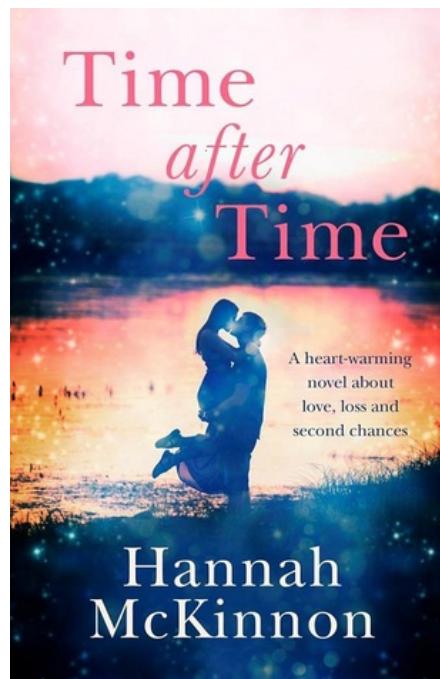




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Time After Time is a fresh and funny work of women's commercial fiction, which explores the romantic paths that could have been . . .

For fans of Laura Barnett and Dani Atkins, Hannah McKinnon has written a moving story that will resonate with any woman who has ever wondered, in a moment of frustration, "what if?".

Hayley Cooper, a powerful but now struggling lawyer, fantasizes about what her life would be like if only if she'd made different choices. It's understandable; the past two years have been hell. She barely sees her kids, her boss is trying to sabotage her, and her marriage is falling apart.

Burnt out, Hayley goes to sleep wishing for a different life. When she wakes up married to her first boyfriend, one she has not seen in over twenty years, she realizes there might be some truth in the saying "be careful what you wish for". Over a single weekend, like Ebenezer Scrooge, Hayley gets to see her life on other side of the white picket fence – not just with her first ex, but with each of her past loves. But is the grass always greener, and will she ever want to go home?

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Emma Gallis says

Thanks to net galley for giving me a preview of the book! Loved this book! I really love a book when it gives alternate realities and Hannah McKinnon approaches this brilliantly! Hayley was a lovely character and the book kept you hooked throughout! Will definitely look out for this author in the future!

Leah says

Time After Time is one of those books you can't put down - if only because, you absolutely have to find out what happens to Hayley. My favourite kind of books are the ones that show what the grass is like on the other side, and Hayley is desperate to know if the grass is indeed greener considering her life is falling apart - she's arguing with her hubby Rick, she's losing clients left, right and centre, in her job as a lawyer, and she can't help wondering if one of her exes would have been a better fit as a soulmate.

So we journey with Hayley as she sees how each of her lives in turn would have panned out with her exes - as well as learning the story back in the 90s/early 00s about how she met them originally. It's a fantastic way to tell the story, although I got tripped up a few times trying to remember what was real (in the 90s) and what was just a potential side plot as Hayley sees her exes again, because her life each time is vastly different, and it's interesting to see how Hayley's life would have been with Chris, Sean, Matthew or Ian. There were good bits and bad bits with each of Hayley's exes, and I absolutely loved Matthew, he was by far my favourite of the four. If Hayley doesn't want him (OR RICK) can I have him, please?

I really liked Hayley, and I had sympathy with her when it came to wondering if her life could be better, because haven't we all wondered what would have happened if we had made a different decision? Done something differently? So it was interesting to go on that journey with her, because it's almost as if she needed to go on that journey to figure out what she wanted from her life going forward, with or without Rick. I actually really liked Rick, he seemed so sweet.

Time After Time was such an emotional thought-provoking read, and I really enjoyed it. I just had to keep reading, because you really do need to find out what happens to Hayley in the end, and I was never quite sure. I loved the fact this was set in present times and in the 90s, so we knew Hayley when she was younger, although there should have been way more pop culture! The 90s were awesome, man, and we needed more than just Back For Good by Take That. But, kidding aside, this is a fantastic read, and Hannah is a bright new voice in fiction (and not to be confused with the American Hannah McKinnon, there are TWO Hannan McKinnons FYI).

