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Claire can't lose in the game of love. For once she's found her soulmate - a manipulative schemer just like herself. And she'll do whatever it takes to make Aaron forget Zoey for ever.

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Elaine Mullane says

Feeling nostalgic for the books of my youth, I revisited Katherine Applegate and her Islanders omnibus editions (first released as the **Making Out series** way back in 1993. Yes, I am that old...).

While I found them to be overly-dramatic and a little bit cheesy on second reading, I think they would be loved by teenagers today. YA has taken a much-welcome step in the sphere of fantasy, science fiction and Dystopia, largely, in recent years so for teenagers looking for the traditional romance novels filled with teen-angst and buried secrets, these are a good series to turn to. A little bit **Dawson's Creek** in it's setting and it's drama, The Islanders is the perfect teen soap opera.

Saadia Y says

Well the description isn't very accurate... In fact, it's very inaccurate. Zoey has already decided she wants to be with Lucas (who's decided he doesn't want her) and Claire and Aaron spent most of the book arguing before doing a complete 180 and getting together. Unfortunately I was missing the previous book so I had no idea how things stood at the beginning of this one but I got the gist after a few pages.

Claire's behaviour is very odd to me because she's usually pretty smart. ? First she gets caught sneaking out of Aaron's room, then she actually displays emotion by arguing with him at the restaurant.. Finally, she acts like a complete airhead (do people still say that or have I been reading these books for too long) when she and Aaron finally get together and ignores all the warning signs that this guy is not to be trusted. Smh

I'm glad that Lucas and Zoey worked it out in the end. It's probably a good thing that Lucas' perfect image of Zoey was shattered a little; no one can live up to those standards. We'll see how long this lasts.

P.s is this really the end of Christopher?? ?

Nicky says

This one's kind of a bummer. The bummiest thing is Nina being super down on herself. With Benjamin possibly being able to see soon she's scrutinising herself and thinks she's fat and gross. Now, we all know that Nina is just the flatter-chested, unkempt version of celebrated beauty Claire. Nina does not realise this. Zoey tells her she's a looker, but then negates that encouragement by giving Nina a make-over. OH ZOEY you make it really hard to like you, sometimes. Not Claire-hard but still quite hard. Anyway Nina needn't have worried because Benjamin's operation doesn't work (bummer #2), wap wap waaaaaaap. On the upside Zoey finally ends the thing with Aaron after remembering something Nina said about him being a sleazeball, she and Lucas get back together after a lot of angstiness.

We've also got Aisha sensibly telling Christopher she's not ready to be a teen bride. He flees the island in a fit of pique. So long, douche bag. Claire and Aaron get together. Claire becomes very sappy. There's a New Year's Eve party where Claire's dad and Aaron's mom get engaged. Awkward. Lara gets thrown out of the Passmore house for being a drunk.

Fave Moments:

- Claire and Zoey bonding at Passmore's restaurant when Claire subs for Lara's drunk ass.
- Zoey ends things with puffy-lipped slime Aaron by threatening to have Lucas, Jake and Christopher beat him up. He's the worst but he makes me think of this sketch:

So I smile, but then I remember he's this guy:

Bleurgh.

- Christopher, Jake and Lucas hang out a whole bunch in this instalment, which is cool because these books are in real danger of not passing the reverse-Bechdel test. Ha, j/k, I don't care. Especially about Christopher.
 - ““Nah, I've pretty much got everything under control.” [Claire] smiled as if she had just made a private joke with herself.
- Zoey rolled her eyes at Aisha.”

Errata:

- Throughout the book Claire refers back a lot to a letter she'd found and read in Aaron's room. This was back in book 10, it was a letter from Kate, who shows up later in the series. HOWEVER, whenever Claire thinks of the letter, it says the letter was from Julia. DUH, HER NAME IS KATE AND SHE WEARS SMELLY LOTION TO SEDUCE BENJAMIN LATER IN THE SERIES.
- So I don't know if I've mentioned this but at the beginning of the series Jake had a little sister named Holly. Now he doesn't. Think about it.

Isa says

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Claire Sayan says

I read these as a teenager, I don't remember there being so many!

Vanessa says

Read these as a kid, me and my sisters loved them -Vanessa

Lizzie says

Just what I needed. A great escape from reality.

Nadine says

diese Buchreihe hat mich während meiner Teeniezeit begleitet. ich habe sie so geliebt...
