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Charlie, a highly-strung, openly gay over-thinker, and Nick, a cheerful, soft-hearted rugby player, meet at a British all-boys grammar school. Friendship blooms quickly, but could there be something more...?

Written and illustrated by the author of 'Solitaire' and 'Radio Silence'. Updates three times a month (from Feb 2017), on the 1st, 11th, and 21st.

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## **Heartstopper Details**

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## From Reader Review Heartstopper for online ebook

TS says

[ im just kidding. mostly (hide spoiler)]

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### The Girl Murdered by Her TBR says

5 stars!!!

Giggle. Roll in bed. Be heart-warmed. Be in pain. Laugh. Be smitten. Be Annoyed. Cry. Fall in love all over again. **REPEAT!!!**

This is the first webcomic I've read in my life and I am absolutely in love with it!!! I love the content of this webcomic. This taught me more about the lgbtq+ community, being comfortable with one's self, being open and proud with your sexuality, being happy with who you are and who you want to be. The topic Alice Oseman is a brilliant author and a very talented artist. She made my heart flutter and crave moments between Nick and Charlie.

Nick is the most adorable, sweet, and kind bear. He's personality was just so pure and perfect. I love his sweetness so much. Charlie is the cutest and bravest gay ever. Being openly gay in an all boy school is the bravest thing I've ever known. He's awkward and charming, smart, and like Nick, he's also so pure and perfect.

I fell in love with them. They made my heart hurt, overwhelmed, beats so fast then stop. Yeah, they're the heartstopper alright...

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### Virginia Ronan ♥ Herondale ♥ says

#### Update 8:

Poor Charlie! He's been through so much! No wonder all this hate got him down. T\_T

Also: I already dislike Nick's brother! Urgh! The prejudices he has! Seriously, his biphobic and homophobic comments made really angry. >\_<

#### Update 7:

I think I'll never forget Charlie's father saying "hanky-panky". \*LMAO\* And can I once again say how much I love their rugby coach?! She's awesomesauce! That's what she is! <3

#### Update 6:

Nick's mom is #momgoals!

I'm sobbing here. T\_T I'm legit sobbing...

Who would have thought a webcomic would be able to make me cry.

This was just so... beautiful. \*cries some more\*

#### Update 5:

Nick was sooo damn adorable at the beach!! They both were! <333

And **OH GODS!!!** My heart just stopped beating!! How's she going to react!?!  
I CAN'T EVEN!!! What a cliffhanger!!! >\_<

**Update 4:**

Nick and Charlie typing messages in the night is so damn sweet!!! It's lovely how often they use the word "lovely". \*lol\*

Also Charlie's reaction to Nick! OMG!! I can't even with those two!!! I love that Charlie is a Slytherin and Nick a Gryffindor. XD \*grins happily\*

**Update 3:**

Oh. My.! This is just too cute... I love how they support each other. How Charlie respects that Nick isn't ready to be out yet and how protective Nick is. AWWWW!!! <333

AND I really dislike that Harry kid. Such a bully! \*shakes head\*

**Update 2:**

1.) Nick and Charlie are so freaking **A.D.O.R.A.B.L.E!!!**

2.) Tao and Elle? (view spoiler)

**Update 1:**

Gosh this only gets even sweeter!! <3

Nick trying to define his sexuality is so damn cute!!! And those two ahh I can't even!!!

Pure sugar!!! Pure innocent and wonderful sugar for my lovesick heart! XD

But what's with Tao?! I am intrigued!

Davai Alice, davai! I want more! ;-P

**AWWWWW!!! <333**

This webcomic is so sweet it didn't just give me a toothache but also provoked full-blown caries! \*lol\*

I swear, to read about Charlie and Nick was so damn cute I can't even explain all of my different emotions and reactions! Haha! I bet if someone would have watched me while I read this comic they would have thought I'm a nutjob! XD I constantly found myself gushing and flailing like crazy and I admit that I couldn't stop myself from burying my face in my hands. \*lol\*

Seriously, if I'd have to summarize the comic in one word it definitely would be "AWWWWW". ;-P  
Charlie is such an adorable nerd and Nick is a tender-hearted jock! They fit together so perfectly and both of them are so pure and innocent, their affectionate and genuine love could easily shame every unicorn! XD

YES, they are really **THAT** pure!!! <333

I can't wait to read on and I'm feeling sooo sorry for Nick, because I know exactly how he feels! >\_<

ALICE you better write the next chapter soon!!! \*lol\*

We all want to know how the story continues!! ;-)

P.S: I love their coach!! That woman is awesomesauce and I wish everyone would be as nice and open-minded as her!!! <333 Miss Singh you rock my socks! =>) Thanks for "enlightening" and educating their

team-mates about different sexualities! ;-)

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### **Brianna says**

Okay but how is this the cutest thing that's ever existed? I can't stop smiling. My heart now belongs to this webcomic.

