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You've met the men of BAM. Now get to know the rebel.

Who is Reid Matthews?

A child, abandoned and unloved.

A teen, adrift and disregarded, using his superior tech skills for the wrong intentions.

A young adult, his future overshadowed by his prison record, his life an endless loop of loneliness.

Until he is given a second chance and a new life emerges.

A career he once thought he could only dream of, surrounded by people who show him that family and home aren't simply words.

And a girl who shows him the greatest, most complex code he could ever write.

Love.

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Julia says

This author did an amazing thing. She created this ex con, technology genius, virgin hero and made him absolutely, boring. Like so boring, it was effecting the other characters in the previous books. Heroine wasnt any better, and when both of them got together it made everything even more bland.

Nicola says

4.25 stars.

I'm so glad Melanie Moreland has brought us Reid's story. He's been an incredible secondary character, stepping up to the mark time after time as the boys have needed his exceptional technology skills, and now the floor is all his.

All I want is a chance to move on and put all that shit behind me. For one person to believe in me."

In many respects this is my favourite of the series and that's largely down to Reid who has fought his way through life to become the exceptional man he is today. He's made mistakes, but he's learnt from them and there is no one more deserving of a happy ever after. And his new co-worker, Becca is the lucky lady to walk that path alongside him.

Theirs is romance filled with firsts and in Becca, Moreland has created a strong, confident heroine comfortable in taking the lead. And it's this which compliments Reid's more reserved, gentle nature—she is his safe place—and seeing him open up, bearing his scars and falling harder with each passing day, was lovely.

Don't let love pass you by because you're scared or because of the what-ifs..."

Admittedly at times I found Reid and Becca a little too perfect verging on overly sweet, but that's minor because what more than counteracts that is a story which flits between leaving you howling with laughter thanks to witty banter and hilarious interactions between the guys, romance by the bucketload and moments which leave you reaching for the tissues as you share the characters lower moments.

I'm not going anywhere."

I'm not entirely convinced this is the last we've seen from these guys, but if I'm wrong there's no question that Melanie Moreland has ended the *Vested Interest* series on a high note. And if I'm not wrong, then I'll definitely be in the line for more.

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Jennifer says

Since reading “The Contract” a couple of years ago, it’s been a real joy to witness Melanie Moreland’s success in the realm of Contemporary Romance. Her stand alone books have always been enjoyable reads, so when I heard Melanie was publishing the “Vested Interest” trilogy I got a little giddy.

I expected Maddox to be the perfect conclusion for Melanie’s trilogy, and in many ways, it is. When the author announced she would be publishing Reid’s story, I was excited for the chance to visit this corporate universe for a fourth time. Fans of “The Contract” should also be happy to receive another special appearance by Richard in this latest installment.

Reid was a secondary character during the first 3 books. In many ways, the BAM men saw him as a kid with a genius level talent with computers. With his casual dress, messy office, and unconventional work hours it could be easy to dismiss him as a goofball. But whenever Bentley, Aiden or Maddox found themselves in trouble and had no one else to turn to for help, they quickly learned that Reid was the one they could all count on to save the day. Over the course of the series, Reid proved his worth and his loyalty to the BAM boys time and again.

As a latecomer to the overall group, Reid has always functioned more like a satellite, his life always a bit of a mystery. Like the BAM boys, Reid grew up under a challenging set of circumstances, but unlike them he didn’t have anyone in his life to consistently bond with. Alone and adrift for much of his life, Reid fell into a life of crime and landed himself behind bars. It was only when Aiden decided to take a chance on him during a job interview that Reid’s life finally took a turn for the better.

Now that he’s found a source of stability, he’s able to turn his attention away from matters of survival. This is when Richard’s former assistant, Becca, appears on the scene. Reid is immediately smitten with the dark-haired beauty with a warm, yet bashful, personality. He wants to date her, but he doesn’t have a clue how to proceed because he’s still a virgin. Instead, he spends his time making a Project B list, hoping it will help him figure out how to make Becca fall in love with him. When he accidentally e-mails his list to Bentley, Aiden, and Maddox, the BAM boys decide to nudge Reid into action.

