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Do not adjust your set. That really was Casey Greene being jilted by her fiance on live TV And that really was Memphis's most eligible bachelor who stepped in to marry her instead!

Millionaire businessman Adam Carmichael wanted only to help Casey save face. He isn't prepared for the news that their "fake" wedding is legal and binding.

While they secretly wait for an annulment, media and family scrutiny forces them to put on their best loving-couple act. Except by now, neither one is quite sure who's acting....

## **Married By Mistake Details**

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### Suzie Quint says

I enjoyed this. Marriage of convenience is on of my favorite tropes but it's easy to mess it up with a set-up of unbelievable circumstances. I bought this. I liked the couple a lot.

My favorite part? When he says, "Are you sure you're a pushover? Because I'm not seeing it."

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### April says

Freebie from Harlequin, and a cute book. The reality show angle doesn't really work well for me, though, because it decreases the believability of the situation and because I have a very strong feeling that only the worst types of people sign up for that sort of thing. It's a clever way to get two almost complete strangers to be married by mistake, though; the hero, to save the heroine from public humiliation, agrees to "marry" her when her boyfriend turns down her live televised marriage proposal. He gets an employee to "marry" them so that it's only an act for TV and not a real minister actually marrying two people, but by some legal twist, it turns out they're actually married because the employee has something in his background that qualifies him to legally marry people in their town.

Of course, in real life, no reality show producer would ever let himself get that involved, not in front of a camera. In fact, people who make reality shows actually encourage all the drama and conflict we all see in those shows (humiliation included!), and even if there isn't any, they'll edit the footage so that it appears there is more drama and conflict than there actual is. That's why the reality show angle didn't work for me. The producers would have actually been excited by the rejection. Furthermore, the show never would have been done LIVE.

That said, beyond the beginning and a tiny part of the middle, I barely remember the rest of the story. I've no doubt it ends as all romances do, with the hero and the heroine together, but the fact that I don't remember the details means that I didn't feel strongly about the book or the characters either way.

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### Leona says

This was a very cute read, but at times a bit too sweet for my taste. The story opens when the heroine, Casey, decides to go on a TV reality show to get her reluctant fiancé, Joe, to finally marry her. Seems like Casey is a bit desperate to marry Joe and he seems to be dragging his feet on his way to the HEA. Unfortunately, Joe refuses Casey on the air and she get's jilted in front of thousands of people.

Adam who owns the studio decides to step in to help her save face as well as potentially avoid any impending lawsuits over this debacle. Seems the producer of the show (Adam's loser cousin) was a little in over his head when he concocted up the reality show. Adam jumps in with both feet believing that the marriage is fake. To his chagrin, he finds out that the marriage is legit having been performed by an ex-congressman who can legally marry anyone. For reasons of their own, they decide to stay in the marriage for a month and then go forward for an annulment. Of course, the story is about how they connect and find that their marriage is anything but a mistake.

I found that I really liked the premise of the story because I tend to get easily reeled in by the TV reality shows that are permeating the air waves these days. I also really enjoyed the writing style. It flowed beautifully and was very easy to read. I also enjoyed the fact that it wasn't one of those angst filled, "I hate you" kind of books. Though, Casey and Adam clearly wanted different things out of love and marriage, they truly respected and liked one another..and I found that to be a very welcome change of pace. However, I ended rating this only three stars because:

1) I had a very hard time connecting with either the hero or heroine. To me, the hero was too detached and emotionally stunted for my taste. The heroine was cute, but a little too self-sacrificing.

2) I also felt it dragged a bit in the middle and I actually found myself putting it down to read other things. It wasn't one of those, I can't put it down books that I have come to love in my category romances.

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### **Dianne says**

This is what I absolutely adore about books from this line--you expect cute, sexy, funny and well written and that is EXACTLY what you get. Well almost always!

I have to tell you that lately nothing I pick up to read has been holding my interest, let alone amusing me. So I held out little hope for this book. I have this stubborn streak that says 'if it is cheap or free it can't be good'. Don't ask me why I feel that way -I guess I'm just brainwashed. And this book proves me wrong on all counts.

I picked it up late last night expecting to be bored and was immediately sucked into the story. Not because the story is all that fresh or original...but for a lot of things. The characters, even when at their worst are quite likable and sympathetic, the plotting is nice a fairly tight, the narrative is interesting, there is no excess of uber angst filled broody annoying characters. The characters actually carry on conversations---dialogue -they discuss things instead of taking the tragic way out and holding everything inside.

I loved this book -as simple and cute as it was it just hits the spot for a fast fun, funny read after a long day of hell!

