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It's London's senior year and she only needs one class to graduate. She just didn't expect her final assignment: fall in love.

Communication 224 has a reputation for giving out the most unique projects of the semester. When London James and Beau Anderson signed up for the class they had no idea they would be paired up together, much less spend an entire semester working on their final grade.

Professor Garcia tasks them to produce a study on the hit reality show, Love Match, a show about strangers falling in love on over the top dates. London and Beau decide to debunk the popular show's fantasy portrayal of romance. Determined they can date the entire semester and not fall for each other, the classmates share blogs about their dates and start a website where everyone can follow their dating experiment.

Is staying out of love as easy as it seems? Headstrong and success-driven London discovers there might be more important things in life than an A.

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From Reader Review London Falling for online ebook

Christy LoveOfBooks says

I initially saw *London Falling* on Book Briefs and thought it sounded fun, but just not something I wanted to read at that time. Fast forward a little more than a year later and I remembered the book but couldn't remember the title, so I had to email Michelle so she could point me in the right direction. Yeah, I was hunting this sucker down! Eventually I got ahold of the book and read it. Was it worth all that effort? Yes, I think so. It didn't knock my socks off, but it was still cute and a lot of fun; which is what I wanted.

I'm not a fan of shows like *The Bachelor*, but I really enjoyed how it was incorporated in this book. For their assignment, London and Beau set out to prove that people don't fall in love in situations like that by simulating the dates on a dating show. I liked how they set up their dates and watching them play out, but I wish we got to see more of what they said in the blog they kept for the assignment, especially after they made certain arrangements. It would have been interesting to see what they were saying to the world compared to how they were really feeling.

I liked both London and Beau, their dynamic together was really good most of the time. It was fun when they got along, especially when they would push each other to try things they normally wouldn't. There were a couple of rough patches, though. I wasn't really feeling it when he'd get upset with her anytime she mentioned California or the blog after a certain point, he'd run off or cut her off, but then said she needed to open up and discuss things with him. How is she supposed to discuss anything if he wouldn't let her? It was kind of weird.

Despite a couple of issues, I thought *London Falling* was good. I'm glad I read it, and would read another book by this author.

Chelsea (Starbucks & Books Obsession) says

I absolutely adored this book and loved every minute of it. It has such a fun and unique plot but it was also sweet, romantic and emotional. The chemistry between London and Beau was beautifully written and their journey of love was full of both tender and heartbreaking moments.

London is a senior in college and one class away from her dream of moving to California to pursue an acting career. I liked her and how motivated and hardworking she was. She is also a loyal and caring friend and I felt like that said a lot about her character. She is confident and self-assured so her constant fumbling around Beau was cute and funny. I liked how open Beau was with London and he definitely wore his heart and his feelings on his sleeve. London was a little less transparent and she definitely said the wrong thing a time or two to cause strife between her and Beau. It seemed like London cared more about the grade than her relationship with Beau and I could definitely see how he would interpret her actions. I felt like he gave up on them too soon but I understood that he was just trying to protect his heart because his actions didn't match his words and actions always speak louder.

This was one of the more fun plots that I have encountered in a while and it is half the reason I loved this book so much. The idea that they have to disprove that you can fall in love by going on dates similar to Love Match (a bachelor type show). The dates they went on were so fun and entertaining and it's easy to see how they could fall for each other, even when they're trying to prove it's not possible. The turning point in their relationship was so romantic and I definitely fell for Beau in that moment. I loved that he cared about

London more than anything, including his grade on the project. I know London felt the same but sometimes it takes losing something to make you realize what you really want. She so was so sure about her path and what and where she wanted to go but meeting Beau made her question everything. Realizing how much she cared about him, I loved watching her win him back.

Seriously, this book was a much needed breath of fresh air in the contemporary category and I needed that. The writing was really fantastic and the plot flowed so well. The characters were developed well and I definitely had an emotional attachment to them. The moments of passion between Beau and London were so tender and sweet and I really liked that. I also really liked London's roommate and best friend, Nina, and I'm hoping her and Andrew might get their own story.

An eARC was provided to me in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Cora Tea Party Princess says

5 Words: Fiesty, love, laughs, reality, conflict.

I may be taking part in the tour, but I had this pre-ordered anyway well before it. And how glad I am that I did.

I'm often a bit hit-and-miss with New Adult - unfortunately it's usually a miss. But London Falling has somewhat redeemed New Adult books in my eyes. I really really enjoyed this read. I had a huge smile on my face the whole time I was reading.

