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An arranged marriage turns dangerous when he will stop at nothing to make her his bride! Will her hero prevail?

Lady Lucy Donoghue is being forced into a marriage with Lord Hutton against her will. Lord Caldwell comes to the rescue and forms a plan to fake an engagement to Lucy to save her from her terrible predicament.

Even though the engagement is a rouse, Lucy soon develops true feelings for Lord Caldwell as she learns more about him. However, she believes that he does not feel the same way about her, so she refuses to open her heart to the possibility of finding true love.

When Lord Hutton believes that Lucy is marrying someone else, he takes matters into his own hands because he thinks Lucy belongs to him. Lord Hutton's forbidding pursuit puts lives in danger and threatens Lucy's only chance at happiness.

If you love clean, Regency-era romances filled with suspense and intrigue, you will love An Earl's Agreement.

Authors Note: This is a clean, stand-alone romance, so no cliffhangers. This is a 115-page romance with bonus books included.

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Kerri says

This was a great book for passing the time away. I enjoyed the romance and how the couple worked together. There wasn't much depth to the characters, but it is a short story. The villain certainly added to the story, especially with his obsession with the main character. I also liked how Lucy's father seemed to see the error of his ways and was making an effort to change. I would recommend this to anyone wanting a couple hours of getting away with a good clean romance.

Barbara Jones says

Love this story, Lucy took matters into her hands, and just what name mean, spunk, a woman who don't just wait for things to happen, she goes after it, just goes to show what you want will and can happen to you, love her spunk, even when parents think the worst of you, but in the end her parents really saw a true daughter who knows what she wants

Brittain *Needs a Nap and a Drink* says

Exclamation points everywhere = Warning

Insta-love = Yellow card

Crazy possessive man for no reason = Foul, near 18. Close call

Declaring passionate love after a week = 2nd yellow. Soft red. Sent off the pitch.

Game over for this book.

Rosemary Hughes says

A fantastic story about a woman who knew her own mind, an earl that was gallant enough to attempt to save a woman from a woeful situation and an era when women were supposed to be pretty decorations, and little else, in society's eyes.

As I have said before, love to read about the regency era romances but would have hated to be a woman, of that era.

Bonus books:

The Duke to the rescue:

A very dramatic Regency romance, when a woman was promised to an elderly man, so his father could obtain money to pay his gambling debts. She is employed as a housekeeper by an unsuspecting Duke who comes to her rescue, once the rouse is discovered. An awesome read.

Delayed Duchess:

A young French woman is left to the care of a young man, by the terms of her father's will. He ruthlessly sells everything, marries her and then immediately transports her via ship to London. On the voyage, the ship sinks and the wife is hit on the head, causing amnesia. Other events follow, making a very interesting tale.

Rescuing a Lady:

When her step mother and father died, Martha is left in the hands of her step brother, who had become miserly and threatening, bent on having her sign over the parcel of land that her father had bequeathed to her. She had only one solution and that was to find a husband, before her 25th birthday. A difficult task with Gerald, the step brother spreading nasty rumors about her to the Ton.

A Heart's Rescue:

A young woman being harassed by one lord over her father's debts and pursued by another Lord, with marriage in the offering. However, when kissed by the Lord who she thought to marry, there was no emotional stirrings on her behalf. A young man, identifying himself as a gardener, seemed more capable of stirring emotions, and trust. What was she to do??

Interesting solutions to her problems.

Christmas Mystery of Love:

A wedding in London planned for Christmas morning, and opening a Townhouse that had been mothballed for decades. Then the bride to be disappears, with no external exits or footprints outside, it becomes an unsolved mystery.

A wonderful story and full of drama, with a romantic slant to it.

shelia harman says

Love

This book was great and the characters in this book will keep you quickly turning the pages until the end. I highly recommend this book it has a little bit of everything in it, suspense, romance, and a little bit of comedy.

Richelle ?? says

The KU version I downloaded came with bonus content of additional short stories. My review here is of this Title only*

This sweet, clean romance is a MUST READ. Loved it! Oh my goodness, Edward is an absolute knight in shining armor rescuing Lucy from the terrible fate her father has prepared for her with the grotesque of a man, Lord Hutton. While a ruse at first, their attachment and love for one another grows over the time they are together getting to know one another. They were made for each other.