Suze Lavender says

Hayley and Rick are having a tough time together. Things aren't going well at work for Hayley either, because she has a terrible boss. She rarely sees her family and she works as hard as she can to bring a good salary to the table, so she can take care of the people she loves. She fantasizes about a different life, what would have happened if she'd have married any of her other boyfriends? When she wakes up next to her first love the next day Hayley knows she should have been careful wishing something like that. There's no going back now and she has to see what marriage would have been like with each of her ex boyfriends. Has she

made the right choices in the past or could she have been much happier than she is now?

Time After Time is a fantastic story about a woman who wishes a different path for herself. When Hayley sees what it's like to be married to the men who used to be in her life before Rick she learns to see what's really in her heart. Each marriage brings her more understanding. With every man she dated in her past she learned more about what she wanted and what to look for in a partner. Being married to them teaches her something new about herself again. I loved that aspect of the story. Hayley's experiences make her wiser and they give her valuable insights into her own behavior.

Hayley is a sweet and strong woman, but like every human being she has her flaws. She's a wonderful main character and I could easily picture her with each of the men she chose. She's strong and goes after what she wants. When she makes her decisions she doesn't question herself. I loved reading the mix of her past and present and Hannah McKinnon cleverly switches between them. Timing is important in a story like this and she knows exactly when to give what information. That makes Time After Time interesting and gripping. I couldn't wait to find out what would happen to Hayley and what being married to each partner would show her about herself.

Hannah McKinnon's writing flows easily. Her story is compelling and I couldn't put it down. People are always asking themselves the what-if question and as a theme for a book it's both fascinating and entertaining. I liked this story very much and think it's a great read with a lovely romantic ending.

Joan says

After a row with her husband Hayley Cooper flounces out of the house to get it all off her chest at her best friend's house. Ellen and Hayley are inseparable, and her husband Mark is a sterling guy as well, always sensible and welcoming. They are the voices of reason and they will be honest with her and guide her. Hayley, an up and coming lawyer, is stressed to the hilt. A job change that had been almost a certainty had fallen through and she was sick to the back teeth with being taken advantage of and overworked. Worst of all was the fact that her boss had turned against her and was rubbishing her work. She had scarcely seen her children Milly and Danny and, but for weekends, she wouldn't see them at all. It all culminated in the row with Rick, her househusband, though trying his best to build up a business of his own. That was the final straw, the lit fuse. Rick had been working on his own project and had not completed his household chores. There would be even more for her to fit into her precious weekend. Her frustration with the situation and yearning for a change ignited within her and so began the worst weekend of her life.

The next morning, when she woke up she was in bed with...No it couldn't be true...She would never cheat on Rick! It wasn't Rick, but her very first serious boyfriend and they were in his mother's house, oh so familiar to her. No! But worse was in store for her, because every time she woke up, it was still a Saturday morning and she was with a different boyfriend. The 'what-ifs', the 'whys', the 'wherefores', the back history of each relationship, the futures that may unfold, the living in the now scenarios: they are all played out in this novel. There is laughter, tears, rich boyfriends, handsome boyfriends, cheating boyfriends, kind boyfriends, proposals, even a new family, heartbreak, illnesses, grief and regrets, until the realisation that all she really wants is her old life back. Every Saturday morning she is full of expectation and hoping that she will wake up with Rick, play cuddle her children once more and resume her life built up over the years. She has learnt that it's a certain truth that the grass is not always greener on the other side of the fence.

This is a novel all about second chances and what they may really mean. As Hayley journeys through her past life, her now life and her future life with every boyfriend she has loved, she learns powerful lessons and yearns to share it with Rick. What they have is not stale, certainly not over. My favourite characters were

Rick who was a supportive and loving husband, Matt who was one of her former lovers and her best friends Mark and Ellen, who were constants in her alternative what-ifs, as were her lovely mother and father. The storytelling in this novel was full of imagination and well written, fluid and flowing. I would like to thank Netgalley and Transworld digital for my copy of 'Time After Time', sent to me in return for an honest review. This is a good read within the genre and I enjoyed reading about the journeys Hayley took in order to discover where her true love and their future lay. It's a well-deserved 7/10 from me.

