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Lotty Brooks' days consist of avoiding thoughts of her failing marriage, changing diapers, and trying not to eat chocolate brioche for breakfast and lunch. However, everything changes when her perfect, lakeside Montana neighborhood begins bustling with crime and she seems to be the target.

Jason Brooks wants to know what happened to the woman he married. Lotty's a mere shell of her former self. When she becomes the focal point of neighborhood threats, and the town seems to question her innocence, he must decide how well he knows his wife.

As Jason and Lotty try to get to the bottom of the threats and find those responsible, they'll need to remember what they once loved about each other. Otherwise, they may lose everything and everyone they care about.

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Leslie aka StoreyBook Reviews says

This book kept me on the edge of my seat! I did not want to put it down and snuck in a few pages while at work (shhh don't tell my boss!)

I wasn't quite sure what to expect but this mystery/suspense novel has everything you could want - intrigue, a mystery to solve, romance, and even a scheming mother.

Lotty and Jason are like any other couple and have their ups and downs. For most of the book, it is more of a down period due to some misunderstandings. As I read along I wondered why they didn't just talk to each other about what was going on in their relationship. Of course, that would not have made the story as enjoyable.

The mystery was rather intriguing and while I sort of guessed who was involved, it was only because I couldn't pin it on anyone else. The author does a great job of weaving the mystery tale and throwing in many red herrings to throw the reader off track.

Definitely check this book out, you'll be glad you did!

Megan says

[couldn't he have just asked about the filing cabinet to them? If they were such good friends you'd think they'd just let him take a look. (hide spoiler)]

Rachel DeVaughn says

This was such a great mystery drama fiction book! I loved the characters and the steady, unpredictable plot. I read it all in one night because I couldn't put it down. I haven't read anything by this author but I will definitely be looking to read more books by her. I'm hoping this is a mystery series.

I liked the main character Lotty-a strong woman, great mom; but yet like most women insecure in her abilities as a mom and wife wondering if she's doing it right and how to relay her love to her family. She was such an awesome character and I would love to read more stories about her and her family.

This was a great summer read-highly recommend!

I received a copy of this book complimentary for blog and social media review. All opinions are my own.

Emmy says

Lotty's life is falling apart and now their once quiet neighborhood has become overrun with crime, much of which points right back to Lotty. The book takes you for a ride with great twists and turns as Lotty tries to prove her innocence and decide if her marriage is worth saving.

I got sucked into the book very quickly and immediately found myself pulling for Lotty and her husband, wanting things to work out. The book continued at a fast pace and surprised me with twists I did not expect or predict, which I love when a book can do that!

The book is what I call a clean book- free from graphic imagery and language. If you love a good clean murder mystery with relatable real characters, then I definitely recommend this book. This book made my "Can't Put Down" list.

- I was given a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review-

Julie Carpenter says

4.5*

Can I tell you that Lotty had me laughing during the beginning chapters of this book. Ok, I was a little sad as well. There's a whole gamut of emotions running through her mind that takes the reader on a little journey of their own emotions. But, the little humorous quips were great to relieve the more sticky, sadder emotions.

I think many mommas can relate to Lotty. She's a young mother of two kiddos and life hasn't quite turned out like she thought it would. She's trying to figure it all out, but when outside forces wreak havoc on your life, without you even realizing it, life can kinda be hard. Part of the stickier emotions are Lotty and her hubby Jason's relationship. Misunderstandings and sorrows have happened and these two haven't quite figured out how to fix them.

