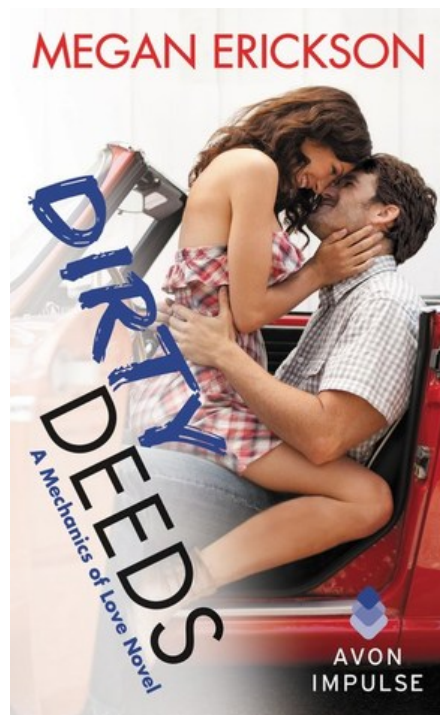




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Maria Rose says

In this third story in the Mechanics of Love series, Alex has finally found a place where she feels safe. With her sister Ivy and niece Violet, they've carved a home for themselves in Tory, and she's got a job she loves as a mechanic with Payton and Sons. Here she can be herself, not a timid woman on the run. If this means an overindulgence in bright lipsticks and clothes to knock a man's socks off (when not in her overalls), so be it. Meeting Spencer, a sexy Brit who shows up at the garage one evening is exactly what Alex needs to get back on the lust merry-go-round. After all, it's just one night of 'hot and heavy' and then he'll be on his way and out of her life, giving her the self confidence boost in the sack she sorely needs. But Spencer doesn't stay gone, and when he's back in town again following up with his company's plans to find a good spot for their latest hotel, they settle into a steamy affair. Trouble is, he's not been on the up and up with her about everything his company is planning. Now that she's finally found her home, complete with a job she loves and a supportive family, is she going to be forced to choose between them and a man who could be her future?

What a fun and sexy story! Having been introduced to Alex in the first story in the series (Dirty Thoughts) I was excited to see who she would end up with, and this match works out perfectly! From their first meeting, the sparks are flying between them and both Spencer and Alex are clear that it's one night to scratch the itch they've got for each other, and easy to leave it at that. Neither expects Spencer to end up back in town again, and when he does, they can't keep their hands off each other. Spencer comes across as a mostly conservative Brit, definitely well off, and with a bit of a chip on his shoulder. He's the opposite of Alex in temperament and background – well, at least he's tried to overcome his working class upbringing. He's remade himself into a wealthy man of business. But he's got a gentle and fun side too, and when they're not having sex, the things they share deepen their feelings for each other pretty quickly. Alex is finally feeling like she's regaining her sense of self, with her semi-adopted Payton family, a job she loves, and a safe place for her and her sister. Having been in an emotionally abusive relationship, and on the run, Tory is now her home. And she's going to protect that home come hell or high water. It was great to see her change from the first time we were introduced to her as a character in Dirty Thoughts to the woman she is now. This doesn't mean that she's not without her faults, or that she doesn't hide behind a bold face when necessary, but she's definitely coming into her own. I really like how the author is able to take characters and make them multidimensional, with layers revealed as the story is told. And as always, I'm delighted when a story is told from both points of view so we get the male and female perspective on the romance.

The Payton family plays an important role (particularly since Alex's sister Ivy is with Brent Payton, a relationship that was delightfully told in book 2 of the series, Dirty Talk). The camaraderie of the family and their acceptance and protection of Alex and Ivy make for lots of fun scenes and serious ones too. Caring friends and the small town atmosphere give the story a heartwarming touch. Combine that with a super sexy romance (Alex and Spencer have no qualms about showing each other who's boss in the bedroom!) with strong and personable main characters, and you get a wonderful story that is definitely in my top reads of 2015! 5 stars. P.S. Loved the nicknames they had for each other!

"Sprite," he said in that deep, accented voice.

"What?" she whispered.

He didn't say anything for a minute, and his hands on her wrists loosened, but he didn't let go.

"Why are you so angry?"

Oh, she couldn't even count all the ways. "For starters. You're here. When I never thought you would be again."