Jennifer says

Do you ever sit around and wonder, "what if?" Whether it be about a move somewhere, a job, or an ex? I would think that at some point, everyone has stopped to question a decision and wondered how things would be different if they had chosen differently. Today I read, *Time After Time: A Heart-Warming Novel About Love, Loss, and Second Chances*, by Hannah McKinnon, a story about wondering "what if" and getting to see how things would've been if done differently. This is a fantastic first novel of McKinnon's touching on romance, as well as, fantasy.

Hayley is grumpy and in a life rut. She has never-ending work hours as a solicitor at a law firm, feels that she is on the verge of losing her job, her father has had a stroke, she never sees her family, and fights with her husband about everything. After a particularly bad argument with her husband, Rick, Hayley takes off to her best friend Ellen's house. After too much wine, Hayley sits with her friend wondering, "what if?" She recalls previous boyfriends prior to marrying Rick and wonders to herself if life would have been better if she would have married one of them. The following morning, Hayley awakens to find herself in a different life, in a "what if" life. From here, McKinnon takes the reader on a journey between past, present, reality, and what could have been. Hayley is able to re-visit and live as a wife of Chris, Ian, Matthew, and Sean, to catch a glimpse of what her life would have been like if she had married each of them. As the story unfolds, it flip-flops between past (providing details of how they met and their relationship), and make-believe present (where Hayley sees how things would have turned out if she had married/stayed with them). As Hayley moves through each of her "what if" lives, the reader wonders if she will see a better life, or a better choice that she could have made, or if marrying Rick was her destiny.

So, first of all, this is not a new concept in writing or films. Think *Groundhog Day* or *The Family Man*, and honestly when I first realized the premise of this novel, I sort of grumbled to myself about this story being told before. However, I really enjoyed this novel. I sat down, started reading, and finished about three hours later. The cool thing about McKinnon's novel, is that in each "what if" scenario, it wasn't just Hayley's life that was changed, but everyone's lives were different. Whether it pertained to her Dad and having a stroke, or Ellen's ongoing struggle to have a baby with her husband, each course Hayley caught a glimpse of held something different for her loved ones. I enjoyed McKinnon's writing style which although a UK writer, I wasn't struggling to understand little expressions or innuendos. The main reason I loved this book was the theme. We all make choices, both small and large, and its human nature to look back once in a while and wonder. However, I am a believer that things happen for a reason and people don't just fall into our lives. There is a reason we meet certain people, fall in love with certain people, or just don't quite feel that certain people are right for us. What's important though, is that even when things get bumpy or rough, that we stop and remind ourselves that we are with that person for a reason, that we did fall in love with that person, and that life without them would be miserable. In the real world, we don't have the luxury of time-travelling through our "what ifs," so we need to respect, embrace, and be grateful for what our real life is.

I hope you will read and enjoy *Time After Time: A Heart-Warming Novel About Love, Loss, and Second Chances* as much as I did, and I can't wait to read more from this up and coming author!

Want to learn more about the author? Visit: <http://www.hannahmckinnonwriter.com/>

*Disclaimer: I received this ARC from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review. Original review from book review blog Dandelions Inspired.

marlin1 says

****3.5 stars****

There's a quote in the book 'He said it's Saturday. Dear God, it's like Ground hog Day meets Sliding Doors'. And I think that sums up this story very well.

Hayley's life is at breaking point. Her work as a solicitor has no work/life balance, and she is being undermined by her boss. Her marriage is strained while her husband is trying to set up his own web designing company and her kids.... well she just doesn't see enough of them and lastly her parents are causing her worry, especially her Dad as he has had a major health issue. After a disagreement with her husband she flees to her best friend's house for some sympathy and a few drinks. Meanwhile a thought goes through her head....'What if'. Upon waking up the next morning she finds the person beside her is not her husband Rick, it's her first boyfriend Chris and she finds herself back in the 1980's. Now Hayley has to work out what's happening, as we join her on her journey through her serious relationships and what may have been.