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### **Emma says**

my cheeks actually hurt from smiling and I need someone to give me a very warm, solid hug and a cup of tea

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### **Alice Oseman says**

I've wanted to write and illustrate a webcomic for probably about five years. So here I am. Doing the thing.

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### **? jamieson ? says**

#### **Dec 21 Update**

bitch !!!!!

\*aggressively wishes happiness and joy upon them\*

#### **Nov 11 Update**

MY HEART LITERALLY HAS EXPLODED OUT OF MY CHEST THEY ARE TOO CUTE I AM DECEASED !!

\*slams fist on table\* THIS IS THE CUTEST SHIT I'VE EVER READ

So this is basically a webcomic available for free here about two boys falling in love. One is openly out as gay and the other is sort of figuring out his bisexuality and the two of them are just dfsdkd so freakin cute

!!!!!!

If you're a sucker for fluffy romance this is for you because it's got IT ALL. the "his shirt lifted and I peeked at the lil bit of stomach skin" trope, the "we play fought and one of us ended up underneath the other" trope, the "watching you sleep in a non creepy purely soft" trope, it has it allll. FRIEND TO LOVERS

also this comic is relatable as fuuuck to me

(the gay crisis is real my pals and this made me laugh alot bc lmfao I've actually done this like deadass just run away fghfjkfd)

kill me this is so sweet

WHY ARE THEY SO SOFT

THE HEIGHT DIFFERENCE

anyway 12/10 quick to read, free and GOOD QUALITY CONTENT  
can November 1 update ..... get here already ?

OH MY AND ALSO THERES A BONUS CHAPTER WHERE NICK AND CHARLIE ADE IN A  
HOGWARTS AU I LOVE IT

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**may ↗ says**

oh my god, this is literally THE CUTEST thing I've ever read??? I'M SCREAMING. I'm actually in love with Nick & Charlie and I just binged the whole thing in the last half hour. I don't know how I'm going to wait for all the updates but whatever!!!! I'll just keep rereading it!!!!

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**Romie says**

OMG MY HEART I CANNOT TAKE IT! THE CUTENESS! THE FEELS! MY SONS ARE PRECIOUS!

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**????? ? says**

YOU KNOW THAT FEELING WHEN YOU GENTLY BURY YOUR FACE INTO A VERY SOFT

DOG??????

THAT'S HOW READING THIS COMIC FELT LIKE

I'm so mad how this review won't even nearly exhibit the pure flow and realness of this comic. this was the purest thing I've ever read in my whole life. It transcends purity. there isn't even a word for it.

it's just boys wholeheartedly loving other boys!! pure reciprocated love between boys and boys who take care of each other and have fun together and aren't afraid to be soft together!! AND IT'S SO GOOD AND WHOLESOME LIKE IF YOU LITERALLY CONDENSED DOWN A SUNBEAM I JUST WANT TO BASK IN THEIR GLOW FOREVER!!!

THEY ARE A BALL OF WARMTH AND LIGHT MY HEART IS SET ABLAZE!!!!!!

OH MY GOD AREN'T THEY JUST THE HUMAN PERSONIFICATION OF ALL THINGS NICE AND PURE I CAN LITERALLY FEEL THE WARMTH CREEPING INTO THE ICY CORNERS OF MY SOUL!!!!!!!!!!

THEIR SOFT UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF EACH OTHER SURPASSES EVERYTHING ELSE I AM LITERALLY IN TEARS

okay. now, real talk: Nick googling "am I gay" quizzes and having a full-on bisexuality crisis is the single most RELATABLE thing ever!!! I felt personally called out!!!!

also, shout out to coach Singh for shutting down bi-erasure. NOT ALL HEROES WEAR CAPES!!!!

**oh and there's like tons of mini comics:** a florist shop au, an adoption au, a harry potter au

guys please read this comic (you can find it here for free) and support the author because she's an A+ human and also you really want to read her other book Radio Silence (I read it recently & it's become one of my fav

books of all time IT'S SO GOOD!!!)

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### ? Silvia ? says

(this is still an ongoing comic but I'm marking it as read because I don't wanna keep it in my currently reading shelf)

#### Read it here!

THIS IS SO GOOD YOU GUYS. I've been meaning to read the author's books for a while now but since I've been so much in a mood for comics lately I decided to go with Heartstopper first, and I'm so glad I did. It literally only took me around one hour to read it from the start to the latest page and I've FELT so many things. Mainly I relate to Nick's confusion and I'm so happy to see sexuality explored in such a way.

I'll definitely keep reading the updates because I'm so invested now, and I'm even more excited to start reading the author's novels too whenever I get out of this weird comics-only reading slump.

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### Norah Una Sumner says

MY SKIN IS CLEAR  
MY CROPS ARE THRIVING  
MY GRADES ARE UP  
MY CRUSH LIKES ME BACK  
LIFE IS GOOD

(seriously now, I didn't even know that Heartstopper is on Goodreads because this five star rating would've come way sooner.)