London Falling is a sweet and slightly steamy romance which slowly and subtly grows and changes as the relationships between the characters develop.

Angie Elle says

*****This book was provided by the author in exchange for an honest review.*****

London Falling is a sweet story of a young man and woman who get partnered together in a college communication class.

London is an overachiever who can't wait to graduate and flee to Los Angeles—but to do that, she needs an A in the class. Beau's taking it because he heard there's no homework.

London and Beau were both likable characters. London was a semi-celebrity on campus for her starring roles in plays, and Beau was making a name for himself as 'the blogger with the bucket list.' London was a bit uptight in her quest for an 'A,' but it was so much fun to read her character. Beau was much more laid back.

I really liked that London wasn't as aware of Beau's insane attractiveness as other girls, and that it wasn't until she started getting to know him that he was able to knock her off her game and make her feel a bit awkward. They developed a real connection instead of insta-attraction, and it was such a refreshing change of pace from other books I've read recently.

There were so many fun scenes in this book—from London and Beau getting so hot and heavy they nearly go up in flames (literally!) to my favorite—'the hometown date,' where London takes Beau home to meet her family, and he nearly forgets about her. There were so many sweet, belly-laughing scenes in this book!

London Falling was fun read about two people who find love when they are least expecting it. This is a great book if you are looking for a quick, sweet read that will leave you with a smile on your face!

Anna says

London is in her last semester of college, and her last requirement to graduate is a communications class. An A in this class means that she has earned her parent's support in moving to LA and exploring her passion of acting as a career. The communications class is notoriously unique and the projects are often immersive. This year, the instructor is having the students explore reality television and they are paired off and asked to explore a specific show using the theories discussed in class. London is paired with Beau Anderson and they are given the show Love Match (which is pretty much exactly like The Bachelor). London and Beau set out to show that going on fancy dates doesn't make people fall in love. The problem arises as they spend time together and realize that they are very attracted to one another and are now in a position where they have to decide how to deal with their feelings for one another without messing up their research project or messing up their hypothesis.

There was definitely some predictability here, but I didn't really care. I read this book straight through when I picked it up. I really liked the characters and it was fun to spend time with them. Despite the elements of deception that were going on with regard to the project, I liked that London and Beau were honest with each other as they struggled their way through a difficult situation. London was a complex person and it was interesting to see her so confident in certain areas of her life, and nervous in others. Beau was extremely likable, and it was easy to see how London could develop feelings for someone who had so many interests that were different from hers. Seeing them spend time together and trying each other's dates with an open mind was really fun. I also enjoyed the story lines that went along with the friends' characters, and watching how they supported each other through difficult situations. Overall, this was an enjoyable read, and I would gladly read more by this author in the future.

Christine Alibutud says

5 LOVE-MATCHED STARS!!!!!!

"Because when you're in love, there's nothing you want more than to see that person every day and every night. They are the why for your sudden smile. They are the reason for new chances you're willing to take. They inspire you to be more, to be better, and to be real. Loving someone isn't a hobby or a project—it's part of your being."

Everyone knows that nothing can go wrong with having fake dates with a hot dude!!! **RIGHT?????**

Straight-A student and aspiring actress London James doesn't know what's in store for her when she is partnered with hot and funny Beau Anderson for their Communication 224 project.

But it's not just an ordinary pair assignment. They are tasked to prove if there is any reality in reality TV. Having picked *Love Match*, a show wherein a bachelor or bachelorette goes on different dates with the contestants and by the end of every show, one is eliminated until that certain bachelor or bachelorette only picks one by the end of the series. (for short, think of *The Bachelor* or *The Bachelorette*).

Both of them agree to creatively do their project by actually imitating the show and them going on fake dates.

They are both eager to prove that reality TV is fake, especially something like *Love Match*. Both of them are so sure in proving that a person can't simply truly fall in love by just going on romantic dates, like the ones shown in this reality show.

Alas, they embark on their own *Love Match*. Fakes dates here, fake dates there, fake dates EVERYWHERE!

But we all know what happens when a boy and a girl start going on fake dates.....it becomes not fake at all!

Oh yeah!! Definitely a good read!! This book also made me want to create my own bucketlist (but I'm just so lazy to even create a list, let alone do stuff that's on the list). Anyway, I also liked how some of the things that Beau listed in his bucket list were incorporated on their fake-slash-real dates. Plus, loved the characters and the different settings of their dates.