What follows is an emotional journey for Reid, Becca, and the reader. There is plenty to love about this novel. Scenes run the full spectrum from the laugh-out-loud hilarious, to the sweet and romantic, to the heart wrenchingly tragic. Through the course of the book, Reid comes to terms with the adversities of his past and how much he will allow them to impact his future. With each turn of the page, we watch as Reid transforms from a lost boy into a confident man, ready and willing to fight for what he wants.

The love story of Reid and Becca is as enjoyable to read as the previous installments of the Vested Interest series, but I also believe that this book, more than others, is also a story about the unconditional love of family. Bentley, Aiden, Maddox, and Reid were not born as brothers, but they found one another despite the odds and they know how fortunate they have been as a result.

Word from Melanie is that more books from this series are in the works, and I will eagerly one-click them all.

Michele McMullen says

I am so in love with this series and to finally have Reid's story come to life was just the icing as we say on the cake!

Reid is a man that has been through more than his share of troubles and heartache. He is a sweet, withdrawn, kind of awkward and just so also happens to be an internet wiz and he is the go to men of BAM .

Becca Holden is brought into BAM as a consultant and the moment that they lay eyes on each other their is an immediate attraction. Reid is a bit to shy to act on it so he admires her from a distance. Becca soon realizes that he may be hiding his attraction to her and begins to subtly insert herself into his daily life. His office family soon realizes his interest and gives him a bit of a push in the Becca direction. This was such a sweet, sexy slow burn between these two amazing characters ! I also loved seeing all of my favorite characters and catching up on them and their lives!

Loved it !!!

~~Michele McMullen ~~

Diane (Books and Tequila Blog) says

Oh, Reid!!! Our nerdy little boy has grown up into an amazing man!

Reid's confidence and attitude got him a foot in the door with BAM, but he proved himself over and over again to cement his position with them.

“All of what they did for me made everything worth it. Because of them, I had a new path and a future. Something to offer.”

From the first moment they met, Reid was drawn to Becca and she to him. Reid has a past that he has tried to move on from, but some things can't just be swept under a rug and ignored. Becca is the strong heroine that he needs. She knows that Reid had some obstacles to overcome, not the least of them was the fact that he was a virgin.

“Her smile appeared. The gentle one only I saw. Shy, tremulous, and sweet. She leaned over my desk. “You still say the best things, Reid Matthews.”

I met her halfway with a long kiss.

“All for you, BB. All for you.”

I absolutely adore this story. It has so much humor, I was caught laughing out loud, so much heart and romance I completely fell in love with these characters, and so much emotion I was brought to tears more than once.

-5+Stars!!-

Leo (Queen of the Rants and the Crazy) says

Safe!!

A virgin hero who didn't know how to talk to the heroine. He even made lists.

A bit unrealistic and unbelievable but he was sweet and shy.
Heroine is not a virgin.

Diane'sBookReflections says

Four and a half, you can have it all, Stars!

**** 1/2

Melanie.....just when we thought Vested Interest was done...

Now that you have us vested....you've gone and done it again!

You've given us Reid. Smart....no wait.....he's techie extraordinaire, who's tall and handsome with those brooding eyes, and glasses he always flings to the side.

But also in love and figuring out how, to get the girl named Becca, who makes our Reid go all tongue-tied. But little does he know, this darling, confident and sassy young girl, only has eyes for him as well.

And so begins another love affair for readers of Melanie Moreland's Vested Interest Series with another installment entitled Reid. Unlike her last three books which focused on the three primary men of BAM, Reid Matthews is an employee and not a partner....yet. He came to BAM a broken individual, who was once a forgotten child, then a rebellious youth and now a young man who is trying desperately to get his life back from a stupid mistake that cost him four years of his life....in prison. As a cocky kid, computer skills came easy to Reid. He wanted a job, but without the guidance as to how to go about getting one, Reid made a stupid decision trying to show a bank their pitfalls in their firewalls; however, the bank did not take his hacking kindly and thus had him prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Now, after having paid his debt to society, Reid has finally been given a chance to redeem himself. Aiden Callaghan who handles security for BAM, sees something of himself in Reid, and also knows that if a chance had not been given to him, he would not have all the wonderful things he has today. His job, his wife, his friends. And so Reid is given that chance and proves time and time again, that he is a valuable asset to the men of BAM. But more importantly, he is given a chance to dream of a future he never thought possible because of a close circle of friends who are there for him. Something he has never had in his life.