Time after Time was a very easy read with likeable characters. I always enjoy a 'good time travel/what if' kind of book, as they represent a good escapism. I found the chapters of each relationship good but within these chapters, there were chapters of what really happened in the relationship and then the 'what if' part. It took me a while to work this out but once I realised how it was written I got into the flow. It was also interesting to see the constant people in her life ie Hayley's parents, best friend Ellen and husband Mark and the circumstances of their life in each of Hayley's 'relationships'.
Is the grass really greener on the other side?

Thank you to Netgalley and the Publisher for a copy to read and review.

Yuana says

Grateful to what we have now. Good story

Rebecca says

Originally reviewed on Becca's Books.

When Time After Time by Hannah McKinnon was announced by Avon over on Twitter, I knew that I wanted to read this book. The cover, which I spotted first, enchants me completely even now. How could it not? If you know me at all then you'll know that I love anything that looks even slightly whimsical and

romantic, and after I'd read the blurb it seemed to tick all of my boxes. I couldn't wait to begin reading and I was delighted when Avon allowed me a review copy, which I'm incredibly grateful for, so thank you very much Avon!

In Hannah McKinnon's *Time After Time*, readers step back into the early years of Hayley Cooper's life in an entirely heartfelt and humorous way. Having argued with her husband Rick in the present day, the distance between them more visible than ever before, Hayley heads to best friend Ellen's house and drowns her troubles in wine. The next morning, after wondering about how her life could have turned out if she'd made different choices all those years before, Hayley wakes up in a bizarre and worrying world. She's gone back in time, and is about to find out the truth behind the old saying "be careful what you wish for" in a way she'd never thought possible.

One of the things that immediately stood out to me about this book was its structure. I adored how the author took the reader back in time, introducing readers to each of Hayley's early relationships and then back to the present day where Hayley is living the life she would have been handed if she'd stuck with each of her past boyfriends. I couldn't help but to feel a sliver of excitement during each jump between the times. I loved being witness to the moment Hayley met these men, and then learning of how the relationship would have went if they'd stayed together. It was brilliantly-written and had me hooked immediately. From each chapter to the next, I was captivated by the turn of events that took place and couldn't wait to see how Hayley would handle the cards she was dealt. There were so many ups and downs within the story itself. One moment things would seem perfect and by the next Hayley's life was up in the air once more. Fast-paced, funny and full of fabulous antics, I was eager to see where Hayley would end up next, and with whom.

The characters within Hannah McKinnon's *Time After Time* were fantastically put together. As well as Hayley herself, I found meeting her ex-boyfriend's incredibly entertaining. From one to the next, I was never quite sure of how things would take a turn for the worst, or for the best. Hayley herself was a wonderful heroine within this novel, one whom I'm sure lots of women can relate to. Hayley's marriage to Rick in the present day was becoming strained from life, from her career and from trying to perform that balancing act that so many women do. It's an almighty row that sets off Hayley's thoughts about where else she could have ended up being if she'd made different choices, without having any idea of what would come from it. I adored watching Hayley grow into the woman she was in the present day. We see her turn into a woman beside her best friend Ellen, along with the trials and tribulations of life, including dating. I truly felt as if I knew these characters inside out having gone so far back into their history. It was completely endearing and I just couldn't get enough.

All in all, I absolutely loved Hannah McKinnon's *Time After Time*. Although the author kept it real, it still had an element of magic and fairy-tale about it that was absolutely scrumptious. Written with heart and warmth, and that age old question of 'what if?', I'd certainly recommend this book to anyone who's ever wondered about where they could have ended up instead of where they are today. Cosy and superbly inviting, Becca's Books is awarding *Time After Time* by Hannah McKinnon with four of my bookish cupcakes. A must-read for anyone who loves a romantic comedy with a touch of sparkle!

Special thanks to Avon Books and Hannah McKinnon for providing me with a review copy of *Time After Time* in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Joanne says

I love books and films that look at what might have happened if people had made different choices. Films like *Sliding Doors* and of course, *It's A Wonderful Life*. Books like Laura Barnett's *The Versions of Us* and

Carmel Harrington's Every Time a Bell Rings. And Hannah McKinnon has written a book which is right up there as one of my favourites.