Another long pause. “Is that what this is about? You’re mad I came back? And that you thought I’d...what? Be embarrassed by you?” Alex swallowed and stared at the wall in front of her. Spencer kept talking. “Don’t assume you know everything about me. I certainly wasn’t *slumming it* when we spent the evening together.” His thumbs moved in a circular pattern on the inside of her wrists and she stifled a groan. He must have heard it, because he pressed in closer, and now his lips were at her ear, his voice low. “I haven’t been able to stop thinking about that night. You above me, your hair and those lips and that body....” His voice trailed off. She couldn’t stop herself from asking. “My lips?” He let go of a wrist and brought his hand up to her face, tilting it to the side. Then he brushed a thumb over her mouth. “These red lips. With your hair and your eyes. Fucking gorgeous.”

Note: this story was provided by the publisher via Edelweiss for review.

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Mandi Schreiner says

Favorite Quote: “I was about to take off my dress.”

Spencer nearly swerved off the road. “In the car?”

“You said a bunch of amazing things that made me want to get naked, okay? Quit being nice and stuff and I’ll keep my clothes on.”

What a fun, sexy story. Book three in the Mechanics of Love series (they can all be read as stand alones) I’ve enjoyed the heck out of all of them. For those that have read the first two books, we’ve been waiting to see who Megan Erickson had planned for the tough, female mechanic. Alex moved to Tory, Maryland with her sister and young niece, after getting out of an abusive relationship. Alex never imagined she would be with a man who could verbally and emotionally abuse her – but she ended up with him, and fortunately, with help from her sister, left him for good. She still has emotional scars, but she is happy now. She is a very skilled car mechanic and found a great shop to work in. Owned by the Payton brothers, Cal and Brent have already had their HEA, and now it’s Alex’s turn – and that comes in the form of a British businessman.

Spencer is a location scout for Royalty Suites, a hotel chain. Growing up poor in London, he moves to New York city for college and stays for his career. He likes fancy things and tries to live a life above the life where he grew up. When he has car trouble scouting a location for a hotel in Tory, he drives his car into Alex’s shop. Alex is just leaving for the night, and tells this posh businessman he’ll have to wait for tomorrow. She can’t believe she is attracted to this fancy man. He can’t believe this gorgeous, red lip-stick wearing woman is making him hard. He offers to get her dinner, on a whim she goes, and hello hot and sexy one-night stand.

Spencer leaves and goes back to New York, but a few weeks later he’s back for work. Alex’s emotions are all over the place – she can’t believe how into him she is, but her past abuse issues raise their ugly head.

I loved the entire way this story unfolds. Alex has this tough demeanor she wears – she is able to banter and keep up with Cal and Brent’s constant badgering just fine – but deep down she has a soft heart and her abusive relationship really took a lot out of her. She loves her niece and sister deeply – and when she shows

up to Sunday cookouts at her friend's house, she loves the sense of family. But when romance is put in front of her, she has a hard time accepting it. Her and Spencer are great with the sexual physical relationship – but it takes some time to work out the emotions. Megan Erickson gives them that time. They get to know each other, they try their hand at plain old dating, they break porch rails dry humping like teenagers. It made me laugh and swoon.

Spencer wants Alex, badly. But he also realizes he lives in New York and is not sure how much commitment he can actually give her. He is all polished sexiness in the daylight, and a dirty boy in the moonlight. I enjoyed him quite a bit.

I also love the dynamics between the Payton brothers and Alex and all of their friends and significant others. A very funny, warm bunch.

A well done contemporary romance series.

Grade: B+

Megan Erickson says

I fell in love with Alex when she first showed up in Cal's office at Payton auto. And now she finally gets her HEA, with an uptight Brit who never saw it coming. I hope you like their story. :)

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Ally says

Vacation review. Solid. Fun story. Awesome heroine finding her own self and great hero who let's her do her thing. No wimps here.

Danielle (Love at First Page) says

4-4.5 stars

It's no secret that I love Megan Erickson's writing, and I love her adult romances pretty much equally, but *Dirty Deeds...* this may be the the first of hers that made me laugh *and* cry. A new favorite? I think so! She had me at *British hero* anyway - and said hero is so, so wonderful - but this book came to mean so much more to me. Though I've never been in an abusive relationship, I identified so much with Alex and her struggles. Tough, fierce, and brave she may be, but doubts of self-worth still creep in and she still has moments of insecurities. It was a beautiful thing, watching her reclaim that piece of herself that she feared Robbie had stolen forever. I feel like this book isn't just a love story, but a love letter to every woman out there who doesn't know the worth of their inner beauty. It's true what a character in the book tells Alex - loving yourself is the most important love of all. I have chills just thinking about it.

