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Kenzi Shaw knows the plot of her life down to the last line - the career she's building as an up-and-coming marketing exec, the gorgeous fiancé (Bradley) she'll marry in a fairytale wedding, the children they'll raise in her dream home. But when heart-breaking ex Shane comes back into her life, life starts going off the script . .

Shane tries to win Kenzi over by re-enacting all the rom-com movies they used to watch together - Sleepless in Seattle, Bridget Jones's Diary, Pretty Woman and Dirty Dancing to name a few. He's just a guy, standing in front of a girl, asking her to trust him again. But has he really changed? Not only is her head in a spin over Shane, but now her job is on the line. And with her perfect sister-in-law showing up every tiny thing Kenzi does wrong, she feels like she's permanently in the corner.

Should she risk her sensible life for the chance of a Happy Ever After? One thing's certain, when Shane meets Kenzi (again), she's suddenly not so sure who her leading man is . . .

Perfect for fans of From Notting Hill with Love . . . Actually and You Had Me at Hello. Grab some popcorn, hit the sofa and enjoy this feel-good and very funny novel.

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Angel's books says

D&R'da Parodi indirimi olunca 'hadi bir cesaret' deyip aldım. Bir giriş yapayım, 50 sayfa filan okuyup ara veririm diye başladım. Ama bırakamadım elimden. Su gibi akıp geçti. Ne zamandır ilk sayfalardan beni kendine bağlayacak bir kitaba denk gelsem diye bir isteğim vardı?. Bu kitapla dileğim yerine gelmiş oldu ;) Elimden gelse hiç elimden bırakmaz, bitirene kadar okurdum!

<http://angelsbooks.blogspot.com.tr/2...>

Gitte TotallyBookedBlog says

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So yes, like the romance movies I cherish so dear, Love Like the Movies could, at times, be a little predictable but that didn't hamper my enjoyment of this delightful book one little bit. Not at all, because my heart had a warm fuzzy glow and this book was exactly what I needed and I couldn't help but indulge myself in the sweetness, the cuteness and the sheer romance of it all. And... THAT EPILOGUE!!! OMG!!! SWOOOOOOOOOOON!!!!!! Just you try and wipe this big dopey grin off my face. I was in epilogue heaven! That epi Gitte? My romance dream come true! I need a movie marathon! Now! Did that just melt your heart?

Gitte: That epilogue made me swoon till I was ALL swooned out, Jenny. I wanted to be Kenzi so bad right there and then or at least part of it somehow, well I guess I kind of was really as a reader. It was brilliant and so cleverly written. I could honestly visualise it and my jaw hurt from smiling, and my eyes brimmed with happy tears.

“I always felt special when I was with him...”

Actually, the whole story made me feel like that. Yeah sure, it was sugar sweet at times and a tad predictable but that was neither here nor there, because overall it had me laughing at the funny banter, the quiriness and melt at the romance.

“Me. You should be waiting for me.”

I could relate completely too to so many aspects of this story, it was beautiful and evoked sweet memories. Excuse me whilst I go line up the DVD's and make myself some popcorn...I'm going on a rom/com – chick flick binge.....

J&G: So, if you love romance movies and you're in the mood for a captivating, delightful, sweet and swoony romance that will leave your heart glowing, Love Like the Movies is just what you need. We were completely swept away with this one!

“Remember, you’ll hurt me if you don’t trust me. Isn’t that the line?”

This book is sheer romance. If steam is a pre-requisite for your reading enjoyment, you won't find it here. However, what this book lacks in steam it more than makes up for in romance, fun, escapism and a couple of warm and beautiful characters with movie references that will have your heart jumping for joy and have a big smile plastered on your face!

‘I wanna chase after Shane and declare, Big mistake. Big. Huge’ – Kenzi

This is the perfect Sunday afternoon, curl up and read a book, way to while away your time. Now we're off for a BIG movie marathon of our favourite romance movies with smiles on our faces and a wonderful warm glow!

ARC provided for in exchange for an honest review.