Those moments that had me laughing? Lotty was just funny! The crazy mom moments and her busy body little boy...how many moms can relate? When you think you've got everything under control and plan to go for a run, or make something, or run an errand, or go do something fun, or, or, or...and disaster strikes! Ha! My daughters are all getting older and we're past the little tykes stage (I miss it) and reading about Lotty's kiddos had me laughing and remembering oh so many moments that I thought I had it perfectly planned and my kids decided to show me otherwise. Or the moment when I was trying to potty train a daughter, a brand new puppy (inside dog) and my hubby calls telling me he's expecting a very important call on our house line. Daughter has a major accident (#2), puppy went out to potty and steps in #2 and the phone call comes in...all at the SAME TIME!!! So here I am holding puppy like a baby with her paws out and stinky yuckiness all over her paws, little daughter trying to wipe her stinky yuckiness off of her (really all over her) and the phone cradled between my shoulder and ear. The lady on the other line was very understanding as I told her I was kind of in a moment (hahahahahaha) and was trying to write down all the information that I needed to relay to my hubby (yeah I know why didn't she just call him at work????-who knows I can't remember except that I had to take the call). I got off the phone and got two stinky yuckies cleaned up, called my hubby and relayed info to him and told him my story. He and his secretaries were laughing so hard. At least we could laugh about all the yuckiness! Hee Hee!!!

Ok, I'm not writing this review about my crazy moments but about Lotty's. She thinks she's got things under control when fires and murders start happening. Life turns quickly upside down and Lotty is trying to act and remain as normal as possible.

I was unable to read for a few days and it was killing me not knowing what was going to happen. As soon as I could read again, I dove in and couldn't stop turning pages. I was not at all correct in my assumptions and guesses. How did I not figure it out? I'm usually so much better at catching the bad guy before anybody else

does. But I failed Lotty. Jason on the other hand did not. He came through like a white knight and saved the day! Yay! Jason I was immensely proud of you.

If you're looking for a down to Earth, frazzled mom and kids, not perfect life book with mystery and suspense moving everything forward have fun and pick up this book.

Content: Clean. Some murder (not graphic), some suspense and danger (not graphic).

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Happy Reading!!!

Christi says

The Glamorous Life of a Mediocre Housewife is the messy, crazy life of Lotty Brooks. Lotty is the mom of two beautiful little boys that are very close in age and is trying to keep her sanity while also trying to mend fences with her distant husband. There has been a rift for months and neither Lottie nor her husband Jason know what to do to fix the marriage and both wonder if they're headed for divorce.

To add to Lottie's stress is where she lives: a picturesque lakeside neighborhood where every other mom seems to have it all together. When mysterious occurrences start to happen in their picture perfect neighborhood, including vandalism, arson, and personal threats to Lottie herself, it turns their family upside down and leads them down a road they'd never dreamed they'd be on.

I have to say, this was a cute story! To say that I related to Lottie and her life is an understatement. Being that young mom of two little boys with a crumbling marriage brought back a lot of memories for me. The writer gave Lottie a wonderful sense of humor and I caught myself chucking aloud a few times. The mystery was just enough to keep you interested and there were a few surprising turns even if I did guess who was behind all the crimes early on.

This is my first read by Crissy Sharp but it will not be my last. She has a great writing style and I loved that The Glamorous Life of a Mediocre Housewife was written from both Lottie and her husband Jason's point of views. I can see this being a wonderful series and I can't wait for the next book!

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Tressa (Wishful Endings) says

This was totally unexpected, but in an interesting way. Review to come.

Marci says

I received this book for free in exchange for an honest review.

When I started this book I had very low expectations because it was an author I was not familiar with and it has the phrase "mediocre housewife" in it. At the beginning I was tempted to put the book down, it was sad to hear about a mediocre marriage and the unhappiness Lotty was feeling. Then the mystery started. And oh my goodness, I could NOT stop reading once the neighborhood mystery really began. I couldn't wait to figure out who the bad guy was, and I was actually surprised! This book was not too predictable, I really thought I had solved the case before the end and I was totally wrong! I can't wait to look for other books by this author!

Cathy says

Make sure that you don't do what I did with these books! I read the second one, *The Enemy Next Door and Other Misunderstandings* first. Oops, that made things in that book a bit confusing and it kind of told me the ending of this one too.

I really liked the characters in this one. Most of it is told from the perspective of Lotty. She's a wife to Jason, mother of two adorable boys. But Lotty isn't happy. She thinks that Jason doesn't love her because of something that happened. This thought makes her do all sorts of crazy things, including building her own chicken coop and getting chickens. Strange things are happening in Lotty and Jason's neighborhood and they all seem to center around Lotty. She has no idea why they would, she's just a housewife after all.