And who was worthy of Alex's love? It had to be someone special, someone who would treat Alex with respect and care, someone who would fit her so perfectly. She certainly never would have picked Spencer, a posh businessman from London by way of New York. His clean cut look and refined demeanor seems to clash with her jeans and t-shirt and her job as a mechanic. But they're more alike than outside appearances would ever suggest, and I loved watching the way they opened up for each other. Alex was like a ball of fire in his presence, taking what she wanted because he asked and because she deserved it. Spencer would never be a man to snuff that light out; he let it burn and he hoped to only bask in its afterglow. He was so kind to her, a good man, and this made the "dirty deeds" they shared all the hotter. As usual with Megan's books, Spencer and Alex's chemistry was electric. I was swooning during every scene they shared. There are a couple of heartbreaking moments - and I didn't like that their separation phase lasted as long as it did, 6 months - but mostly I was in a state of happy. This is in large part due to the family dynamics as well. Seeing the whole Peyton gang together and in support of Alex made my heart so full. And I love that Spencer was able to find this again for himself and reconnect with his own father.

I'm not sure if *Dirty Deeds* is the last we'll see of this gang, but I'm ready to resort to begging if we can get a Delilah and Davis story. I have adored this series to pieces and will always consider it a favorite!

This review can also be found at Love at First Page.

Lacey (Booklovers For Life) says

Originally posted at Booklovers For Life

Megan Erickson knows how to write contemporary romance! The Mechanics of Love series is the first I've read by her, and it won't be the last. I've enjoyed each one of the books in the series immensely – Dirty Talk is still my favorite, but Dirty Deeds, the third and latest book, is one that definitely lived up to my expectations. It's a book full of heart and humor, with touching characters that can't help but endear themselves to your heart.

I'd been so excited about Alex's story since Dirty Talk – as a female mechanic who's sworn off men, she's a memorable character. Her last relationship almost ruined her family, so when she and her sister and niece got away from her abusive ex, she was determined not to let any man in. She gives off this tough, sassy, badass persona, but deep down, she's also a woman who gives her whole heart to those she loves. She may have given her heart to someone who abused it in the past, but ever since she's met the Paytons, she's opened up once again. But the one who really breaks down her walls is a one-night-stand she never expects to see again.

Spencer's eyes were wild as he took her in. "I'm the luckiest man in the world to be here right now."

Her heart ached, because they would be only this, a screw in a bed, a fuck against a wall.

Quick, dirty deeds that would never have a future. Oh well, she'd make the most of it.

Though the past two books in the series have been about some HOT mechanics, I have to say that this one British businessman was definitely able to keep up with the previous heroes. Spencer was only supposed to be Tory for a little while for his job, so his one night – the hottest night of his life – with Alex was only supposed to be just that. But when his job forces him to go back to Tory and see Alex again and again,

Spencer can't help wanting her more and more... except that his stay in Tory is once again only temporary.

“...you love to love, Alex. And you love to be loved. And you deserve it. You deserve it all.”

I adored Alex and Spencer together. The two of them are the kind of characters who have walls around their hearts, and I loved seeing the two of them break down their walls and let in love. They make such a great couple, and the chemistry between this is seriously hot. If you're a fan of the series, you definitely don't want to miss Dirty Deeds.

I'm desperately hoping there will be more in this series, especially a book about Davis or Delilah (or the both of them together). I seriously can't get enough of all of these characters! And the Paytons, I just love them all so much, especially Brent. All of their interactions with each other leave me with a smile on my face. If you love your romances with the perfect balance of humor and sweet, touching moments, then you definitely need to get your hands on this series!

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Brooke (The Cover Contessa) says

I want to thank Avon for providing me with a copy of this book to read and give an honest review. Receiving this book for free has in no way altered my opinion or review.

I am a huge fan of Megan Erickson. I will read anything she writes. I've enjoyed each and every book she's put out so far. I especially have been in love with this particular series. There's just something so raw and intense about it that draws me right in. So given the chance to read this book for a blog tour, I jumped at it. And I was in now way disappointed. As a matter of fact, this turned out to be my favorite in the series so far.

We met Alex in the second book of the Mechanics of Love series. She was introduced as a tough as nails mechanic who would go to any length to protect herself and her family. So it's no shocker that she continues to be that same sassy, no bones girl we met in Dirty Thoughts. Of course Alex has her past that haunts her. A past that causes her to be a bit distrusting of people, especially men. She lets very few people get close to her.

