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"You're so serious all the time. You don't laugh much. You don't see anyone. Face it, Mom, you need a genie."

No, thought Zoe Calderone, a genie was exactly what a hard-working, pragmatic, single mother like herself *didn't* need. But when she went along with a hokey conjuring ceremony to humor her nine-year-old daughter, the impossible happened: A tall, dark, sinfully sexy djinni appeared...stark naked.

"What are your wishes, summoner? I can do anything but bring the dead to life or foretell the future."

And so Zoe found herself facing a dilemma. The haughty stranger refused to leave until she'd made her three wishes, but there was no way she was going to risk more magic going awry. Yet the longer he stuck around, teasing her with his gorgeous body, soothing her with his gentle consideration, the more she was tempted to let him grant her every desire.

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Heather says

Yep a little too cheesy for me, but I am 3/4 of the way through. Don't think I will ready anymore of hers. I need more action!

Grace says

Okay for a Djinn romance.

Sabrina Jeffries says

I like a good paranormal romance from time to time and these djinni books have just the right amount of otherworldliness without overdoing it and without shirking on the romance. I read the second book recently and fell totally in love with Darius, the hero. Nance's djinni world is believable and intriguing. I heartily recommend them.

Susan Ross says

I actually give this book a 3.5. I enjoyed it but the alternate world was something I'm not big on. The heroine frustrated me with her refusal to use the 3 wishes her genie, or as this books refers to him, her djinni, demands. This angers Simon (djinni) because, unbeknownst to our heroine, Zoe, he is enslaved by an evil sorcerer and needs to grant wishes for 101 people to be released unless... Communication is not big with these two due to a lack of trust. Mutual attraction however, is huge and sparks literally fly. We have fun secondary characters, a little intrigue and sex. I'm not big on paranormal plots from the otherworld but if you are, you'll enjoy this book a lot.

Allison says

I ended up skipping a bit in the middle.

Sarah Winters says

Simon. Let me just start with Simon. Wow. Great character and prefect male lead! A djinn of Kaf, Simon has been bound for a very long time, impatiently awaiting summoner 101 so he can finally gain his freedom. Unfortunately, summoner number 94 isn't being very agreeable.

Zoe Calderone has never gotten anything the easy way. A single mom running her own multimedia business with the help of her friends, she works for everything she gets. So when a very handsome - and naked - Simon shows up in her living room demanding she make her wishes she refuses. Nothing good can come of wishing in her mind.

With her company in trouble, her ex making a nuisance of himself and someone snooping around her djinn, Zoe has to make her choice. Believe in Simon and wish for the best or keep her wishes and surrender Simon to an eternity of servitude.

The characters in this first book are amazing and you'll easily be looking for the next when you finish. The side characters are funny and heartwarming in turns and yes this one can be a crier, I admit. But so very good! A definite keeper!

T Dellert says

The first book in a great series.

Maura says

Another of the better ones in this series. Simon is a trapped djinn and does not like that he's bound. Zoe and her neighbor end up freeing him and rather than just taking her 3 wishes, she resists...because she doesn't believe in simple solutions, only hard work. Well Simon goes along with it for a while, but gets pretty angry at one point because all he needs is a few more masters and he's free. So they have some issues of trust to work through. Overall an enjoyable story with plenty of magic, lots of sex and a good romance.

Mareena says

For my #1 challenge (Fairytale Title), I read Wishes Come True by Kathleen Nance. Zoe Calderone had learned early not to believe in magic and wishes, but when her nine-year-old daughter, Mary, coaxes her to try conjuring a djinni in an attempt to brighten Zoe's mood, the hardworking single mother and computer analyst can hardly refuse.

Simon of Kaf has spent the last millenium bound to Earth as a virtual slave granting wishes. Unable to fully trust humans due to a vicious betrayal which still haunted his memories, he was an exile among his people.

When Zoe summons Simon, the djinni takes this, his ninety-fourth of 101 summonings, as his chance to locate his stolen amulet. He tries to manipulate Zoe's wishes, not realizing that, beneath her staid exterior, Zoe hides a wounded heart like his. I enjoyed this paranormal romance and gave it a B+!

Debbie says

This was a new author for me. It was a good story but not as I had expected it to be. I have the whole series

so I will be reading the other books because I did like this one, just not as much as I had expected to.

TINNGG says

2.5 actually... I have mixed feelings about this author. The idea of fantasy and whimsy appeals to me greatly, but her portrayal of various characters and things often falls short in ways that irritate me in small amounts. I call it the death by a thousand paper cuts. In this case, it's more like 365 (page count).

The paper cuts in this one nearly severed an artery within the first 3 pages (that's 3 cuts when you think about it). First off, we have a h who is ruminating that the nicest thing her ex did was give her daughter her looks. Uh... If he's an ex, would you really want THAT much of a visual reminder? I mean; nobody would *ever* say "she looks so much like your douchebag ex..." as a complement there. Then this "delightful" child of 9 is demanding her attention (she works at home), and she remembers the last time the kid was this insistent was when she demanded art lessons at age *5*. A 5-y-o. Demanding art lessons. OoooKay... I have a friend who is a terrific sculptor. Her dad is rather famous so she got to help him. I'm pretty sure she would never have demanded lessons lest she be condemned to cleaning stalls or something for her impertinence.

Kid is being somewhat casual in her address of an adult. Mom corrects her. "Mom, stop being a teacher!!" Me=> "How about I be a parent instead. Go to your room. Now. Lest I forget myself and mash your smart mouth". So the kid is insistent and demanding/begging to be allowed to participate in an activity. The mom listens carefully to discover that her friend/neighbor/tenant/babysitter wants the kid to participate in a seance... Say WHAT?!?! Oh I don't think so. In fact, I'd be laying down laws about said person's influence, possibly suggesting she start looking for alternative lodging.

So ok, I have no tolerance for "kinder, gentler parenting" that allows bratlings to run amok. I also have little tolerance for parents who expect kids to monitor themselves (the kid and her math studying)

So somehow I manage to survive the first chapter without losing a limb. It does get better but boy could I understand why a lot of readers hate reading dated contemporary romances. This one was set in the late '90s, and seemed dated or at least inaccurate even then. The h (too busy working to parent, and for all her bad experiences, still TSTL at times) works on computers, and her business does, among other things, streamlining data storage (from zillions of floppies apparently) to CDs. Because apparently nobody used backup drives yet. Or even hard drives for anything other than the operating system. And zip disks apparently didn't exist either. Wow. Just...wow. You know, am pretty sure early versions of the Cloud were being pushed by a few outfits at the time. Am also pretty sure even AOHell had switched to cds (because prior to that, I used to cover up the hole that kept their floppies from being rewritten and reformat them for my own use. Hah!)

The H had issues. He was also a bit...ok, a lot...arrogant, demanding, etc. Like a small child except he was a 6'+ man (guess in a way, that's par for the course) with magical powers. At least 'til he helped the kid with her math (that her mom was too busy to help her with) and used magic to do so. Then the h lost it and made a wish in a fit of anger - for him to be without his powers for 2 weeks. I didn't really blame her for that, to be honest, because I could see her point. What I had issues with was the fact that she expected the kid to voluntarily go work on math. I haven't seen a kid yet who would go work on homework (over summer break no less) voluntarily (well, except me maybe, but I was bored and besides, I was good at math and liked it).

Eventually, they work out their issues, she manages to free him from servitude (two ways to summon a

djinni - he/she/it is bound in servitude, or...you know their true name), he severs his remaining ties to his homeland, and HEA.

Oh, and I managed to staunch the flow of blood before I bled out.