Hayley is a high flying lawyer working in mergers and acquisitions. She's always loved her job and been very good at it but recently pressure at work has taken over. She's spending more and more time at work, seeing less and less of husband Rick and children Millie and Danny and more time snapping and arguing with them. After an argument she storms off to best friend Ellen's and over a bottle of wine they do the 'what if' chat about Hayley's previous boyfriends. When she wakes the next morning she is horrified to find herself in bed with Chris, her first serious boyfriend. Has she had so much to drink that she has cheated on her husband and can't remember?

Poor Hayley soon comes to realise that she seems to be married to Chris and it most definitely hasn't worked out well. "Am I getting what I asked for? A glimpse into how my life could have been?" And when she wakens up over the next few days, she finds she is in a relationship with each of the men she has had serious relationships with. "He said it's Saturday. Dear god, it's like Groundhog Day meets Sliding Doors!"

What was great fun about this book was that although Hayley could remember clearly all about her real life with Rick and her children, of course nobody else could in these alternate lives. All the people she loved and cared about were living the alternate lives too leading sometimes to really funny situations and sometimes to really heartbreaking ones. Hayley realising that she was the leader of a kickboxing class was just hilarious. Finding out what happened to Hayley's friends and family in some of the alternate versions gave me a lump in the throat. Hannah McKinnon was just terrific at making me feel all the emotions along with Hayley.

Time After Time was a book that I raced through. Although it moves back and forward in time and different realities a lot, I was never confused as to what part of Hayley's life I was reading about. The characters were all so believable whether they were likeable or not. Hannah McKinnon created alternative realities for Hayley that were true to life, whether that life was funny, disappointing or upsetting. "Life was messy, it got complicated. What mattered, Hayley realised, was how you dealt with it." Hugely enjoyable, a must read for anyone who loves a great romantic comedy story and believes in true love. And a lesson that, as always, you must be careful what you wish for!

(I'm grateful to publishers Avon for allowing me to read a review copy of this book via Netgalley.)

Sionna says

I received this book through netgalley in exchange for an honest review

Truly, an amazing book. This is a book that will stick with me.

I loved how the book went from the past to the present in order to shed more light on Hayley's life and relationships so the reader knew exactly what she went through and then wonder about the jump to the 'future'.

I enjoyed the story and romances. I don't want to say too much about the love parts because that is what the story is about.

I will say that, the main part of the book was a bit obvious. I never doubted where she would end up but, that isn't the point of the story, in my opinion. Physically and romantically where she ended up wasn't as important as mentally where she ended up, aka the changes she went through and what she learned about herself.

There is an important message about love here, one that Hayley's father says in the book.

'Relationships are like houses. They need maintenance and if you aren't ready for that you shouldn't buy one.'

I feel this isn't something said enough but, it is definitely true.

Seriously, what a book and really makes me think about my own decisions - and even those decisions that haven't even come to pass yet. Every little thing you do can change your life.

Thamy says

Thanks to Netgalley, this ARC was received from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

Hayley is going through some rough times. Even though she has dedicated her all to work, barely having time for her family, her latest tasks have all fallen through and now she might be fired. To top her day, she engages into The Fight with her husband, lately a stay-at-home daddy trying to open his own business. Perhaps, life would have been better had she given a chance to her previous men... That is when the magic happens and shows her a glimpse into her alternate life.

In the beginning, I thought the atmosphere the cover and the blurb imply was misleading. The first parts are far from heartwarming and much closer to a comedy full of wit on how life could actually be worse. However, the story evolves into something more serious and closer to what you envision from that cover—without losing steam.

Is this really a debut novel? I found it amazing the control the author had over the story. This also proves how important an editor can be. You don't need to analyze much to notice how well planned this was. And I have a thing for planning, I feel goosebumps when pieces fall together.

Divided in two moments, Hayley's travel through her alternative lives and her past. I'm not fond of flashbacks but I found myself interested in both stories right because of how well the author managed to fit past and present. Also, be prepared for well calculated cliffhangers at the end of chapters. They always make sure I go for one more chapter before I go for some other activity. However, because of the structure, the answer to each question the end of the chapter left you with will only be found in the chapter after the following one.

For that, the book was not only easy to read but also engaging.

And I haven't even gone into the characters or the story itself!