Enter Spencer. He's an English business man who happens to need a mechanic while traveling for his job. What he doesn't expect when walking into Payton and Sons is to find a woman who knows just how to handle a car, and herself He's instantly drawn to her. But Spencer has a past he hies as much as Alex. One where he was a different person. One he's been trying to make sure stays buried as he pushes his way up the corporate ladder. And, like Alex, Spencer isn't looking for anything complicated, so given the chance to be casual with Alex, he takes it.

The two share one hot night together, agreeing to be done with just that. But neither can seem to get the other off their mind. Alex has quit men and doesn't want the feelings attached to what they can bring out in her, but she can't seem to shake Spencer from her blood. And Spencer wants his job, but Alex has gotten under his skin. There's no denying the chemistry between these two. And while I'm not usually a fan of instal-love, that's not really what you get here. You get a slow burn on the feelings end, but a hot run on attraction side!

Of course there's some stuff that might just tear them apart. Spencer hasn't been totally honest with Alex about what his company intends to do in Tory, MD. He lets his job blind him to the fact that Alex is just what he needs.

I love the cast of supporting characters in these books. They form an incredible family who support each other and watch out for each other.

The best part of watching this cast of characters and their stories lines is seeing how much Erickson has grown as a writer. I really enjoyed her Bowler series, so when she said spin-off I said YES! And with each book she wrote, her story telling grew stronger and stronger. There is no doubt I will keep coming back to Megan's stories in the future.

If you're a fan of contemporary romance with a bit of angst topped off with a sexy female mechanics and a swoon worthy Brit, you'll not be disappointed in this book. It can certainly be read as a stand alone, since the cast of characters is explained well enough. But that shouldn't stop you from wanting to go and see what the other couples have to offer!

Christy LoveOfBooks says

4.5

Who else has AC/DC running through their head now? *Dirty deeds, done dirt cheap ...*

Ahem, anyway.

Okay, I've professed my love for the previous two books in the *Mechanics of Love* series, and I expected it to peak with **Dirty Talk** since I was all about Brent. I mean, I've loved Alex since she stepped on the scene in the first book, but no way was I expecting **Dirty Deeds** to be my favorite of the three. I honestly thought I'd like this one the least. Bravo, Megan Erickson, for making me the fool. A very pleased, and happy fool.

Like I said, I loved Alex from the beginning, but being in her head and getting to see a whole other side of her kind of knocked me on my ass. She's a rough around the edges, sassy mechanic, which is pretty hot. However, she still loves to be loved, and the woman is wicked sexy! Plus, she references **A Clockwork Orange**, so she's a total keeper. And don't let Spencer's posh British exterior fool you, there's a whole other side to him too. I'll just say they have a lot in common.

Seriously, the author matched these two perfectly! Again, I got something different than what I expected, and it made me so damn happy. Spencer was so good for her and exactly what she needed after that crap she had been through. It was sexy as hell the way he'd let her dictate what would happen, because it was definitely something she needed. I'd say this was the steamiest of the series, but it's done so incredibly well.

Something that I truly appreciate about these two is even though they'd hit a bump or have some kind of

argument, they would calm down and talk about it, putting things in perspective. They were *adult* about it. Even better, there were a lot of great times between them with fun banter, and the playfulness and teasing induced many smiles.

“In case you haven’t noticed, I like to be difficult.”

He grinned at that. “Yes, well, call me a masochist, but that’s what I like so much about you.”

Ahh, and these Payton boys ... yeah, I’d definitely want them to have my back. I love how close and supportive their family is, even the gruffest patriarch. Not only family either, friendships are a big factor too, and I loved that the girls had plenty of quality time together! Really though, friends are pretty much family with this group.

I just adored the hell out of **Dirty Deeds**. It’s a fairly quick read, but it’s without a doubt a strong ending to a *fantastic* series.

Alyssa says

Review posted on The Eater of Books! blog

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What I Liked:

I was slightly nervous about this book before starting it - I LOVED Dirty Thoughts, but didn’t quite love

Dirty Talk as much as I'd hoped. It was still good (a three-star read), but I worried that Dirty Deeds would follow the decline. Thankfully, it didn't really slump, and I enjoyed Spencer and Alex's story (for the most part)!

Spencer is in Tory, Maryland, doing his job - investigating the town to see if Royalty Suites should build a hotel there. He enjoys his job, his position, and his money. But when he meets Alex Dawn in Tory, he begins to think that maybe she was missing in his life. Alex is moving on from past life with her ex-boyfriend, and she knows better than to form attachments. But there is something about L.M. Spencer that she can't shake - if fact, he's all she can see. But he'll be leaving for New York and never coming back, and neither of them are willing to give up their current lives. Or will they?

