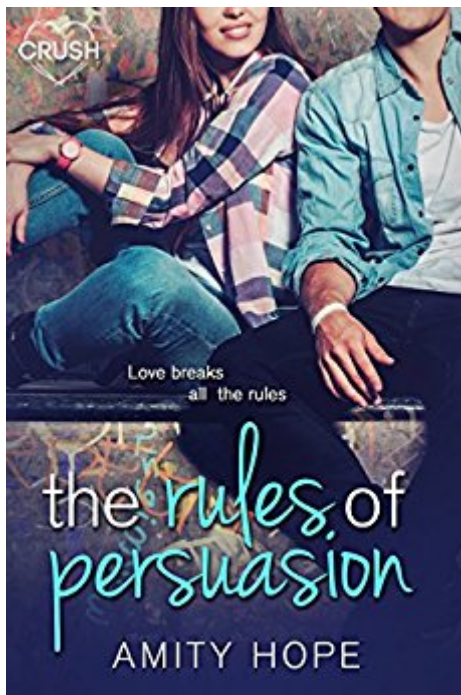


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The Rules Of Persuasion



Synopsis

1)Take things slow (her rule) 2)Make it believable (his rule) After tragedy hit her family, Meg Matthews officially crossed the line from "good girl" to "bad girl." Motorcycle? Check. Graffiti? Check. The only thing Meg hadn't planned on was blackmail. Too bad now a certain infuriating boy holds Meg's future in his hands... When Luke Prescott "star pitcher and town golden boy" catches Meg vandalizing the school, she's given two choices: face the consequences or enter into a fake relationship with him to get his parents and his ex off his back. But as Meg and Luke grow closer, they both realize they've been keeping secrets from each other. Their fake relationship might be doomed from the start if they can't learn to open up to the one person they never thought they'd trust. Disclaimer: This Entangled Teen Crush book contains late-night graffiti sessions, flirty baseball lessons, and a never-ending list of relationship rules just made to be broken.

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Customer Reviews

This was a good cute read.

The Rules of Persuasion is a young adult contemporary romance from Amity Hope. It follows one of my favorite tropes—the fake relationship trope. But this one starts out with a little blackmail, which is always fun. The Rules of Persuasion was a cute read that I really enjoyed. Meg and Luke are the main characters of The Rules of Persuasion, and I have to say they were really interesting. Together and separately. First off, let me say that I really loved both of them. I think they are awesome people, but darn it if I didn't not disagree with Meg once or twice. What I did like about the two of them was how strong of personalities they both had. Meg has no problem putting Luke in his place when he tries to steamroll her and get his way. Instead of the bad boy, Meg was the bad girl. But it worked out. Meg and Luke balanced each other out. They were each so good for the other one. I also loved that The Rules of Persuasion was told in dual narrative between Luke and Meg. That is by far my favorite narration style for a book like this one. This might sound weird, but my favorite thing about this story was the little notebook of rules that Meg and Luke would keep. I loved seeing what funny new things they would come up with. It summed up the story perfectly. It was so unexpectedly cute and fun. I really enjoyed it. I have to say it was a little predictable, but as I have explained before that doesn't bother me at all. In fact, I kind of like it. The Rules of Persuasion was a great summer time read for me. I would highly recommend it to fans of contemporary romances who like bets and fake romance story lines. This one was a hit for me. -Disclaimer- I was sent a copy of this book for free. I was not compensated for my thoughts.

Blackmail? Everyone knows about it but no one wants to be on the receiving end of it. Our two main characters are in a game of cat and mouse. One uses the other for their own personal gain not knowing that their heart can get tangled up in the sham relationship they created. We have a rebel girl with a cause. Magyn doesn't want to be at home. With the death of her little sister, Sydney, her family is falling apart at the seams. She tries to find an outlet sometimes it is radical and others are just breaking the laws. However; she feels closer to her sister when she does it. Problem is she gets caught by Luke Prescott one evening. Luke hates his life. Everyone thinks his life is luxuries because of his families name and social statues. There may be some perks, but to him it feels more like a gilded cage. His family has expectations for him which include but are not limited to: who to date, what to wear, how to speak, who to socialize with, what college to attend, what degree to obtain, and what job he will one day have. All these things are shoved down his throat and he finally throws them back up at his parents. He needed to get his parents and an approved girl to date, off his back, he decided to find someone to have a fake