Present-days Hayley is stressed out in the beginning and by the time you can get how she actually is, she is already going through changes. However, younger Hayley was a nice character. I confess I was a little jealous about how successful people kept saying she was—I prefer identifying with those who shine less. It was never a reason for me to feel anything negative toward her. In fact, it did make me understand better how her present-days situation may affect her even deeper than the norm.

The rest of the characters were even more interesting. Even though it was assumedly a Groundhog Day type of plotline, it allowed me to see the main ones through different lights. I was in love with Mark and Ellen, I

must say.

Hayley's men were a little stereotyped in the beginning, I could even give them objectified nicknames, like "the rich one", "the eternal baby one"... However, as the story progressed, their personalities too became more tridimensional. I did shed tears for poor Matthew, such a nice guy to the end...

The ending was more than satisfying. When you think she was able to reach perfect closure, the author went beyond for a few more pages. Usually, I would have felt anxious—"The story is over!" I'd scream at my e-reader—but I was so in love with the characters and her style I felt even happy for the extra time I got to spend with them.

My sole complaint is more of a personal standing but reviews are for personal opinions after all. I felt bothered by how the author associated happiness with "marriage and two kids". Her idea of an ultra unhappy ending implied choosing to live a single, childless life.

This is surely a page turner. Don't be fooled by the cover, this is a lively, easy-to-read story in which the author entertains you with all changes one life can suffer when you follow a different path. But don't think this is just a light rom com; won't even notice until you are already too involved. I can't wait for more from the author and see how much better she'll become.

Cat Skinner says

Last night I fell into bed exhausted.

I managed to read an entire chapter of this fun book before I passed out drooling on my pillow, the reading lamp still on. It felt like it was a thousand degrees in our house, the AC taking forever to finally work its magic. My middle kid was irritable and woke me from my stupor asking for another tuck in because she was too hot and couldn't turn her brain off. As I stumbled back to bed for the second time, I was sticky, and bloated, and sex was the farthest thing from my mind. Yet, when my fella returned from tucking in our almost-four-year-old son who is finally starting to spend at least half the night in his own bed, I suggested a quickie. A short and sweet little romp with the lights off because life is short, and it's harder than ever to stay connected to what matters. Like extra tuck ins. And sweaty sex before you get interrupted again by little footsteps. I blame Hannah McKinnon for this minor revelation.

Time After Time was the perfect start to my summer reading. It's playful, nostalgic, sexy and clever. As a child of the eighties, I loved all of the nods to great moments in the pop culture of my pubescent years. I loved all of the questions this book asks, all of the what ifs we torture ourselves with when life becomes too complicated with the stuff that doesn't really matter so much. There were real, sweet moments of connection between the delightful characters McKinnon has concocted and I grew attached to these characters within the first couple of chapters, feeling their failures and frustrations as sharply as I shared their victories and their steamy love scenes. I was also struck by the parallels between protagonist Haley's past relationships and my own. I too have dated the controller, the narcissist, and the really sweet guy and I've walked away from all of those to find my own version of happily ever after. Haley's an every gal who even us queer and quirky gals can relate to, which is no small feat for chick lit to serve up.

Time After Time will be an easy book to share with my own circle of gals who love a good, light read. It was the perfect balance of frivolous fun and touching poignancy that changed my life at least enough to squeak in an extra orgasm this week. Kudos to you McKinnon! I can't wait to read more of your writing.

Sharon says

HarperCollins UK, Avon and NetGalley provided me with an electronic copy of Time After Time, in exchange for an honest review.

Hayley Cooper seems to have it all, if you are on the outside, looking in. Her job as a powerful attorney keeps her away from her children and her husband. More concerned with sabotaging Hayley's career than helping to run a successful practice, her boss seems to have it out for her. One night, Hayley goes to sleep wishing that her life was different. When she awakens to the life that she dreamed of when she was younger, will Hayley be able to gain some perspective and appreciate all that she has?

Because the premise and the plot were too similar to Groundhog's Day and A Christmas Carol, I was unable to fully appreciate Time After Time. The lighthearted writing style helped in the development of the main character's personality, but did nothing to convey the seriousness that lingered under the surface. I found it hard to empathize with Hayley, although she did have my sympathy. Although there really were no surprises here, Time After Time was a fun read.