Spencer is the new character in this series - he wasn't in Dirty Thoughts or Dirty Talk. He's a tall, broad, handsome, posh British guy with a wicked accent that even little Violet is obsessed with. Spencer is very refined and polished... and yet he's as dirty-talking and alpha as they come. Alex totally misjudges him, and she's surprised by the instant and unwavering chemistry between them. But what's more, Spencer is a thoughtful and sweet guy. He apologizes when he's wrong, he wants things to be clear, he likes to talk things out. Such a perfect guy, right?

Alex, on the other hand, doesn't like talking about feelings or anything deep. She doesn't want to get emotionally entangled with Spencer (but she does, her bad). Alex is a difficult girl with a sad past, and it's Spencer who indirectly lifts her to her feet, and she finds her way in this book. I love how tough Alex is, but I also love that she lets her walls down. For Spencer.

I love how Alex and Spencer's relationship unfolds; you'd think it'd be difficult to pull off, with Spencer in town for days at a time. He comes, leaves for New York, comes back, stays for a little longer than the first time. They agree to enjoy time together while he's in Tory, nothing more. But along the way, they both fall for each other.

The chemistry between these two was pretty hot! Somehow, this book didn't seem as hot as Erickson's other books that I've read, and I expected more. But there were several hot scenes in the book (though, unfortunately, nothing memorable). Alex and Spencer are definitely a great pair together, both physically and emotionally.

Overall, I enjoyed this book. It's not my favorite of the series, and there isn't much that makes it stick out to me. It seems a bit lackluster compared to Dirty Thoughts, but maybe it's just that I LOVED Dirty Thoughts so much.

What I Did Not Like:

This is a general thing, but it's SO cliche that a romance novel has to have a breakup as part of the climax. It's so typical, and so annoying. Spencer and Alex's breakup is something I saw coming, as well as the reason. I hate how the guy is always the one that has to grovel and beg and throw himself at her feet. I think Alex could have done something too! I get that it seems like it's usually "the guy's fault". But in this case, Alex was being a bit unfair.

And, like I've been saying, there wasn't a lot of memorable scenes or things going for this book. Sure, Spencer is a hot Brit. But the sex scenes weren't memorable (they were okay, pretty hot, but nothing special). Alex + Spencer weren't particularly special. Sure, I liked them, but their relationship wasn't powerful and beautiful or cute and adorable, or amazing and, well, memorable. The whole plot of this book is sooooo cliche (girl with tortured past, guy with rough past - are we back to this?) - right down to the super cliche climax. And ending. Agghhhh.

Don't get me wrong. I loved that Spencer and Alex got a great ending, and I loved seeing them get together. But there was nothing that made this book special. Like, I would never reread this one (whereas I've reread Dirty Thoughts at least a few times already).

Would I Recommend It:

I'd recommend this book if you're a huge Megan Erickson fan (like myself), or if you love this series. If you're new to the series, I recommend Dirty Thoughts, but maybe stop there. Grumpy Cal is literally the BEST male protagonist of this series. Not to say that Brent and Spencer aren't - and not to say that Dirty Talk and Dirty Deeds weren't great. They just weren't... amazing. Or wonderful. Or special. Quit while you're ahead!

Rating:

3 stars. I liked this book, but I doubt I'll ever reread it. It's not one I'd go on the streets recommending, either. I wish I loved it, but it wasn't anything special. My biggest problem was that it's just another cliché romance novel, with a hot British guy to make it slightly different. Unfortunately, that's not quite good enough for me! But that's *me*.

Arianna♦*SteamyReadsBlog*♦ says

3.75 Stars!!

“*Dirty Deeds*” is the third installment in Megan Erickson’s series entitled “*Mechanics of Love*” and like its predecessors it can be read as a standalone. This third book features Alex, the sexy mechanic, character we previously met in book2, “*Dirty Talk*”. Like the other two books in the series, this one was a sweet, fun and sexy contemporary romance with two endearing main characters, a bunch of entertaining supportive characters and a great storyline.

Alex moved to Tory, Maryland with her sister and young niece to escape her past, to escape the man who abused her for a long time verbally and emotionally. She works as mechanic for the Paytons, a bunch of caring men who makes her feel wanted and safe. She’s a little scarred and while she’s better now and happy with her life in this small town, she still has some self-esteem issues, believing she will be forever alone, especially now since her sister found Brent, a good, caring man.