Katie(babs) says

Don't judge this book by its horrible cover. This is an adorable rom-com features Kenzi, who is engaged to her perfect man, Bradley, who she works with. Her parents always make Kenzi think she's lacking in her looks, job, social life, but they love Bradley. Kenzi's ex-boyfriend, Shane from college wants to be friends with her on Facebook after 10 years. Kenzi doesn't understand why because Shane cheated on her in college (or so she believe because he didn't deny it or try to make her think otherwise, and left the country soon after). Kenzi is confused as to why Shane wants to reconnect.

Shane ends up as one of her company's clients, which they need his account because of issues with money. Shane will sign the contract if only Kenzi acts out scenes from her favorite romantic comedies with Shane. Kenzi has a weakness for romantic movies like Pretty Woman, Sleepless in Seattle and Love Actually. Kenzi agrees and soon after Shane is back in her life and trying to win her from Bradley who he feels isn't the right man for Kenzi, as well as Bradley becoming distant from Kenzi, which she can't figure out.

Will Kenzi stay with Bradley or Shane? Both men bring a lot to the table for Kenzi. They adore her, but both have completely different personalities. Poor Kenzi doesn't know what to do. Plus her perfect sister-in-law is pregnant and it's all about her needs and wants.

Loopy, adorable, sweet and romantic is what Love Like the Movies is all about. A must read for any contemporary romance fan. The ending will bring a big smile to your face. So much awws here.

Cam *tactile seeker* says

DNF at 50%.

It's official, I'm a bitter, old lady. Not even my love for movies saved me this time.

What's the phrase they use, when they want to break up? Ah, yes, "it's not you, it's me".

And in this case, it's really *me*.

I've lost the ability to feel something for this kind of stories. Romantic comedies makes me want to kill everyone involved, with a few exceptions like *My Best Friend's Wedding* and *Sixteen Candles*. (Maybe even *Pretty Woman*)

Not to mention that chick-lit is definitely not my genre, anymore.

I cannot sympathize with a 29-year-old woman (I'm only a year younger) who evaluates her life in terms of marriage and babies. I cannot help but cringe when I read that a woman wants a big wedding, followed immediately by a baby because she's almost 30. I find it depressing, not just for a woman, but for a human being in general.

We're more than that. We're more than a bundle of crazed hormones looking for a release. Our purpose in life must be something deeper, more meaningful.

And it's not that I hate weddings or babies, don't get me wrong. I just think that a woman who wants to spend thousands of dollars for her "big day", just wants to show off. She wants to make her friends and relatives jealous, wants to be the star for a day, forgetting probably that the ceremony involves two people, not just her. Why should it all be about the bride? What has she done to be regarded as an idol? I see a wedding as an affirmation of love between a couple. They are, together, the stars, they're a symbol.

Maybe there's just something wrong with me, because I don't feel this need to get married or have babies.

I don't think I'm a loser because my boyfriend hasn't proposed yet. I don't need a big ring on my finger to prove people that I'm happy. (Considering how the story was developing, Kensington didn't need it either)

I want my lover to listen to me and be my friend. I want to share my life with him, I don't care if he spends all his money on a stupid ring for me. I'd rather do something together with it.

I'm so sorry, but I couldn't go on. I'm sure you romantic people will love it, though.

Larnacouer de SH says

2.5

Do?ruya do?ru ?imdi, ben de bay?l?r?m romantik komedi filmlerine.

Hal böyle olunca insanlar?n yere gö?e s??d?ramad?klar? bu kitab? okuma konusunda tahmin edersiniz ki inan?lmaz hevesliydim.

Kitab?n içinde geçen film listesini bile indirdim; önce izleyip nostalji yapar, sonra kitab? okurum hem bu ?ekilde daha çok zevk al?r?m e?lenceli olur demi?tim.

Film listesi cidden güzel gitti, lakin kitab için ayn? ?eyleri söyleyemeyece?im.

Yazar?n romantik komedi tutkusu bir noktadan sonra bana öyle bir b?kk?nl?k verdi ki, oturup saç?m?

ba??m? yılmak istedim. Bitsin art?k diye gözüne bakt?m, o kadar y?ld?rd? beni.