Some of my favorite moments:

The fake BUT sweet dates

Their accomplishment of the bucket list!!

The I-can't-fake-it-anymore moment!

The I-want-it-to-be-real moment!

The funny moments!

The steamy moments!

The sweet moments!

AND LESSON LEARNED DEAR READERS! HAHAAHHAHAHAHA

Anyway, this is my first T.A. Foster book and I loved it!!!

FicCentral says

Straight A student London James needs just one more class to graduate from UNC and head off to L.A. to begin her acting career. But the nutty professor of Communication 224 gives just one grade for one project, and it's a lot more complicated than it sounds. With another student as her partner, she has to *live* the project, immersing herself in the reality show world of perfect, unreal, romantic dates. The goal? To prove that rose petals and champagne can't manufacture romance. If only it were that simple.

She's spent the past four years of school immersed in acting, spending her weekends in the basement with the rest of the drama crew, working on their series of productions. She's dated a few fellow drama geeks, but nothing to write home about, and the last thing she needs is to be saddled with a partner who doesn't take perfect grades as seriously as she does. After all, if she makes less than an A, her parents won't support her move to L.A.

Beau Anderson is a typical college guy, exactly the kind she's never been interested in. He goes to parties, watches sports, lives with video game junkies, and has never even seen one of London's plays. But he's easy to talk to, fun to be around, and keeps coming up with perfect date plans. Suddenly her fake boyfriend feels a lot more real than either one of them intended.

Gorgeous cover. At first, I was wondering how a beach scene had anything to do with UNC -- I mean, it's not like Chapel Hill is anywhere near a beach. But then the break happened, and guess where our two love birds ended up? *Insert girly sigh here* Granted, I could have done without that font -- it's not nearly as bad as Papyrus, but it's still way overused. Still a lovely pic, though, with beautiful colors and totally fitting for the book.

Loved it! It's a fun, sweet romance that somehow manages to avoid all the cliched trappings of so many novels in this genre. So many romances have a couple at odds who finally give into their attraction, followed by a jealous misunderstanding or some angsty mess where one or both are unwilling to admit their feelings, followed by the guy rushing in to sweep the girl off her feet with some uber-romantic declaration. But this book has something far better than that!

London may be a theater geek, but she's no wallflower, and for all his typical boyishness, Beau is a far cry from the binge drinking jock one might expect. She's not saving his grades, and he's not showing her how to cut loose. They're just two people with very different interests who find a common ground and one hell of

an attraction. I loved that London is proud of who she is, and while she may be studious, she doesn't naturally assume she's any less of a catch than any other girl on campus. And when the angst kicks in, she doesn't even think about giving up. Instead, she goes after what she wants -- Beau, of course. The result is a story that serves up a fun, sweet, somewhat complicated romance with just the right amount of drama to keep you turning the pages. This is one author who's going on my watch list!

Gabic Reads says

Original review at Gabic Reads as part of the London Falling Blog Tour.

London Falling is a cute story about two people trying not to fall in love. London needs an A in this class so her parents will pay her way to California and Beau is just taking it because he heard it was easy. Everybody in the class is assigned a partner and a reality show. They're suppose to decided whether or not the show is true to life or just Hollywood fluff. London and Beau are assigned Love Match, a Bachelor/Bachlorette type show.

London was pretty cool. She was smart and knew exactly what she wanted in life. She's just kind of awkward around guys. Beau is the author of a blog that's well known around campus, particularly for the bucket list of things to do before you graduate. He seems utterly ordinary to London and she admits that it never would have even occurred to her to date, let alone fall in love, with an ordinary guy like him. That's the thing I liked most about the book. The fact that it brought two people together who never would have even become friends under ordinary circumstances.

There were a couple of things I didn't understand though. They're task was to prove or disprove reality TV shows, not just disprove. So when they fell in love, it would have been okay for them to put that on the blog, even if it contradicted their hypothesis. That's the beauty of science. I got the feeling though that it was more London's perfectionist personality that prevented them from doing that. I also wished that London and Beau would have talked about their families a bit more. Especially before they went to London's parent's house, because they kind of popped up out of the blue.

If you like cute romances, then London Falling is definitely the book for you.