Sophie says

NetGalley copy in exchange of an honest review.

Hayley's life is a mess: her job is taking too much of her time, her boss is horrible, she never sees her kids and her marriage is falling apart.

It goes to the point where she asks herself the very famous question "What if"?

What if she had ended up with one of her exes instead of her husband? How would her life have turned out?

Well, guess what: she gets to experience this. Every day is a Saturday. Every day she wakes up in an alternate universe, facing what her life would have been if...

First of all, I absolutely love the concept for this book. We've all faced one situation where we ended up thinking "oh damn, but what if I had done something differently?" - so we can all relate to Hayley's situation.

I loved how full the characters were. They're very extreme, in my opinion, and you either love them or hate them, but I didn't feel bothered by it, on the contrary, I think it suits the story and it helps Hayley make decisions.

I also loved how the reader gets one chapter in the "what if" reality and one chapter from the real past, leading to her current situation. You get to see her true memories, and the one she would have had if she had made other choices.

Special mentions to Mark and Ellen, who are amazing friends - I loved their characters.

I think it's a quick read, very entertaining, with a layer of depth that makes you reconsider your choices.

Kaisha (The Writing Garnet) says

Such a good question; have you ever wondered ‘what if?’. Have you ever wondered what things would be like if you had taken a different path in life? Have you ever wondered what your acquaintances from the past would be like after you have moved on? Lets just pause for a second whilst you get into the ‘what if?’ mind-set....

Have you thought about it yet?

What about now?

Now?!

We’re only human, of course we are bound to wonder ‘what if?’ whenever relationships end, or we make a huge decision in life. However, we cannot wave a magic wand, or close our eyes and be back in time, to a life that never was. Well, WE can’t, but there seems to be just one person that can. Does the name ‘Hayley Cooper’ ring a bell to you? No? Well it should! (Why haven’t you read this book yet?! :o)

Hayley Cooper is in a difficult situation in her current life and it’s safe to say that she is pretty peeved with the way things are going. She wants a different life, and it gets her wondering about her ex boyfriends. Little did she know she would come face to face with them when she woke up the next morning.

That reminds me, what day is it today? Monday, or Saturday?

The cover of this book totally threw me. I had seen it multiple times over on Twitter and Amazon but hadn’t had the chance to click buy. So, when Avon publishers tweeted about it again one night, I made sure I got it there and then. Not only is it a memorable cover, it is also a very romantic looking cover, although I stupidly judged the book by its cover and wondered why I was getting confused. Only a smidge though, honestly...

Hayley is the main character of the story. She is married with children but there is something about her life that isn’t sitting right with her. Something doesn’t seem quite right and she cannot seem to put her finger on it. That is of course, until she follows all the paths of her past that she never took. Hayley seems to like the weekend in this book because she re-visits the same day multiple times! If you went back in time to visit all of the ‘what ifs’ of your past, do you think that you would be met with positivity, with everything the same as you have always dreamt about?

That is a tough one to answer. Although in Hayley’s case, it was definitely an eye opener for her (and for me, her past is fascinating!). My opinion of Hayley changed throughout the book because of how the story unfolded. One moment I felt incredibly sorry for her, another time I felt infuriated with her because she just could not see what she had which meant her decisions were otherwise jaded. Hayley’s best friend is a hoot, my sort of person with a mouth that’s always on fast forward.

Considering the amount of to-ing and fro-ing this book does, it didn’t actually get me flustered, which is surprising. Books like that usually do, but maybe because the switch was always expected, it didn’t confuse me. Whilst the book contains very funny moments, as well as some difficult situations, it made me think about my life. What if I had chosen different paths? Obviously I can’t do anything about it now, but it’s only natural to wonder.

Hannah has written such a heart warming and emotionally driven book, which was full of depth and relatable

situations. The message behind the story is a rather powerful one, however, the added softness in terms of humour and sarcasm, turns it into a light-hearted read as well.

I must say, I am looking forward to whatever Hannah has up her sleeve next. I can promise you one thing though, I won't ever be thinking 'what if' about this book because I know I took the right path by reading it!