Evet evet fark?nday?m, kitab?n olay? bu: *Love like the movies*.

Ama kitab?n içinden film al?nt?lar?n? ç?kar?nca geriye hiçbir ?ey kalm?yor. Gerçekten hiçbir ?ey!

Bu romantik-kolikli?i a??r? abart?l? buldum ve film al?nt?lar? sürekli orijinal hikayeyi bo?du, gölgede b?rakt?. Zaten detayl? anlat?lmayan karakterler iyice söndü.

Ad? geçen filmleri de izlememi? olanlara hitap edece?ini dü?ünmüyorum aç?kças?. *Filanca filmdeki gibi*

s?r?tt?m, falanca filmdeki karakter gibi bakt?m, ?u filmdeki gibi yatt?m, bu filmdeki gibi batt?m. Ben de o filmdeki gibi sövüyorum ?uan.

Bi' dizi vard?, izlemi?sinizdir mutlaka; *Dexter*.

Hay?r can?m ne romanti?i komedisi, bir seri katili konu ediyor .

Orada bi' karakter var, polis; *Debra Morgan*.

Nereye varacakt?m buradan? Ha ?uraya.

Debra'n?n ?ahs?na münhas?r öyle güzel küfürleri vard? ki. Zaman zaman and?m kendisini.

Yoksa nutkum tutuldu abi. Bu ne yavan kitap, konu? dedim Debra, söv k?z?m ?unlarahahahahaBEN? S?Z DEL?RTT?N?Z.

NOT: Puan?m yaln?zca ve yaln?zca paintball sahnesi ve araba kullanan ergene.

Yoksa l.

Gittim, x.

Susanne says

Updated after re-read 10/18/15: It was just as awesome the second time!

~~I really liked~~ I **adored** this book! It was all I can ever wish for in a book!

It is charming, it is funny and it is romantic! It's romantic comedy at its very best. I thought I was over chick-lit. Turns out I was wrong. Very wrong. It had all the elements of a good chick-lit.

The heroine was easy to relate to. I adored her from the first page. Her family didn't treat her right. She was engaged to Mr Wrong. And she turned it all around. She *grew* so much over the span of the book.

The hero was swoony. As in chick-lit, he was a bit in the background. But it didn't matter. I routed for them and he was the perfect hero in a romantic comedy.

The plot was smart and well-crafted. I needed Kenzi to stand on her own two feet. She could save herself. And that made me so happy!

If you have a thing for romantic comedies - this is a must read! I've been disappointed by so many hyped books and I've been in a book slump, but I'm so happy to announce that it is finally over. My only wish is that I had been able to read it in one sitting. But life kept interrupting. I will read this soon again, and then I will shut life out. No words can convey how much I adored it.

And the epilogue. Best. Epilogue. Ever.

KatLynne says

4.5 Hilarious, Romantic Stars!

... “The world doesn’t always make sense, but in a good romantic comedy, I’m guaranteed a happily ever after.”....

Love like **The Movies** is not only an **enchanting, entertaining, and amusing** love story but also depicts a young woman’s journey of self-discovery and finding the courage to stop letting other’s make choices for her.

Kensington Shaw is on the brink of turning thirty. Her fiancé may fit her families’ approval more than hers, but Kensington can accept that because she’s ready to settle as she envisions her life plan of marriage and children finally coming to fruition.

All is going as planned until her ex-boyfriend, Shane Bennett, shows up as a client at the ad agency where she works. Desperately needing this account, she agrees to his proposition of living out *ten Romantic Comedy movie moments* with him, and then he’ll sign the contract.

Combining Contemporary Romance, Chick-Lit, and Romantic Comedy the author has crafted an engaging read with lovable, quirky characters. It’s filled with witty, clever dialogue and there are many laugh-out loud moments. This book **sparkles** and I could hardly believe this is a debut.