Michelle says

London Falling is based around a class project. And I have to say, that professor seems more than a little eccentric, but so cool! I loved the way she structured her class and the projects that they had to do. It was a communications and social media class, and each group of partners was assigned a different reality tv show and they had to use the different communication theories that they learned in the class to create a hands on semester long project based on their show. And being a bit of a reality tv show junkie, I ate it all up. The show that London and Beau got was Love Match, which is basically exactly like The Bachelor and The Bachelorette. Which, incidentally, is one of the few reality shows that I have never watched, but I know the concept of it. London and Beau both think the show is stupid and can't possibly be real so they create a blog and set out to prove that you can't force people to fall in love with each other by just by making them go on

these crazy dates.

London Falling is such a fun book. London and Beau seem to be complete opposites on first glance. London is totally focused and Beau is so free and fun-loving. Beau is a well known campus blogger at the college and his senior "bucket list" is like a personal mission of his. I loved that they each worked items from his bucket list into their dates. I thought that was such a cute addition to the story. I really enjoyed the dynamic of London and Beau. They each pushed each other. I could tell right away that Beau was really falling for London. In fact, everyone could tell except her. The book is told completely from her POV so we only get her take on things, but TA Foster does such a great job with her characterizations that I still felt like I got some of Beau's point of view and his feelings. I really felt like I got to know him just as well as I got to know London and that is impressive from a single narrative book.

I don't want to spoil anything in the book. I was a little sad about a couple of the decisions they made with regards to their project and I was a little more than sad at a few of the choices they each made in their personal lives because I became so invested in the thought of London and Beau together. But the way everything plays out in the book is kind of perfect. Even though I was sad a couple of times, I wouldn't change a thing.

London Falling takes you on all kinds of ups and downs. Fake feelings, real feelings, hurt feelings, oh my! I was rooting for London and Beau from day one and I also was rooting on their project being a success. This book was every bit addictive as a reality show. Bring on the guilty pleasures!

Aneesa says

Ah romance! :)

This book was not what I expected at all, I mean you could tell synopsis that London and Beau would have sizzling chemistry but not like this!

It starts off both Beau and London being paired for Comms class and hearing that Professor Garcia's class is an easy A which is very important for London to maintain and get. We find out later in the book why as she has an agreement with her parents. Her family is nothing like what I expected, very easy going.

Beau and London's relationship are similar like magnets, they repel each other but exactly what the other needs. A match made in heaven.

(view spoiler)

There were a few moments in the book when I wanted to scream at London for making the wrong choices, it was about time when she realised love conquers all!

Kristen says

Bachelor and Bachelorette Fans This Ones For YOU ?

My Oh My! This was a fun read! This book has the cutest story line! Much of America is obsessed with reality T.V. Be it those duck men, men cutting down trees, working on cars, surviving on an island or trying to find the love of your life, WE.WATCH.IT. (Oh wait not me. I quit T.V. No really I did! For the most part that is!)

London is trying to finish up her Senior year of college with one last class. A communications class with a teacher that thinks out of the box. This year she has her students pair up and live out a reality show in their real lives. London is assigned hottie Beau as a partner and the show women of America go crazy for. You know the one with the amazing dates, 25 women/men vying for one and of course those coveted roses. They blog their dates as the student body follows along. They plan to prove that you can not really fall in love like this and that the show is a fraud.

London Falling is a fresh new story for fans of the New Adult genre! It's funny, sexy, sweet and pure reading entertainment at it's best!

Unabridged Bookshelf says

London Falling is a beautiful story about reality, love, and the unexpected. Reality television has more often than not the feeling of being stage or even scripted. London James thought the same when her professor assigns s her and her Communications 224 partner, Beau to analyze and be the reality dating show “Love Match.” London and Beau decide that just going on highly over the top dates based off the ones on the show is not enough to bring out real romantic feelings.

London is a Straight-A student, who only needs Communication 224 to graduate and she is determined to keep her Straight-A status. Beau maybe pre-law, but he is a live in the moment and experience life type of person. London cannot see herself falling in love on a few dates with someone like Beau right before graduation and leaving for California. This seems like a slam-dunk way to end college, but it may not be as easy as it seems as Beau opens London up to new experiences.

I liked the way “Love Match” was incorporated into the story and actually becomes an integral part of London and Beau’s story and relationship. London has been so focused on her stuffing and theatre that she never had the “normal” college experience. While I admire her focus and drive, I think Beau is a perfect balance for her. Beau makes London stop and experience life around her. Falling in love with Beau is not in London’s plan and it could cause her to fail Communications 224.

London Falling is a delightful story and does not completely revolve around the experiment keeping the story fresh. I liked the story development and T.A. Foster is writing style. I would most defiantly read something by her again.