“Posh wasn’t rough. He was smooth and slightly untouchable with his pressed suit and shiny shoes and silver watch that probably cost more than her truck. But he was looking at her like he’d pawn his watch in a second to get into her pants. Well, he wasn’t going to have to pawn anything, because she wanted him just as much as he wanted her.”

Spencer is British, lives in New York and he’s in town to find a good location for Royalty Suits, the company he works for. All he wants is to leave Tory as soon as possible, not because he doesn’t like the

small town, but because it reminds him too much of where he comes from. When his car breaks down and he shows up in Alex's shop he's taken aback by how attracted he is with the sexy, sassy mechanic who seems so different from any women he'd ever met. The attraction is mutual even if Alex can't believe she's so drawn to this tall, dark and handsome posh Brit. They agree to spend one hot, passionate night together, no strings attached since Spencer will be leaving in two days for New York not planning on coming anytime soon. But fate has other plans because a week later Spencer has to come back to Tori.

Honestly, this one was pretty predictable, but despite that I really enjoyed it. Like I mentioned, it was a great mix of sweetness and sexiness. Alex, our heroine was my fav heroine of this series. She's a little damaged, but she was strong, loyal, vibrant, confident heroine and I liked how determined she was to be someone else, someone who's better than 'old Alex'. I really liked her bond with her sister and also with her young niece. She's hard-working and she excels at her job. I have to say I really enjoyed the dynamic between her and the Paytons. They were fun and entertaining together and I liked how they communicated with each other.

Spencer was pretty perfect. Handsome, charming, sweet, caring, protective, thoughtful – yep, he really was a great character to read about. I think what I loved the most about him was how he treated Alex – with respect, care and so much tenderness. Not only he cares about her, but he sees her, the real Alex, making her realize that she's worth it, that she deserve love and she deserves to be cherished like any other woman.

I liked how gradually Alex let her walls down, how Spencer pushed her to open up and how the relationship between them progressed. They were sweet and fun together and I enjoyed seeing them falling for each other. They were good for each other in every way. Their chemistry was pretty hot from the beginning and the sexy scenes were either sexy or sweet and I enjoyed them all.

Overall, a fantastic read and great addition to the series!

Jaime Arkin says

Are you a fan of contemporary romance? Is Megan Erickson on your radar? She should be. I'm finding that I'm become a bigger fan with each and every book that I read of hers. This series revolves around a small town and a certain auto shop. The shop is run by The Payton's and let's just say I wish these guys were the local mechanics in my neighborhood.

While I enjoyed all three of these stories, the final book, Dirty Deeds, has to be my favorite. Erickson's storytelling and writing has only gotten better with each story and it really shows in book 3. Each book has a story that you'll find yourself turning pages just to learn more

The stories here are a balance of serious issues with some fun, light characters who really jump off the page. While I love all the guys, Brent is probably my favorite because he's the fun loving protective guy and I just loved his characters so much... that's not to say I didn't enjoy Cal or Spencer ... I mean Spencer *sigh*. But Brent is the kind of guy that I love, the joker who no one takes seriously but they absolutely should.

Erickson's ladies are just as captivating as the guys. They are strong and smart and ready to fight for the things they want... that said, I have to admit that I have mad love for Alex. I loved getting to know her in book 2 but she really shines in her story. I love her inner strength and the way she handles herself and

ultimately her confidence in who she is and not apologizing for it.

If you're looking for a sexy contemporary romance with stories that are both emotional yet fun and you're going to want to put this series on your To Read list.

Ami says

[It pains me to put the rating for a Megan Erickson's book -- considering that she has been one of my favorite authors for the past two years, as she moves smoothly between MF and MM romance. But **Dirty Deeds** is definitely my least favorite of Erickson's book so far. Even if her writing is the only thing that saves this book from being a DNF.

The biggest issue is that there is nothing inspiring about Alex and Spencer. To quote a review here in Goodreads, it all feels very cliché. It

nick says

OMG! MEGANPLEASELETMEHAVEYOURBOOKBOYSBABIES. Can I leave my review for *Dirty Deeds* like this? No? Too weird? Well, by now you should all probably know that **Megan Erickson is my FAVORITE romance author** and her books and the boys (ESPECIALLY THE BOYS) **turn me into a complete swooning weirdo**. I swear, her romances make me so light-headed and giddy with happiness!

I THINK I look like this when reading her books ...

But really I just look like this.