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### **Kesha says**

Very cute and romantic read. Its a Harlequin but the hero, Adam, is not an asshole but he does make some mistakes and say the wrong things a couple of times. The heroine, Casey, is not a virgin but she is a complete pushover when it comes to her father and sister.

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### **Jessica's Book Review says**

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Married by Mistake is about 25 year-old Casey who went on reality TV to get her longtime boyfriend to

finally marry her. Casey was only settling for Joe. First because they have been together for 8 years and this is what you're suppose to do next and second to get away from her family who treats her more like a nanny/housekeeper than a grown woman. Joe turns her down, breaks her heart but TV executive Adam is there. He sees a beautiful women getting her heart broken but most importantly he sees his TV station going down due to the "the best" of the wedding reality show. Adam takes Joe's place, marrying Cassie thinking it is only a "fake" wedding... turns out it is for real. Adam and Cassie agree to use their marriage to benefit bot their needs only for a month then annual their wedding.... but of course it doesn't exactly play out that way.

I enjoyed moments of the story. I really liked the idea of the book and the writing and dialogue was well written. The book is very short and i just felt a lot more feelings and emotions should of been written in the story. I kept feeling like I wasn't getting the entire picture from Cassie or Adam and did not understand their attraction for each other. I guess because the reader was left with not much to go on. Though the writing was well written, I felt like some of the writing sounded out dated.

I give Married by Mistake 2.5 stars. I give it an A for effort and storyline but over all it all just felt generic and predictable. It's a good read if you're looking for something short without having to think much as you read.

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### **Cathy (cathepsut) says**

A freebie from Harlequin Superromance. Not my usual fare, but I needed a change. The usual, predictable storyline. Goodlooking girl, not too bright, not a lot of money, meets gorgeous, assertive and most eligible millionaire. They accidentally get married and decide to stay that way, at least for a while, to get their annoying families off their backs. They have the usual misunderstandings, ups and downs and shenanigans to eventually meander towards that expected ending.

A quick and surprisingly entertaining read. The characters are nicely drawn and they mostly have more than two braincells to rub together. The sideplot of Eloise and Sam was annoying -- she wasn't interested in him at all until it was pointed out to her how handsome he is. All of a sudden she was all aflutter. Seriously? Really that shallow? And women can cook and men are into cars and everybody goes mushy over babies... Don't expect realism, after all it's a Harlequin novel! But as long as you don't take this book too seriously, it's pretty decent for a romance novel.

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### **Vina says**

2 persons who got married by mistake, and fall in love while waiting for the annulment? YES please! Totally enjoyed this story.it was a short, fun, romantic one. Despite being predictable and a bit cheesy I had a hard time putting it down. The characters were lovable and easy to relate to. I was not disappointed in it's ending despite seeing it coming a mile away. The author gave me just what I wanted when I picked up the book, a fast paced & fun love story.

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### **Katherine ??? says**

Bagaimana jika pernikahan bohongan malah menjadi sungguhan? Inilah yg dialami Casey Greene dan Adam

Carmichael. Karena kasihan dan saking impulsifnya, Adam melamar dan menikahi Casey di acara reality show.

Novel ini sebenarnya di awal cerita menjanjikan potensi. Tapi ternyata konflik cuma berkisar pd isu "pemerasan emosional" yg sering dihadapi Casey dan keruwetan ttg permasalahan surat wasiat dari almarhum ayah Adam. Fokus cerita ternyata bukan hanya mengenai Adam dan Casey, tapi jg relationship malu-malu kucing antara Sam (pengacara Adam) dgn Eloise (ibu tiri Adam), menjadikan perkembangan hubungan Adam dan Casey terasa kurang mendalam.

Sayangnya eskalasi relationship Casey dan Adam tidak semenarik yg saya duga. Banyak "lubang" yang tidak tertambal oleh author, seperti mengapa Adam jadi swing mood jika berhadapan dgn Casey. Jika kekurangan-kekurangan tsb ditutup, saya yakin novel ini akan jauh lebih menarik.

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### **May Abbey says**

Over all, this was a charming read. I won't go in detail of the story because you can find that elsewhere, but I will give you my impressions of the characters and likability of it all.

I liked that Casey was sweet and giving. Too often in today's literature, the heroine is bad a\*\* and unrealistically emotionless. The hero also was manly yet a little vulnerable which I liked. They both helped each other grow into a more rounded person.

The side love story, between two older characters, brought a smile to my face.

There were a few things that I wished were different. I tend to like PG books and this was pushing the R rating, though it was pretty tame in today's market of romance. They flirted and kissed, and eventually ... you know ... but then the hero turned on the heroine (most likely worried about his own emotional connection that he felt). I thought the resolve should have been better, I would have been happier if the hero had had to work for Casey's forgiveness a little more than he actually did.