Unabridged Bookshelf received this book, in exchange for an honest review

Emma says

using today's obsession with reality tv shows in a brilliantly carried out concept

Reading books like this that feature such fun assignments always makes me a little envious of the college courses available in the US as opposed to the more traditional projects we undertake in the UK *sigh*.

London Falling uses today's obsession with reality TV programs as an ingenious basis for the story. Making the students undertake a project based on one of the myriad of reality TV shows around at the moment, the aim to prove/disprove the hypothesis that the events portrayed in these shows could occur in the real world. Personally, I would go with the stance that no they couldn't. However, having to recreate a series of romantic dates would surely have an effect on even the most hardened cynic ;)

On the surface, London and Beau appear complete opposites; London is very driven and single-minded, focussing on her dream of becoming an actress to the exclusion of all else. She hasn't taken the time to enjoy her college years having to prove herself to her parents. High grades are among the stipulations of pursuing her dream. Beau on the other hand is rather an enigma, his laid back persona is at odds with his career choice, lawyer, until you get to know his background.

Beau shows London how to enjoy herself, testing her boundaries with their fun dates. They bring out the best in each other which makes London's often callous remarks without thought to Beau's feelings even more cutting. I honestly felt that it was a defence mechanism for London, she hasn't been in a situation that has made her question her future and her feelings before and it scares her. To be fair Beau isn't exactly mister open about his feelings either. This is only exasperated by their assignment, although it brought them together their stance now has the opposite effect, having to keep their developing relationship hidden and worse pretend they don't have feelings for each other adds to the apprehension within the narrative.

The character development alongside the brilliantly executed plot make London Falling a riveting read. Not to be missed :) Now if only I had someone to plan dates like that for me ;)

Emmy says

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So having just finished the first season of the show UnReal, a behind the scenes look at a Bachelor-like show (so good btw), this book caught my interest. I loved how the show showed how manufactured everything actually was. So I thought this would be an interesting new take on that.

Straight A student, actress London gets paired with adventurous, social blogger Beau on their Comm 224 project, to analyze the show Love Match. Having not watched the Bachelor I'm pretty sure Love Match is essentially the same show. A bachelor or bachelorette goes on a series of over the top dates with a dozen or so potential mates.

London and Beau decide to disprove the theory that romantic situations can inspire romantic feelings by going on a series of similar dates themselves. Ok, kind of interesting. But after a few dates, they start to have feelings for each other. And decide they are going to fail this project. And this is where the story started falling apart for me. Umm, one of you is a straight A student. Do you not understand how an experiment works? You make a hypothesis and it's either proved or disproved. You don't fail if it's disproved.

****Beware spoilers****

But whatever. They decide to date in secret and continue their experiment as if they hadn't fallen for each other. They date for a while until they have an argument about the project and Beau breaks things off since London's plan after graduation in a few weeks is to move to LA to become an actress anyway. London admits everything to her professor and here it lost me further. The professor's solution to her student's broken heart because of her weird assignment, it to continue the project but secretly chronicle her real feelings and see if she can get Beau to have feelings for her again. What?! This makes little sense to me. We know he has feelings for her already. What kind of theory are you trying to prove now?

****End spoilers****

And then almost every interaction between Beau and London from here on out made little sense to me. I didn't understand their huge swings in behavior with one another and their arguments for/about their relationships didn't make complete sense to me. I had trouble emphasizing where either was coming from.

Beyond their relationship there were certain details within the story that bothered me. Not deal breakers, but these little inconsistencies bothered me a bit.

Sarah says

This book has it all!! It's fast paced, sexy, and even comedic at times. Although the college days are a thing of the distant past for this reader, I found myself completely immersed in this college romance story. I could not get enough of main character and heartthrob, Beau Anderson, and enjoyed living vicariously through this story's lead sweetheart, London James.

London and Beau meet their senior year, when they're chosen to be partners in an awkward class project that forces them to get to know each other better. This story completely captures the excitement and seduction that a new relationship brings, with also the humor of reality television and modern love stories we all get a little too wrapped up in. As a side note, if you're a Bachelor fan, you'll love this book, and all the inside jokes shared by the bachelor nation. If not, you'll still enjoy the occasional humor mixed in with the smoking hot romance between these characters.

T.A., I am a HUGE fan of the Ivy Grace series, and you certainly did not disappoint with this new addition to your collection. I can't wait to see what you do next!!