I loved the way that Jason, even though he and Lotty are having issues, obviously cares so much about her. He goes out of his way to protect her in the best way he knows how. Especially when it appears that someone is trying to harm her.

This book is full of craziness, suspense and even forgiving. If you love a good suspense novel, this one is for you!

Ashley D says

I was given this book in exchange for an honest review.

This book was real to me. In the beginning, Lotty was really hard on herself and that seems to be the norm for mothers now. Everything they do is never enough. I could also relate to how miscommunication or lack of communication can cause serious marital problems. It made me so sad that they both wanted to have things back to the way they were but neither one was willing to bend because of pride and because of what they thought the other one was thinking and feeling. The crime spree was interesting, I didn't see it coming. The camping trip was my favorite part. This was a clean book, there was no language or love scenes in this book.

Katie W says

Being a mom isn't as glamorous as you might expect, especially when you're struggling with your marriage and life in general. The first part of this story focuses on Lotty and her obvious depression and it can be a bit of a downer, but it also really helped me to connect with her. I think it's safe to say that most moms feel pretty blah towards life at some point and we all just want to be loved and appreciated.

Everyone has friends and neighbors we can count on; we all have insecurities and struggles; we all have ups and downs. I absolutely adored these characters and couldn't get enough of them, but I must admit there were a few times when I wanted to yell at them to just communicate. Although I read to escape life, and this book deals with mom life, I was completely caught up in the story, especially once the mystery began.

I think I'm a harder critic of contemporary fiction because it IS easier to picture myself in the story and if it feels way too unrealistic, even if it is fiction, I don't buy it. Crissy Sharp tells this tale in a way that made it easy to find myself fitting right into this small Montana neighborhood, while delivering a highly entertaining and (hopefully) unrealistic mystery. I was guessing until the end and on edge, right along with the characters. Add to that a very tender and heartwarming journey of rediscovering love, trust, and self-worth, and this one is a winner in my mind.

Content: mild romance; mild+ violence

I received a copy, which did not influence my opinion

Aimee (Getting Your Read On) says

I thought I was going to enjoy this book but I underestimated just how much. I love being pleasantly surprised! I think what I loved most about this book was the perfect balance of the harder, sadder things and the humor. I smiled a lot. There were many emotions in this book all of which I felt. I love that.

I love getting the dual perspectives from Lotty and Jason. It really helped me to understand them both better and not pick sides. ? Lotty is a fun representation of young motherhood and there were so many things I could relate to as I remembered when my own kids were young and required so much of me.

I am completely interested in the mystery surrounding Lotty and Jason and their neighborhood. I sure didn't get all my questions answered in this book so it's a good thing I know there is more coming! I can't wait for the next book!

Content: peril, mild violence, kissing

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Donna May says

This was the first novel that I've read from author Crissy Sharp. I really enjoyed this book. There was mystery, intrigue, romance, fighting, just everything wrapped up in one neat package. Being married is not easy and staying married is even harder. Marriage is something you have to work on every day, but it can become the best thing in the whole world. But I still think that communication is the biggest key in making it work. I love how this book has a struggling marriage and shows how to make it work. People can fall out of love, but they can also fall back in love with each other if it's important enough.

This is a good, clean romance novel that I highly recommend. Great read!

Anna Cisney Barclay says

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review. I'm trying to be more selective about the "free books" I take on, but this one was a bit of a gamble. It's been a while since I've read much in the murder/suspense/mystery genre (since the Mary Higgins Clark days :)), but I was pleasantly surprised with this book. It flowed well, I didn't predict the ending, it had a cute falling back into love story. The main character was somewhat relatable- I did wish she would just *communicate* with her husband, but I think the author portrayed the insecurities and daily grind of being a mom, and I like she progressed as a character throughout the book. I liked it!

Abida's Book Adventures says

Review to come!!!