One of the aspects that make this such an appealing read is that most women can relate to a few of Kensington’s situations. She’s spent most of her adult life measuring her self-worth based on other people’s standards and not her own. Along the way she’s lost the essence of who she is as she conforms to other’s ideals. Heartache also played a major role in her decisions. Shane Bennett shattered her world when he walked away years earlier and now with his return, the carefully, designed road map she has for her life is quickly becoming utter chaos. **There are so many hilarious, uproarious scenes readers should beware!**

Coupled with the humor, you’ll also find tender, sensuous moments as well as somber and very relatable events. Shane is a sexy hero oozing charismatic charm and one of his best qualities is that he totally *gets* Kensington. His re-appearance throws a major kink into her plans and initiates a flood of internal searching.

If you love to watch Rom Com, I’m sure you’ll recognize many of the movies used throughout the story. I don’t think I’ve read anything quite like this and **I loved it!** The author very cleverly incorporates a few of the movie quotes/phrases perfectly into the character’s dialogue adding even more pleasure. Not only is this fun and highly entertaining, there’s also a beautiful and romantic story within these pages as well as an **amazing** Epilogue. Highly recommend to everyone who loves this genre.

ARC courtesy of Pocket Star books via Netgalley

...A huge thank you to my friend, Jilly, for leading me to this fantastic read:~)!

Ian says

Kenzi has everything she could ever dream for. A good job working for an advertising agency and the

perfect fiancé. Even if she's constantly runner-up in her family's affections to her oh so perfect sister-in-law, things look pretty good.

Then her ex-boyfriend, Shane walks into the advertising agency and she quickly discovers, the agency is having financial problems, her job is on the line, and they desperately need Shane's business. She is ordered to do everything she can to secure the account, but she wasn't expecting to be re-enacting scenes from her favorite romantic comedies.

Love Like the Movies is great fun. It really does read like one of those great romantic comedies of the 1980s and '90s. It's a book that will leave you with a silly smile on your face and feeling good for days.

I should note that some might shy away from this book because it's about a love triangle. I know that's a trigger issue for many readers of romance. It's a trigger issue for me as well, so I'm going to go out on a limb and say I had no problems with this book at all. That aspect doesn't really play into the story all that much and lovers of cute, quirky romances will love this book.

Many thanks Pocket Star and Netgalley for providing me with this ARC

Esra says

uzuuuuuuun süredir kitab? elime al?p okuyam?yordum, yo?unluk filan fistan. ama bugün okuma karar?m? verdim ve bitirdim! ve a??r? bir mutluluk duyuyorum, çünkü kitap a??r? sevilesi bir ?eydi. romantik komedi izlemi?im gibi hissediyorum. hele son bölümde shaw'?n yapt??? vs. her ?eyiyle mükemmeldi. daha önce böyle bir kitap okudu?umu dü?ünmüyorum, kesinlikle ?ans vermelisiniz!

"...ünkü hayat bir film de?il.

asl?nda bir filmden daha güzel.-s.365

Sonja says

Die 29-jährige Kenzi ist verlobt mit Bradley und träumt von einer Traumhochzeit und anschließender Familiengründung. Alles scheint perfekt zu sein, doch dann überschlagen sich die Ereignisse. Nicht nur, dass ihre Schwägerin schwanger ist und Kenzis Verlobung damit bei ihrer Familie in den Hintergrund fällt, es taucht auch noch Kenzis Exfreund Shane wieder auf. Plötzlich ist er ein wichtiger Auftraggeber, und Kenzi soll mit ihm zehn berühmte Film-Romantik-Momente nachspielen. Ihre Gefühle fahren Achterbahn...

Mein Leseindruck:

Die Geschichte von Kenzi wird hier aus ihrer Sicht erzählt, was mir richtig gut gefallen hat. So kann der Leser sich gut in sie hinein fühlen und ihre Gedankengänge miterleben.

Kenzi ist eine sehr sympathische Protagonistin, die ich gleich ins Herz schließen konnte. Es hat mir sehr viel Spaß gemacht, ihre Geschichte mitzuerleben.

Die Story ist romantisch und humorvoll, hat aber auch Tiefgang. Eine sehr gelungene Mischung, wie ich finde.

