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Jacob Marks has noticed that crimes are committed whether or not he happens to have a social engagement on the agenda. Date another PsyCop, and the likelihood of having a successful night out are cut in half.

Of course Jacob feels sorry for the poor sap in the Fifth Precinct who's been shot. But did he have to go and get himself offed on New Year's Eve?

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Gigi says

Even though this was only 7 pages, it gets **ALL** the stars for being from Jacob's POV.

I *love* Jacob. Tons and tons.

Lori says

These shorts are a fab way of getting insight into some of the characters, from their pov as opposed to Vic's. (Vic <3)

Shurrn says

Jacob & Vic's First New Years Eve...

"This wasn't exactly the way I pictured tonight turning out," he said, "but for some reason I feel pretty okay about it."

Well, their first new years, but they're not spending it together...

This adorable little side story was told through Jacob's POV, and he's not looking forward to ringing in the New Year alone... Jacob and Vic were supposed to watch the ball drop at a friend's party, but Vic was called away on a case at the last second.

This story was so incredibly sweet - the perfect reminder that there is a lovely romance blooming between these characters. Jacobs bit of melancholy about being away from Vic gave me a mountain of warm fuzzies.

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Tara says

5/25-2010- 5/25-2010- This a a Psycop short that takes place between books #3 (Body & Soul) & #4 (Secrets). The best part is it is from the POV of Jacob which is nice. He really truly just seems to pine for Vic when he's not around- in a very pure hearted vulnerable way and we see that. I still want more Jacob. I want to know what made him make that first move. I want to know how he was certain that Vic was gay and that his advances would be welcomed. But I still think it's sweet. It seems like when all is said and done he might just be the one that is more invested in the relationship, the one with the bigger heart that is easier to break. Oh I just love these two! This story also shows Vic being the super romantic one, which is a nice change as well. 4 stars

reread 8/26/13 I love this little story. Jacob always seems so strong and steady and stoic because that's the way Vic sees him. But it's nice to see a little bit behind the cool exterior. And Jacob is sweet and vulnerable. Plus in his eyes Vic isn't a mess at all, but almost suave. I would love to see more of this side of both the boys. The only change I made is I raised the rating to five stars.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

Holy moly, is that guy on the cover of this book Jacob? Be still my heart! He is younger than I expected. And smoking. Now I'll stop gawking and write a real review.

I really enjoyed seeing things from Jacob's point of view. His chemistry with Vic always shines through and I liked this small glimpse into their lives.

Nancy says

This is one of few stories where the reader gets Jacob's perspective on events. It's Vic and Jacob's first New Year together, and they are planning to attend a party hosted by Jacob's ex, Keith, but work calls and Jacob goes alone. It was nice getting into Jacob's head and knowing how strong his feelings for Vic are. I never knew Vic had a cleft chin.

Sofia says

A little bit of Jacob is always welcome.

His perspective if the apartment is so different than Vic's. Looking forward to the cannery.

Jennifer?Pher? says

Man, these shorties are like totally short. Just a handful of pages it seems. Victor did good though. Happy New Year!

Ula'ndi Hart says

Short and informative. Little glimpses are always welcome and of course it being out of Jacobs POV is a big plus

? Irena ? says

2.5

If you would read this not knowing anything about Jacob and Vic, you would be left with a 'huh' in the end. Even knowing about the world doesn't make this more than it is. It is less of a snippet in their life. It is Jacob's point of view of Jacob and Vic's unsuccessful attempt to celebrate New Year's Eve together. You get a party he has to go without Vic. One of the hosts is Jacob's ex and a former cop who left the force because of 'the grumblings of a few homophobes'. Keith is not a pleasant person and in case you want to know a bit more about the reason he is so unpleasant, read Inside Out.

If I were to recommend something short to those who want to know about Jacob and Vic, this wouldn't be my choice. It really doesn't show much.

Still, I am rating this good for the same reason someone would rate it lower since this is for the readers who already know them. Plus, there is no Crash here (a more than a good thing as far as I am concerned).

♣ Irish Smurfétté ♣ says

Oh goodness, even in this shorty short, the chemistry and comfort and desire that make up Vic 'n Jacob all come through.

I liked seeing Manny and his silly confident self.

Getting inside Jacob's head is such a vunderbar thing. It essentially confirms what we already know: that he loves Vic and plans on doing that for a very long time... and Vic knows it, too.

Love.

Ingie says

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3 1/2 Stars - *Mwah*, I adore these boys

Book #3.1

Just a few pages, a holiday freebie, told in Jacob's POV.

Cheers for the PsyCop's!

It's the New Years in *Chicago* and there is a party with friends but Victor has to go to work. Jacob is celebrating but it isn't the same without his lover.

Luckily is Victor a sweetie boyfriend and doesn't miss the chance for a New Years kiss.

I LIKE - ...a late but again: Happy New Year!

Shin Mon Thway says

God, 17 minutes of pure eargasms! I seriously can't get enough of Jacob's gruffy manly voice. Seriously, I'd die happy if JCP ever writes a book or even a novella solely on Jacob's PoV. That being said, I'm already said time and time again that our Vic is actually a sappy romantic. *sighs happily* New year kisses are the best. Melted my heart!

5 Jacob loves playing house with Vic so much stars

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Cristina T. says

It was really good to read Jacob's POV for a change! I enjoyed getting inside his head and reading about his feelings for Victor.

They'd planned on spending New Year's Eve together, with Jacob's friends. It was going to be his chance to introduce his boyfriend to the group, but of course things don't go as smoothly when you are a PsyCop and work barges in late at night.

Vic got little page time here, but when he showed up and they shared that lovely moment, it spoke volumes of how far they've come already.

"This wasn't exactly the way I pictured tonight turning out," he said, "but for some reason I feel pretty okay about it."

Susan says

Awww...I love this one! It's from Jacob's POV, which, since the majority of the series is from Vic's, you don't get the "feel" for Jacob as well (and trust, you want to *feel* ...kekekeke!)

Jacob has to go to a New Years party w/o Vic and it's just not that fun for him. I love this guy...mostly I love how he loves. So fully, so devotedly. *sigh*.

Good one...made my day...