And then Becca Holden comes to work at BAM as an in-house marketing consultant on loan from the Gavin Group (and yes, Richard VanRyan is back!!!!!!!!!!), and our Reid is instantly in love....with her brightness, her confidence, and a sparkle that ignites a passion in our otherwise too techie Reid.

But underneath all the smoothness of knowing how to fix anything related to a computer, our Reid is broken. He carries guilt and shame for his previous actions that continually haunt him in the simplest of ways and burdens him down, so much, he finds his life impossible to live and that includes loving Becca. But Reid is lucky. It is through honest and open friendships and love from caring friends, he learns the lessons of what is really important in life and how to treasure those individuals that make a difference. These are great people to have in your life!

Melanie Moreland has once again written another winner. I could state the obvious that we have all come to expect from our beloved Melanie.....the richness of her characters, her clever writing, the sassy banter, the hot and steamy between the sheets sex, the heart wrenching love that we all long for, but what I want to say is.....Melanie continually takes her characters and makes each one new and fresh as she weaves her craft to tell a compelling story. By now you would think we have learned all we need to know about the men of BAM and the women in their lives, but that would be wrong. Melanie

is always up to the challenge and keeps us the readers coming back for more. We want to learn more about where Bentley, Aiden and Maddox are headed. We want to learn more about how Emmy, Cami and Dee are doing. And now we add Reid and Becca to this list. We can only hope there is another book in the making. Another set of characters to learn about and then add them to this ever growing list of characters we want to learn more about. All I can say is what a wonderful list it is becoming, so let's all cross our fingers!!

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Bookgasms Book Blog says

Honestly, I don't even know where to start with this review. Okay, yeah, I do know . . . back off, people, *Reid* is mine. I licked him, so he's mine. Fine, I licked my Kindle, same diff. Whatever.

In all seriousness, I knew *Reid* would seize my heart and grab on tight. And, holy hell, did he ever! I loved his innocent yet dirty side. Loved the delicate balance between his naivety and hard-nosed, real life experience. Seriously real, real life experience!

And Becca. Damn, I loved her strength, her smarts, her snark, and her big beautiful heart that just wanted to love and show love to Reid.

I read *Reid* in one sitting. I couldn't put it down because I was dying to know how Reid and Becca would reach their happily ever after. There were some bumps along the way. Some lessons to learn. Good god, some hilarious lessons. *side eye to Maddox, Richard and Aiden*

I loved the family dynamic between all these men. How Bent, Maddox and Aiden considered Reid another brother—another family member to love and protect. I hated to see this book end because it was just so damn fun! ~ Missy, 5 “like your game controller” stars

Candice says

LOVED this book!

Reid is the sweetest, so awkward and silly, you wouldn't know what a tough life he has lived to get to this point. He's trying not to dwell in his past but when he falls for his new co-worker his past may try to derail things. Becca is such a strong heroine, just perfect for Reid.

As always Melanie has managed to write a book with fun silliness, so much heart, and there may have been a few tears here and there.

It also just made me fall more and more in love with Sandy! ?

DJ Sakata says

Favorite Quotes:

I think you were attempting to dance, but at first, I wasn't sure if you were having a seizure or drunk.

I'll say your mattress dancing is a lot smoother than your floor dancing.

I have to tell you that listening to your marketing geek is seriously turning me on, BB. It makes me want to interface with your software.

“Go upstairs, Richard. Give me five minutes with my girl. You've had her all week.” “We need to talk if all you need is five minutes, Reid.”

My Review:

I loved this book from start to finish as I have every book in this series. I treasured the sweet and quirky Reid; he stole my heart although his back-story had left a serious bruise on my well-used coronary muscle. Written from my favorite dual POV, the storylines were poignant, well-crafted, continuously engaging, and loaded with endearing characters, clever levity, and witty banter. My attention never flagged, there were no slow and less interesting spots, and my only complaint would be the want for more. Melanie Moreland remains near the top of my list of favorite authors with consistently turning out highly entertaining, thoughtful, and insightful stories with eloquence and perfection.

MELISSA *Mel Reader* says

4 Stars!

(ARC provided by author)

Reid Matthews grew up abandoned and unloved in the foster system. He felt lonely and invisible. He's a computer genius whose brilliant tech skills landed him a prison record. He was looking for a fresh start and a second chance. He was offered a job in the IT department at BAM that was a game changer for his future. It changed his path and gave him a chance to turn his life around. He's now their lead IT guy and a valuable part of the team. He'd also found a family in his bosses Bentley, Aiden, And Maddox. They had his back, and he no longer felt alone.

