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Alice senang banget setelah jadian dengan Patrick. Apalagi Pamela sahabatnya bilang hanya cewek kuper yang belum punya pacar saat masuk kelas tujuh. Awalnya sih memang asyik; Patrick jadi sering main ke rumahnya, dan mereka selalu nongkrong bareng sepanjang liburan musim panas. Patrick meneleponnya hampir setiap hari, mengajaknya makan es krim, mengajarnya main piano, dan memberinya bunga saat perasaan Alice lagi kacau. Mereka bahkan sempat main-main di pantai bareng. Pokoknya seru banget deh!!!

Tapi lama-lama punya pacar tuh ternyata repot juga ya?! Alice terus-menerus cemas tentang berbagai hal, dari mulai masalah rambut, bau mulut, kado ultah yang cocok, sampai takut kelihatan tolol di depan Patrick saat cowok itu mengajaknya makan malam. Kayaknya waktu mereka berteman keadaannya nggak serumit ini deh. Alice jadi pusing. Di satu sisi dia pengen terus dekat sama Patrick, tapi di sisi lain dia mulai bete karena nggak bisa jadi diri sendiri. Patrick sebagai teman ternyata lebih asyik daripada Patrick sebagai pacar. Jadi Alice harus gimana dong?

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Lauren says

These books are so cute

Celinda Reyes says

Everytime I read this book, I fall more in love with it. Alice is such a relatable character & the author really captures what it's like to be a 12 year old girl. This is definitely one of my favkrite series & I HIGHLY recommend it to anyone who loves great writing & entertaining stories.

Jennifer says

This was really good with a positive message for girls - I will definitely recommend. Probably banned due to some REALLY subtle intimations that her 19 year old brother is having sex with his girlfriend. My favorite part is near the end when she says (and I'm paraphrasing since I don't have the book in front of me) that she really likes this guy, probably more than he knows, but it's also time to start liking herself - what do I want, what kind of person do I want to be? I thought that was a great message for young girls.

Alexandria Villavicencio says

Alice In Rapture, Sort Of by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor was an amazing book to read. I would read this book again and again if I could. Alice has many problems of dating a boy. This is my first time actually liking a book and reading it. I loved this book just from reading the first sentence, "I had just drank my orange juice and was waiting for my toast to pop when Dad said, "Well, the summer of the first boyfriend!" This really caught my attention to reading this book. I don't recommend this book to everyone. Other then that I couldn't put the book down.

Morgan says

I still think it's great fun

Volkert says

Alice and her two friends are hung up on having boyfriends by the time 7th grade begins in September. Although the story is realistically and humorously told, I find the references to kiss, French kissing and a brother's immorality disconcerting, especially since this book is targeted for the elementary level. Not recommended.

Melody says

The Alice saga continues! I really enjoyed this cute little book and it was nice to read sort of a continuation of "The Agony of Alice". I wish I had realized this was a whole series when I was in junior high. I was reading all the time so how did I miss this?!

As for this book, it was cute, but I feel like it would be one of those books that if I had read it as a teen, I would have had a different reaction than reading it as an adult. Not sure if that makes sense. Like, the scene where the dad just lets the girls be on their own on the beach. I would have thought nothing of it because my mom let me be by myself when I was that age. But as an adult, I'm thinking, no, don't let the kids go to the beach by themselves! What if something happens or those boys take advantage of them?! lol Or maybe it's just because this is an older book. You know, times change, and nowadays, maybe you don't let your almost teenager daughter have that much freedom. Hmm.

The other thing in reading this was that I felt the rising seventh grade girls were a little advanced for their ages. I mean, french kissing? Although to be honest, I never had a boyfriend at that age so what do I know? LOL I do remember being that age though and having boys and girls start to pair off.

The thing that remains true though is the feelings and emotions of Alice. She, I think, is a character that most girls could relate to in some way or another. Or like, Pamela, when she gets mad at Mark for running around with her bra, her angry reaction seemed about right. Or Elizabeth when she is upset and doesn't come outside, says she's sick, etc. That's how kids that age are.

The book had somewhat of a fitting conclusion. I was proud of Alice for realizing that maybe there are things she's not quite ready for and that she needed to take a step back. I'm looking forward to continuing the series. I want to find out what happens to Alice next!

Ashley Lynne says

Definitely my favorite of the Alice series [and believe me, i've read them all! been working on it since 6th grade!]

This one was the first one I read of the series, and none of the others have quite met this one.

Alice is a regular ol' teenager. You can relate to her. And at the same time, you feel sorry for her for her lack of a mom and the distant relationship with her dad and brother.

Read this if you just can't seem to relate yourself to anyone else...this book [and the rest of the series, for that matter] will definitely change that!

Joyce says

I'm flying through this series. This book was mainly about Alice's first boyfriend during the summer between sixth and seventh grade. I'm four years older than Alice is in this book, so it was kind of interesting to see her experience all these things that I never have haha. I loved all the realistic and interesting characters - Alice's dad and brother Lester, friends Pamela and Elizabeth, Patrick, etc. The part where they went to a beach house in Ocean City for a week was so cool because I just recently went to one for the first time for a week,

and I just got back a few days ago. As with the other books, I remember a lot of details from when I read these books the first time, and they come surging back when I get to a certain part. Alice is the best girl to look for when growing up. She shares all the struggles and relatable questions.