Over all sweet book.

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### **Blodeuedd Finland says**

Casey is a participant on a new tv-show, she has been engaged for many years and she wants her man to take the final step. So she plans for it to happen on live tv, not the best idea because the guy says no and she stands there all alone and heartbroken. She had doubts herself. In steps the owner, Adam, he met her before when he thought she was a runaway bride. He decided to marry her on the show and she says yes. But the marriage he thought would be fake is not and they are married. No way it can work.

Casey is nice, that is her problem, she is too nice, she can't say no, not to her dad, not to her siblings, not to her boyfriend. She has issues. But I do like her. Adam on the other hand is not nice, he is too obsessed with his work. They are so wrong for each other. One cares too deeply, one needs to learn to care more. But at least he has a good start by saving her from humiliation.

But perhaps they can be good for each other, I do think so, and let's face it, this is Harlequin, we all know they will be a HEA. But the road there is long and there will be some bumps.

It has the normal plot, girl meets boy, learning to lie with each other, feeling the heat, falling for the heat, blaming each other, and then perhaps living happily ever after.

It was a cute romance, sweet and easy to read. Took no time at all.

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### **Sruthi says**

Very Good . 4.5

I must admit this is very different and far better than any other routine Harlequin presents , of course the happy ending is the same .

I never expected this book to be hilarious , Never , I was expecting some intimate scenes followed by misunderstandings and then a happy ending . But this totally surprised me . The honeymoon part especially was really hilarious .

There is no past that haunts them . No ghosts from past at least . I enjoyed really really enjoyed reading this book . I finished reading it yday night around 2 am . No regrets , worth the sacrifice of my sleep .

Adam and Casey are such lovely characters . Even the lightest of lightest romantic gestures of Adam were adorable . Well , I may actually make him book husband no 29272828 . Lol but no . I ship Casey and Adam more than anything else . Lets try not to be Selfish ( unlike the selfish couple Adam and Casey \*winks\* )

I may read it again very soon . This is awesome .

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### **Dijana says**

Oh dear! Who wouldn't want to live in this book? Let me make clear some things: the plot is original as a mass produced Gucci bag that comes from a country in Asia with population of over 1.3 billion people.

Now that we got that out of the way, the rules are:

1. You have to be almost virginal
2. You have to be pretty, slender and wear hip hugging skirts/dresses
3. You have to have the personality of a doormat (so your family can send you on regular guilt trips)
4. The guy will start falling for you as soon as you cook 2-3 dinners for him
5. You have to cling to his every word on how to become a 'better' person. He's the guy, he knows best, right?
6. At the end, you get it all. The house, the car, the guy, the baby (that you couldn't previously have) and the dog.

Oh wait, there wasn't a dog. I give up, that is a deal breaker. I wanted a dog.

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### **Nitzan Schwarz says**

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**I am not going to lie - I was surprised by how much I liked this book.** *Married By Mistake* was one of the first kindle freebies I one clicked (though it's no longer free). I'm talking about 2012 here. It's been sitting on my shelf for that long, until finally, due to my Oldies Challenge, I decided to give it a read.

**I wasn't expecting much.** It sounded cute, but nothing else. I'm not sure if it *was* anything but cute, but it was just so...**enjoyable!**

I mean, **I had a hard time stopping.** I just kind of had to know what will happen with Casey and Adam! **These two, they were just so great together.** Even *before* they got to know each other, they were a source of strength. Adam helped Casey stand up to her family, and Casey helped Adam ease up a bit; open up to the good things in his life.

**And a couple that's so great even when they're not, well, exactly a couple, will be amazing together** for reals. If only they would realize that! (which, really, is what this story is all about)

And I loved these two people--both together and individually, because **they were completely flawed in the best way possible**, the kind of way that also allows them to grow, even in a relatively short time (and novel), in a believable way. They weren't perfect, **they made mistakes**, and sometimes, you *really* wanted to shake them.

**Next to them were a few side characters I adored**, such as Eloise and Sam, and I was happy we were given glimpse into their story inside Casey and Adam's.

Truly, one of my better free clicks - to bad it took so long to finally get to reading it!

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**Maritza says**

This was the cutest book! It literally made me laugh out loud as I read it....this book should be a movie it's the perfect rom-com. I could see Josh Duhamel as Adam and Rachel McAdams as Casey...or even Ashton Kutcher with Katherine Heigel....very good storyline and I couldn't put it down....Good Job Abby Gaines!

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