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### Lily ?? says

**This is one of the most adorable stories I've ever read.**

To begin with, **the characters** are ridiculously lovable. Nick and Charlie are two precious cinnamon rolls, and they'll be locked in your heart from the very beginning. What is more, they actually have a **healthy relationship**, in which they talk about their feelings (and no one gets pressured to come out before they're ready!).

What I love especially is that **problematic characters get called out**, and it's apparent to everyone that they're in the wrong, and their actions (and bigotry) should not be tolerated.

**It also has great side characters**, who are super supportive of our leads, including Tao (Charlie's best [Asian!] friend, who cares about him a lot, and always looks out for him), Charlie's brother & sister (who do the same, and are invested in his relationship in the cutest way), and Nick's dog named Nellie, who couldn't possibly be more endearing.

Also, as you probably know, I'm a huge proponent for **diversity**, and *Heartstopper* is amazing in that aspect as well: it has gay, lesbian, demisexual and transgender characters, as well as a range of ethnicities.

**On a side note:** I'm currently screaming about the reference(s) to Patroclus and Achilles.

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THIS IS SO CUTE, MY HEART ALREADY STOPPED SEVERAL TIMES. And can we please talk about the fact that Nick literally **picks. Charlie. up** & it's their *thing*. ? no. 3

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**Alex ☆ Comets and Comments ☆ says**

*"Yes, I will listen to the rain. I will listen to the mountain bird. Oh, a heartstopper is the solitaire's one note - high, sweet, lonely, magic."*

**Here's why it's called *Heartstopper*.**

**Somewhere in the middle of those words, and the beautiful art. This story manages to do the following to that 'hollow muscular organ that pumps the blood through the circulatory system':**

- **Make's it skip.**
- **Fills it up.**
- **Stops it dead.**
- **Starts it up again.**

**By the time you've experienced Nick and Charlie, you'll have your heart in your hands and a smile on your face as you look at it, because it now belongs to both those nerds.**

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### **A Note To Me**

This is my first ever 5 stars to a graphic novel / comic. I am very very stingy with that last star, and those who know me and my reviews will be able to tell you just what a bitch I am when handing out 4/5 stars.

It deserved every. single. one.

In another one of my sequential art reviews I wrote the following:

**Let me tell you a little something about graphic novels.**

The ratio is about 2 part words, and 5 part images.

2:5.

Ladies and gentlemen. That's not a lot of legroom for authors to work with.

They have, what my old design teacher would call - "a very minimal amount of available resources to create a functioning system."

**2:5.**

*And some authors can create magic.*

Magic in their shortage of words, picking each and every one out, so that the system not only works but thrives...

So that the message goes across in that little word count, and the letters infiltrate pathos in your head. Then, add that to the beautiful artwork that graphic novelists aid their words with - you're left with a substance to your magic. It's the fuel that drives the story to where it's going.

**The system needs the fuel to go forth in it's purpose, and the fuel needs the system to even have purpose.**

### **Nick and Charlie**

Here's what I love about what *Heartstopper* is so far. I love that it has aspects to it that are so real in today's society, specifically pertaining to the LGBTQ+ community. It was more than just a coming of age, it was a tribute to this generation. OUR generation.

We got this movement of emotions and just as the characters were realizing things about themselves, the audience also realizes things about today. How it is okay not to be okay.

I never understood how things like homophobia could be a thing. And maybe that's just me.

But whenever I hear a person pissing on people who choose to love the same sex, or a different sex.

I always ask "Would you choose who you love because they have a different shoe size than you?"

\*Here's when I would get the blank, confused, dumbfounded stares\*

Then, I would say "that's just as stupid and idiotic as choosing someone to love according to their sex."

Alice Oseman, delivers that meaning through the hearts of teenage boys. She does it spectacularly. She pulls through how love is love no matter what. In a world full of hate, no one should care when a person loves another.

This comic touched me in every single way it possibly could, and I recommend everyone and their dog to read it.

It's safe to say, that Charlie Spring has my heart, and anyone who has the courage to come and fuck with it, can fuck with me.

(I have books, and I am not afraid to throw them at you.

yeah, I'll give you two seconds to run)

### **A Note to You**

*Heartstopper* is a free read! The author posts new pages on tumblr as well as tapas! So if ever you have a spare hour, you can cruise through what's up so far. She also posts little tiny extra's and minicomics here and there and I didn't know I needed them in my life, until I saw them.

**Give these two boys a chance.  
You won't regret it.**

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**Elise (TheBookishActress) says**

This is basically the cutest thing ever. It's simply a webcomic about two teenagers falling in love, and it is the *sweetest* thing I have ever read. The two leads, Nick and Charlie, are each compelling, and the romance is lovely. Plus, there's a lot of great humor.

You can find this to read here! And it's ongoing, so for my own personal reference: this is the last chapter I read.

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