Sarah says

This was my favorite book in 4th grade! Even reading it as an adult was enjoyable.

Leigha says

Child me: 4 stars

Adult me: 3 stars

For the first book in a "child/teen/middlegrade/nostalgic" book, I am going with the rating younger me would have gone with, then if I read on in the series, I will rate the books what adult me believes it should be rated. If the book is a stand alone, I will go with whatever rating I feel most comfortable giving the book. Please note, I do not really think books should have an age limit. People should read what they want to regardless of the intended age group, except for kids reading erotica or something, of course.

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****Mild spoilers****

I think I am turning into an old person. All through this, I kept thinking how they were too young to be thinking about having boyfriends, kissing, among other things and not able to really get into the story because I could not relate at all to the boyfriend/romance stuff. When I was around 12, I had the random crush, sure and 1 'boyfriend' who only walked me home a couple times, but I broke up with him after a month or so because his friends made a bet on who would kiss their 'girlfriend' first and I did not want to kiss. Ah... so innocent back then. Maybe I was the only preteen/young teen who did not get obsessed over having a boyfriend.

It felt like most of this book was just about boyfriend/kissing stuff, which I can understand would be helpful to some people in a similar time of their life. It took about until the middle of the book for me to get more interested in the story line. I liked the parts where she is learning about her mother and the babysitting parts. I like the friendship parts and wish the story went more into the friendship. I liked when she visited her old teacher and when her neighbor was nice enough to care for her.

I am so glad that Alice decides she is not ready for a boyfriend and wants to find herself. I wonder how long that will last.

I really do like the writing style and have high hopes for the rest of the series.

Judith Bautista says

Have you ever had to make a big decision? The genre of this book is realistic fiction. In my opinion I think

this was an interesting book because it talked about Alice's love life.

The setting of this book is at Alice's school and at her house. The setting is important because it creates the whole book. The conflict of this book is person vs self because Alice was trying to decide whether or not to break up with her boyfriend Patrick Long. Alice was going to seventh grade in a couple of weeks. Alice's friends Elizabeth and Pamela told her that she should not break up with Patrick because Pamela told Alice that the very worst thing that can happen to you is to start seventh grade without a boyfriend. Alice loved Patrick very much but before her friends told her about not breaking up with him, Alice knew she just wanted to be friends with Patrick. Meanwhile, a few days later Patrick came over Alice's house to hang out. Alice told Patrick that she wanted to be friends for a while because she liked it better the way they were before as friends. Patrick was fine with that. Then Alice told Patrick that they will be special friends. Pamela and Elizabeth thought that Alice was crazy by breaking up with Patrick. The theme of this book is friendship because Alice and Patrick still got along with each other as special friends.

A major event that changed the character was when Alice told Patrick that she just wanted to be special friends. After that Alice felt more confident. The 1st person point of view affects the story because it shows how Alice feels like when she wanted to tell Patrick about the special friends and she felt sort of scared to tell him. Another theme that recurs throughout the book is bravery. This theme can be seen when Alice told Patrick that she wanted to be friends.

I was surprised when Alice told Patrick that she wanted to be friends for a while because I thought that Alice would never do that because she loved Patrick. My favorite part was when Elizabeth and Pamela said that Alice was crazy because I imagine how their reactions would of be. I thought the ending of the book was pretty good and funny because Alice started seventh grade and she was lost the first day and she did not know where to go.

I rate this book 5 out of 5 stars because this was a good book. I recommend this book for people who like to read about relationships because this book was about Alice and Patrick's relationship and friendship. Alice made a big decision and Alice and Patrick became special friends.

Liz says

It is the summer between sixth and seventh grade and Alice is happy that she has a group of close friends and, for the first time, a real boyfriend. As the summer unfolds, Alice has fun with her friends, endures the teasing of her tactless older brother, long for a mother to guide her through the mysteries of growing up female (her mother died when she was small), and persists in being herself.

This book is the second of a continuing series about Alice McKinley, her family and friends. These are great stories because although many valuable life lessons are embedded in the narrative, but it never descends into preachiness or obvious moralizing. The earlier books are appropriate for tween readers, but some of the later books deal with issues more age-appropriate to older teens.

Cheryl says

Pretty darn cute. I like how Alice is pretty much ok with herself, and fits in pretty well at school. So many books are about dysfunction, or outsiders, or victims of bullies... Alice's life isn't so perfect that she doesn't have a chance to learn some lessons, but all-in-all she's pretty average and I do believe most girls will be able

to identify well with her because they're likely to feel pretty average too.

The messages are rather earnest and obvious, which means that this is also good for reluctant readers of Alice's age, as well as curious younger readers. I don't necessarily recommend it for under age 9 though... I suppose it depends on just how curious the child is about kissing "that way" and gossip and loyalty to friends....

I'm going to keep reading as these are short, sort of comforting in a way, and I want to find out what happens to Pamela (it is, apparently, kinda important to read them in order).

And because I want to keep learning. My mother didn't tell me everything, either. In this book my favorite lesson is actually a recipe. Start some onions sauteing. Add pork chops, fry (simmer) until done. Dump a can of applesauce (two diced, microwaved, smashed apples) on top. Serve.

Shira says

hell yes she don't need no man.