As the resident geek at BAM, Reid spends all his time at work writing code. He loves his job and it has become his priority. Then he meets Rebecca Holden. She's the new marketing manager working at BAM as the liaison for The Gavin Group. She's intelligent, and incredibly sexy. She's the prettiest woman he's ever seen. When she entered the room he was entranced, and she completely captured all his attention. He wanted her badly.

-“I want you so much I’m aching for you.”

-“I want more with you.”

Reid decides to make his play for Becca, but he's still struggling with his complicated past. Self doubt and worries dictate his actions. Will he let fear hold him back, or will he risk his heart for love?

I have been dying for Reid's book, and it was fabulous! He's the rebel with a heart of gold. He's so funny, but vulnerable and kind. I adore how genuine he is. What you see is what you get. He's beautiful inside and out. I loved getting his HEA, and some Reid sexy time. This story was full of heart and oh so delicious! Just loved it!

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Tracey says

What can I say that I haven't already said about this series?! I was hooked immediately when I read Bentley; then Aiden broke my heart; Maddox became my favorite and then Melanie gives us Reid...oh Reid! He is everything and more--oh the feels while reading this book! Sweet, sexy, swoony, thoughtful, emotional Reid - how could you not fall in love with him. This series has become one of my favorites, mostly due to the fact that Melanie introduces you to her characters in such a way that you become part of their lives. Every single character and secondary character are so well developed and deep--you'll laugh with them, cry with them and miss them when you've finished. There are so many favorite moments in this book, but a few stand out -- the dancing chapter! Couldn't have been written any better! And Sandy & Reid's heartfelt discussion--I cried like a baby. I want to be a part of the BAM family! Do yourself a favor and read this series--right now! Melanie exceeded all my expectations with this series! 10+ stars!

Alex ? says

Virgin hero and non-virginal heroine -> my reading heaven *lol*

Cute, sweet, but also strong hero. Not an alphahole, but a good young man.

Apart from him telling many personal things to his bosses/friends he was more than ok.

Likable heroine, almost nothing to demur.

The best book in this series, IMO.

Island Girl Romance Reads says

I thought I loved the BAM men, but Reid is now my favorite!!
Loved everything about this book. I wanted to hug Reid so bad.
What Love most about this book is the brotherhood and how they care about each other.
That scene with all of the BAM men with Reid made me so emotional.
Loved Becca also. She was the perfect heroine for Reid.
So many emotions when reading this book, from Laughing to crying, from mad to happy.
Hoping for one more book, maybe Van's book?
5 stars!!

Pavitra (For The Love of Fictional Worlds) says

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Actual Rating 4.5 Stars

I fell in love with Ms. Moreland's work when she gave me BAM Boys – they were honest to god, some of the most wonderful fictional men I have had the pleasure of meeting – **they were the epitome of faith & loyalty; but most of all; unconditional friendship is all about.** It hurt my heart to say goodbye to the men I fell for – Bentley (*Read My Review*); Aiden (*Read My Reviews*) and Maddox (*Read My Review*).

But the author healed that hurt a bit when she announced that we would be getting Reid's HEA!

Reid broke my heart – all through the book; not only it was a wonder that he turned out to be the kind, gentle boy he is; but he also had my admiration for the strength of character he showed through – out the book! **This honestly made me jealous of Becca** – she got to hug, love and protect him throughout his life – but it made me proud that I found an author who does a brilliant job of finding perfect partners for characters her readers have fallen in love with!

But what I loved most about Ms. Moreland in this book; she definitely didn't shy away from the fact that Reid is an ex – con! Even though he had turned his life around; his past did have an impact on his present and future – the author showed the reality of exactly what being an ex – con is like without the rose colored glasses.

What I also admired and definitely adored was the support and foundation that my BAM boys gave Reid – he found three elder brothers without him even realizing it – the non – judgmental attitude & the unconditional support they gave him; baffled him yet cemented my adoration for these men who gave this orphan not only a second chance but also the family that he oh so clearly needed.

I have been on the journey with BAM boys since the start; and while it hurts my heart to say goodbye to these wonderful boys – it helps that all of them are in their happy place!

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