulous twists that couldn't happen in a million years. Wolf packs do not hunt humans in Utah. It's never the local sheriff's job to lure wildlife away from town. You can't attack someone by tricking a bear into breaking into their home. The bad guy turned out to be the first person you suspected! Waste of time - pass on this one.

Lesley Book Lover says

An enjoyable read, a few errors, I would give this author another try at a later date.

Randa says

Good fun

This is a really quite decent book looking at how relationships form, how rules have exceptions, & how a romance novel can be about more than just "quivering members". The characters are shown to be fairly three-dimensional, despite the brevity of the piece & the number of characters. I'm really looking forward to reading more from this series.

I would suggest this for people who want some plot in their romance, or who are just starting to turn from general fiction to something sexier.

I absolutely must point out potential Triggers.

Stalking, gun violence, intentional injury to animals, death, violation of property, serial killer, hunting.