Having loved the first two books, I was really looking forward to reading *Dirty Deeds*. We met this completely shattered character, Alex in the previous novel, *Dirty Talk*. **My heart broke for her** and I wanted her to be happy more than anything. It's wasn't at all pretty and when I went into *Dirty Deeds*, I was a **teensy bit worried that this would be one of those cases where the heroine is magically cured by love**, but I just need to stop doubting Megan Erickson because **all her books have had characters that were fiercely feminist and that defeated their obstacles on their own**. In *Dirty Deeds*, we see Alex really grow as a protagonist. I was so damn **proud of the girl** for being able to overcome her fears and turning into this **bold, beautiful and brilliant woman**, that you just want to root for.

Can also just say how awesome I think it is that despite being a mechanic, Alex was not at all a tom-boy (as you would have expected)? She was **in touch with her femininity and complete embraced it** with her cute dresses and bold red lipstick. Honestly, Alex was **absolutely empowering** as a character and I adore Megan Erickson for writing this **fiesty, sassy and sexually confident woman**. Basically, **I WANT to be Alex** (and not just because of the Hot Brit she snags!).

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Speaking of Hot Brits ... HOLY WOWZAH (See first sentence for reference)!! **Spencer was just so perfect for Alex!** I loved the man from very early on. He was one of those driven men who rose up from nothing and chased after their dreams. He was this **tough, rugged businessman**, but **what made him appealing beyond words as a character was his gentleness towards Alex**. He was flawed and made some dumb, but honest mistakes in the book, but every time he redeemed himself spectacularly.

Together Alex and Spencer were smoking! I actually think *Dirty Deeds*' title is very apt because this was probably **the sexiest book in the series!** Besides the undeniable chemistry they shared, I loved how they were a couple that **shared so much about themselves** with each other and grew in the process. They were supportive, fiercely loyal and **made the romantic in me sigh with happiness in the process**. Megan Erickson's books are **all about love** and she does it so well. I also loved being back together with the rest of the cast (ESPECIALLY CAL!). They are truly an amazing family and I love how strongly they care about each other.

Yet again, **Megan Erickson did not disappoint with this final installment** (I still **DEMAND** a Delilah and Davis novel, Megan. MAKE IT HAPPEN!). **If you're a lover of all things romance, I can't recommend this series and anything this author writes enough.** The book is currently \$1.99 on e-readers so you really have no excuse! All of her books have been such an emotional ride and *Dirty Deeds* was certainly no different.

Megan Erickson is one of the only authors who makes me want to throw all my money at her books. I don't even care if I'm broke.

Jessica Alcazar says

#FuckingFeelingsy ...

sigh I'm not sure this will make sense, but I wish Alex's story was *bigger* but yet it was also perfect the way it was ...*Megan Erickson* has proven time and time again that she can write the heck out of a story and *Dirty Deeds* was no different.

The story was phenomenally good in its simplicity. At the heart of Alex and Spencer's journey are some serious baggage obstacles they managed to hurdle without tearing the reader up from the inside out. That takes some serious talent kids. Don't get me wrong, I had my tissue moments, but they didn't *hurt* ... and they could have, but they didn't and it was **beautiful** :)

I hope we haven't seen the last of these guys

1-Click Addict Support Group says

Oh, you guys.

YOU GUYS.

I was a tiny bit skeptical that Megan Erickson was going to be able to make this sexy mechanic thing live up to the near perfection that was Brent Payton. But this—this story—is so, so good. I mean there I was, not

even halfway through the book, sniffing and trying to keep my tears out of the macaroni and cheese I was making for my kids, because all my feelings were running down my face. It was unexpectedly emotional, and just...*so good!*

Alex Dawn has built a nearly impenetrable fence around her heart. She's a little bit broken and hell bent on keeping anyone from shattering the pieces of her heart she's managed to salvage from her past. She's settled into her life as a mechanic with the Payton family business and is perfectly content to spend her evenings alone—factoring in a one night stand here and there.

When L.M. Spencer rolls in to the shop needing a car repair, he immediately raises Alex's hackles. When her offer of a ride home turns into dinner—and dinner turns into *more*—Alex finds herself working hard to keep her walls in place, while Spencer wants nothing more than to obliterate them completely. He's enchanted by Alex, drawn to her light and hooked by her fierce attitude and sassy mouth.

The relationship these two form is beautiful. It's not without bumps in the road (some pretty big ones), but at its core it's tender and healing, and sometimes, unbearably sweet. Spencer regards Alex as a precious thing and Alex comes completely alive with him. It's sexy (GOD. SO. SEXY.) and sweet and just a little bit heartbreaking. I loved both of these beautiful people—Alex for being so honest and brave, Spencer for being so tender and kind. Nice guys aren't boring, and they don't have to be alpha in order to be sexy. Spencer is irrefutable proof of that.