Der Schreibstil ist leicht, locker, angenehm; eigentlich perfekt für diese Art Bücher. Man kann sich in die Geschichte hineinfallen und den Alltag hinter sich lassen.

Wer Lust hast, eine romantische Geschichte zu lesen, der kann mit diesem Buch eigentlich nichts falsch machen. Ich hatte sehr schöne Lesestunden mit der Lektüre!

?Karlyn P? says

3* 'Tummy Flip Test' Stars

Cute story! Fans of romantic movies will really enjoy this one. I thought this was more 'chick lit' than romance, but it is still a fun romantic story with some over the top silly moments you might remember from some of your favorite movies.

The Story

Kensington Shaw is about to marry Bradley, the only problem is he doesn't pass the TFT: 'Tummy Flip Test'. But he is successful, everyone loves him, and he is ready to start that family she wants so much. Her hard-to-please mom even likes him, and her overly competitive sister-in-law Ren actually approves. He is perfect, right?

Then one day Shane, a British hunk and 'the one who got away' seven years ago, shows up at her office and turns everything upside down. You see, Shane still passes the 'Tummy Flip Test', BIG TIME. And he has never forgotten Kensie. Now he is determined to prove he is the right man for her, and uses their shared love for romance movies as leverage.

“So what should I be waiting for exactly?” Swallowing hard, I wait. I can’t believe I asked that. Shane takes a step forward and turns, stopping me with his hands. Warm copper eyes level to mine with intensity. “Me. You should be waiting for me.”

My Thoughts

LOVE LIKE THE MOVIES was a fun and witty romantic story that leverages a lot of great scenes from popular romance movies. I felt a bit lost as I haven't watched all of the movies referenced (or I have long forgotten most of the movie!), but I still really enjoyed the premise. (And now want to watch many of these movies!)

It is told through Kensington's POV, so in addition to the romance storyline we also watch her journey as she deals with her many (many!) family problems, with her work issues and possibly losing her job, with her questionable friends who may not have her back, and with Bradley's jealousy and his less-than-noble character.

The best parts (of course!) are the scenes with Shane and their heated moments as they re-enact different scenes from their favorite romantic comedies. Oh, they get a bit corny, but in a cute and sweet kind of way. You will be cheering for Shane by the end.

Unfortunately, Shane is a quiet and under-developed character, mostly because he really didn't get a lot of dialogue. He gets surprisingly few speaking parts for being the main 'hero' of the story, but we do get the benefit of Kensington reminiscing about their previous relationship which helps us get to know him better. Still, we never get a solid idea of what he is thinking, but what we do see is sweet, romantic, and convincing.

Final Notes

The sensuality / steam factor was pretty low. It's a bit more than kissing, but not by much. If you are looking for a hot and steamy contemporary, this isn't it. But if you are in the mood for a cute, sweet romance with some light humor and a bit of corny romance movie memorabilia, you will enjoy this one.

Lastly, I should mention that Kensington does NOT cheat on Bradley, and this isn't a love triangle. Both of which I was very thankful for!

Zainub says

Here's a thing about lazy me, i judge a book (of any form or genre) by its goodreads rating alone and though I've been deceived before, this time I felt more betrayed than the protagonist.

This book was a rehash of a rehash with all the good parts left out (the conversations, the emotional connection, the substance!)

The movie scenes when reenacted were desperate at best and irritating at worst.

Also am I ye only one who found the male lead's love for movies a tad estrogen-ish.

While the book covered the basics of a chick-lit the ramblings of the protagonist and the fact that every she's-coming-to-her-senses part was covered with tears-streamed-friend-tattles-guy-appears was just too much.

In short its several pages of annoyance and time wasted. My sincere and heartfelt advice

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Jenny: Yes Gitte! I completely agree! It really brings it all back doesn’t it? You’re in the scene of that movie and seeing it all the Kenzi’s eyes! It’s just wonderful! Whilst this was indeed a cute romance which I completely adored, it offered more than that to me. Kensington ‘Kenzi’ Shaw didn’t realise she was lost in herself until her ex Shane Bennett appeared on the scene after 7 years. What follows is a lot of soul searching with Kenzi finding the girl she used to be and not the girl she had unwittingly become. It was pure delight watching Kenzi come into her own and witness her growth as she went on her journey of self-discovery.