Barb says

The Earl's Agreement by Joyce Alec is a sweet and clean romance. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book. The story line was good and the characters were developed. It was a fast read that kept your attention. There is the usual arranged marriage of the time, a pretend engagement to stop the arranged marriage along with action and suspense thrown in. I plan on reading more books by Joyce Alec. I did receive an ARC and voluntarily read and gave an honest, fair review

Rosemary K says

Lucy Donoghue is a bluestocking. This causes her parents much frustration. They want her to make an advantageous marriage. If she won't obey their wishes, they will make the choice for her. Lucy is appalled by their choice. She wants to marry for love. Will she get her heart's desire? Lord Caldwell becomes her savior when he suggests that they enter into a fake betrothal to foil her parent's plans. I enjoyed this sweet romance. The story is filled with tenderness and danger. Lucy is a intelligent woman who is courageous. Edward, Lord Caldwell, is an honorable man who's protective of Lucy. Their romance is sweet and I loved watching it grow and strengthen. The setting for the story as well as the historical period are one of my favorites which pulled me in. Joyce Alec did a wonderful job writing *An Earl's Agreement*. This story left me believing in true love and a HEA.

I received a copy of this book which I voluntarily read and reviewed. My comments are my honest opinion.

Lita Acevedo says

A very sweet and clean romance. She wants to avoid being married to a man more than twice her age. He wants to avoid marriage to someone he doesn't love. To save each other from their parent's machinations, they agree to tell everyone they're engaged. However, the man her father promised her to refuses to take no for an answer and is determined to have her. And the young couple find themselves falling in love as they get to know each other better.

Teri Donaldson says

What a delightful debut book from Joyce Alec. She is certainly on the path to success.

This is a clean and sweet Regency romance about an engagement of convenience and a marriage of love.

Lucy loves to read and have interesting conversations. She is not your typical young lady. Her selfish parents decide to marry her off to an old and fluffy man. Edward is being pushed into marriage by his overbearing mother. For both of them, a marriage of love does not seem possible.

A chance meeting in a dark garden changes all of that.

This was easy to read and well written. I look forward to seeing what Ms. Alec has planned for her next book.

I received an ARC of this book. The choice to read and review it was all mine.

Betty J Rhodes says

Finding love

I love stories set in England during this time period. These stories were good clean romances with a little mystery and surprises. I gave it only a 4, as I thought it could do with a little more editing.

Vânia Nunes says

The Earl of Withington had a couple of children. Jonathan, the eldest, was the obedient son, who did all the will of his father, already watching the inheritance he would receive. That's why he soon married someone from his parents' choice.

Lucy was the most stubborn daughter. Not that she did not want to please her parents, but she had ideas of her own. She did not like balls and frivolous talk. She preferred the company of her books, her novels, and dreamed of the day she could marry for love.

But her parents were tired of the way she was, ditching all suitors at balls when she began to give her opinion on political matters.

So her father decided she should marry Lord Hutton, a man senior than Lucy, but who would make a partnership with the Earl. If Lucy did not accept, she would be put out of the house, without any condition to support herself.

In a moment of desperation, she meets in an arbor, in the ball garden, Lord Edward Caldwell, Son of the Marquess of Blackinstore.

Caldwell had been urged by his parents to find a wife.

He still did not want to get married, but on learning of Lucy's dilemma - as he knew Hutton - thought they could partner to save time. They would make a phony engagement, and after a while, Lucy would end their engagement.

Lord Hutton did not like when he learned that his future wife was betrothed to Caldwell. He makes threats to Caldwell's life and buys a special license in the certainty that Lucy would marry him.

Lucy's mother prefers her daughter to marry Caldwell because one day she would be a marchioness.

Lucy's father falls into himself that he made an agreement with an unscrupulous man.

And on the night of the couple's engagement ball, the worst happens, and Lucy, in her fearless way and unlike the good girls of Ton, becomes the great heroine.

5 stars

Elsbeth says

I really enjoyed this fast-moving and action-packed love story! With a heroin who doesn't wait passively for life to happen, but who takes on her parents and a dangerous man!

Wonderful story!

I received a copy and chose to review it.

Glaidene Ramsey says

Hearts and Ever Afters.

I like this series very much. Lady Lucy is considered a blue- stocking because she loves reading , science and all manners of knowledge. Her parents disspare of her ever finding a husband, so her father takes matters in his hands. The story begins here. Read and enjoy, I did!!!!!!

Mrs Caroline Trevor says

This is a really good book. Lady Lucy Donaghue is a very outspoken and unusual lady. Lord Caldwell is a kind gentleman who offers to help Lucy out of her current predicament but all does not go to plan. Will there happy ever after happen.