This book works as a standalone (if you're new to the series), but they're all so good, and half of what makes it so perfect for me are the updates we get on the Payton brothers. They're like family by now, and their relationships with each other (and with the women they love) are a huge part of the charm of these books. It's safe to say that this book only fueled my love for Brent (who remains my favorite Payton brother because, good God, that man is fabulous). I love the way the Paytons brought Alex into their fold—the family moments are heartwarming and sweet. The perfect secondary storyline filled with laughter and sentiment that made my heart all ooey gooey.

My words are doing nothing to capture how much I loved this book. My heart ached for Alex, that dull, achy, throbby feeling when things get so emotional it becomes nearly impossible to keep yourself in check. It was all so beautifully written, the love story so tender and redemptive. It felt *good* to read it. I smiled so hard and my heart filled to bursting. Sexy, funny and emotional—it's like the Megan Erickson bankable trifecta—*Dirty Deeds* does not disappoint! ~ Shelly, 5 stars

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Dear God, I'm starting to wonder if it's impossible for Megan Erickson to write a bad book. I've yet to read one from her that hasn't sung to my heart, pulsed between my legs, and made my face practically crack from smiling so hard. *Dirty Deeds*, the latest in the *Mechanics of Love* series, is another wonderful example of why this author is a go-to for me. Whether I'm feeling down, in need a pick-me-up, or just want to have a good time, I know I can count on her to provide it.

Alex Dawn has a bad, bad history with men. So much so, she's swearing off them for anything more than one night of passion. Which is what she expects when L.M. Spencer rolls his luxury car into her place of business late one evening.

Only, after bickering and bantering, and a memorable meal, they end up finding their connection goes beyond one night. Especially when he returns to Tory for work. And especially when that work could threaten everything that means *something* to Alex.

Oh, this book is delightful. Emotional in a way I didn't expect (but should have), sexy in a way that's

inexplicable (but completely wonderful) and funny in a way that ensured I couldn't put it down (not that I wanted to).

Alex is...broken. And it's heartbreaking. Her doubts, her concerns, are valid, given her past, and yet, I wanted so desperately for her to let Spencer in, to let him heal her. That she tried to avoid a connection with him was both telling and frustrating, and enough to make me want to find her ex and give him a little what-for myself. But there again, she's also so tough. She has some fire in her, and that made me love her as much as I ached for her.

Spencer is...charm personified. He's not growly, gruff, surly or otherwise closed off like Cal. He's not ridiculous with hidden, dirty talkin' depths like Brent. He's just so good. So kind and caring. And it's on the surface—I felt like Spencer comes at Alex with no real deceit (well...aside from his roots, maybeeee). He is an open and honest person when he's not having a bad day, and he's drawn to her sass and fire, because that's what he needs to balance his more gentle, but workaholic, nurture.

This family (because, yes, they *are* a family, whether related by blood or not) is...perfection. I adore this series, and all of these people. Especially Brent. And Cal. And Max (we need more Max, I think. I miss him). Also, Jack. And Megan Erickson. Yeah, yeah, I know she's not a character, but she's the reason they all exist, and she keeps giving me amazing books to read, so it's all good. Just like this book. ~ Beth, 5 stars

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I couldn't wait for this book! I was so excited to get Alex's happy and Ms. Erickson did not disappoint! Only Alex could fall for a posh British boy!

Dirty Deeds is the third installment in the *Mechanics of Love* Series and I loved it! I think it was the dirtiest by far!

“I want you to lay on your back in this bed. I want to take off your pants. I want to suck your cock until you're...begging. And then I want to climb on top and ride you.”

We met Alex in the first two books, getting more of her story in the second book, *Dirty Talk*. She had a ridiculously abusive ex-boyfriend and finding it hard to live again, yet alone love. But one night with a sexy British dude started her on a much needed journey.

“It's been only one night, but that one night had thoroughly messed with her head.”

Spencer was more similar to Alex than he wanted to admit; hiding who he really was and where he was from. Together, the two were able to help each other live again.

I loved this story! To watch such a strong woman embrace and love herself again, all from the help of a man who wasn't quite sure who he was himself, was amazing. They couldn't have been more perfect for each other and their chemistry was electric! I adored how much we got to see of all the other Paytons and their significant others and certainly hope there is a story for Delilah and Davis coming soon! ~ Tiffany, 5 stars