'And who I'm rescuing is.....Me. The girl with paint in her hair who still believes in the fairy tale, only this is the grown-up version. Because maybe there's not a happy-ever after with someone, maybe it's about being happy with yourself.' – Kenzi

So yes, like the romance movies I cherish so dear, Love Like the Movies could, at times, be a little predictable but that didn't hamper my enjoyment of this delightful book one little bit. Not at all, because my heart had a warm fuzzy glow and this book was exactly what I needed and I couldn't help but indulge myself in the sweetness, the cuteness and the sheer romance of it all. And... THAT EPILOGUE!!! OMG!!! SWOOOOOOOOOOON!!!!!! Just you try and wipe this big dopey grin off my face. I was in epilogue heaven! That epi Gitte? My romance dream come true! I need a movie marathon! Now! Did that just melt your heart?

Gitte: That epilogue made me swoon till I was ALL swooned out, Jenny. I wanted to be Kenzi so bad right there and then or at least part of it somehow, well I guess I kind of was really as a reader. It was brilliant and so cleverly written. I could honestly visualise it and my jaw hurt from smiling, and my eyes brimmed with happy tears.

"I always felt special when I was with him..."

Actually, the whole story made me feel like that. Yeah sure, it was sugar sweet at times and a tad predictable but that was neither here nor there, because overall it had me laughing at the funny banter, the quirkiness and melt at the romance.

"Me. You should be waiting for me."

I could relate completely too to so many aspects of this story, it was beautiful and evoked sweet memories. Excuse me whilst I go line up the DVD's and make myself some popcorn...I'm going on a rom/com – chick flick binge.....

J&G: So, if you love romance movies and you're in the mood for a captivating, delightful, sweet and swoony romance that will leave your heart glowing, Love Like the Movies is just what you need. We were completely swept away with this one!

"Remember, you'll hurt me if you don't trust me. Isn't that the line?"

This book is sheer romance. If steam is a pre-requisite for your reading enjoyment, you won't find it here. However, what this book lacks in steam it more than makes up for in romance, fun, escapism and a couple of warm and beautiful characters with movie references that will have your heart jumping for joy and have a big smile plastered on your face!

'I wanna chase after Shane and declare, Big mistake. Big. Huge' – Kenzi

This is the perfect Sunday afternoon, curl up and read a book, way to while away your time. Now we're off for a BIG movie marathon of our favourite romance movies with smiles on our faces and a wonderful warm glow!

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Claudia says

LOVE this book!! Everyone will love this book!!! Instantly fell for the characters, it's funny, sweet, romantic comedy at its best. This book is beyond movie worthy. TBR, one-click, PreBuy...you won't be disappointed!!

Jill says

There's something so innocent and sweet about romantic movies. The world doesn't always make sense, but in a good romantic comedy, I'm guaranteed a happily ever after.

- Kensington Shaw

For Kensington Shaw, romantic movie fan, life's not quite living up to the fantasies in her favourite films. She might be smart, have a great job and a gorgeous boyfriend, but something's missing.

Now her ex-boyfriend, Shane Bennett, is back after dumping her years ago to return home to Britain. When he turns up as a client at her ad agency, he's got a proposition for her: If she lives out ten movie moments with him, he'll sign with her agency.

This is an adorable, fun, cute, absolutely hilarious romantic comedy, with a clever premise. It has some of the funniest scenes I have ever read in rom-com. Particularly the treadmill scene. And the paintball scene. And the hair rollers scene. The epilogue is brilliant.

Part contemporary romance, part romantic comedy, part chick-lit. For readers who also watch romantic comedies, you'll enjoy the references throughout to many of these popular films. This book should be made into a movie!

A really fun read. Loved it.

Steam: 2

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