relationship with him. But whom? When he sees Magyn spray painting part of the high school one evening he finally saw his chance. Someone that won't expect anything, but will pretend for him. He decided the only way to convince her to play this charade is by blackmailing her. The ultimatum of turning her into the authorities for vandalism and graffiti or her playing along as the dutiful girlfriend. When Magyn sees no way to get out of Luke's blackmail she is stuck pretending to be his for the school year. However, the more time she spends with the Luke the more she realizes he isn't the cocky, rich, self-absorbed, snob that she always thought. He is actually kind, and funny, and annoyingly cute. Luke has always appreciate and admire Magyn's beauty from afar, but now he knows there is more to her than meets the eye. She has a secret reason for her crimes that she won't tell him, but the more he gets her to pull back her layers the more he comes to like her. I enjoyed this story. It was cute, but not over the top. These two had some hard situations to overcome. You can tell Magyn just struggled so much because her family was literally being torn apart. Her parents were fighting all the time. Her mother was in a deep depression which was bleeding into the family. It was difficult to read at times because you can just feel the turmoil that Magyn was around. With Luke he had some difficult decisions to make. His elder brother was someone he looked up to and used as a life line. I liked their relationship. Luke's parents were SO messed up! And the way they would try to manipulate him was just wrong on so many levels. Luke and Magyn had some really sweet moments that I enjoyed. The more they let down their walls and trusted each other the more it was obvious how much they truly cared for one another. Good Read. Enjoyable. Parental Advisory: Active drinking, mild to moderate swearing, heavy kissing, nothing graphic, depression, breaking laws.

I've been dying to read *The Rules of Persuasion* ever since I first heard about it! Late-night graffiti sessions, a fauxmance, and flirty baseball lessons? It sounded like the exact recipe for a perfect romance read! Luckily, *The Rules of Persuasion* was everything I hoped it would be and much, much more. Meg Matthews knows she shouldn't have been tagging her high school that fateful night. It was risky and slightly careless, but she couldn't resist giving her sister such a public tribute. At first, it was going well - no one sees her - and then Luke Prescott showed up. Luke Prescott - "the spoiled rich kid" as Meg refers to him as - is the son of one of the richest families in their small town. Arrogant and used to getting what he wants, Luke is someone who Meg has always managed to avoid...but that's not the case anymore. Offering her an ultimatum - either he turns her in or she pretends to be his fake girlfriend - Meg is left with no choice other than to be Luke's girlfriend. Now with a set of "Rules of Persuasion," Meg and Luke set out to fool everyone....but is there a tingle of

real behind those explosive kisses? Fauxmances are nothing new in YA literature, but I still love them just the same. They leave so much room open for potential romance, squabbling, and whole lot of awkward yet funny moments. What makes it even better in the case of *The Rules of Persuasion* is that Amity Hope does such a fantastic job of developing Meg and Luke's fake romance turned real. It's chaotic and slightly messy. It has increasing and well placed tingles of real romance. More importantly, it opened up so much funny banter as well as hilarious disagreements - really the two things I live for in romantic comedy type reads. When Meg and Luke are first introduced it's hard to imagine they'll ever find common ground. Meg is determined, mostly fearless, and always quick to speak the truth. Her situation with her family was heartbreaking yet incredibly realistic. I particularly liked how while Amity offered up some hard topics with that, she still managed to give the perfect ratio of the tough topics as well as the light. At first glance, Luke seems like the stereotypical golden boy; however, there's a lot more to him than meets the eye. I loved how dedicated he was to giving back to the community, especially kids at risk, as well as the fact that he strived to be better than his father, even if it meant risking an easier future. Making Luke even better was how charming he was. Sure, he could be a grad-A jerk sometimes, but the moments where he truly left his charmer come out, I was full force swooning! I loved the way he was with Meg, especially towards the end. Basically, if you love books about fake relationships containing very real kisses, late night graffiti sessions, and charming banter, *The Rules of Persuasion* is for you! But word of warning: you'll be swooning all the way through! Grade: A+

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