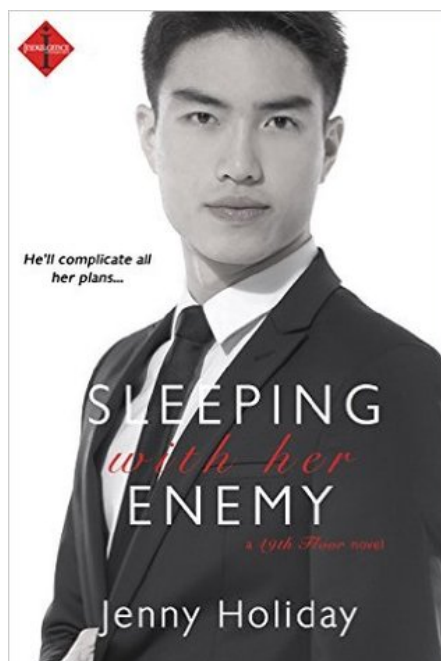




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He'll complicate all her plans...

Amy Morrison is supposed to be at her wedding. But when her husband-to-be jilts her at the altar, a distraught Amy runs to the only place she feels safe—her office. Besides, everyone who works on her floor is at her wedding...except *him*. Dax Harris. Playboy, executive, and Amy's official office enemy.

While he and Amy don't see eye-to-eye on the best of days, Dax can't help but feel badly when he sees Amy mid-meltdown. Next thing he knows, he's gotten her good and drunk, and they're making out like two teenagers. And since neither of them want anything serious, why shouldn't they be frenemies-with-benefits? Because there is no possible way they could *ever* fall for each other...

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From Reader Review Sleeping with Her Enemy for online ebook

FV Angela says

Review originally posted at <http://fictionvixen.com/review-sleepi...>

You guys!! I love this author! Sleeping with Her Enemy is the second book in Jenny Holiday's 49th Floor series. It's also her second published book ever. I talked about how much I enjoyed book one in this series, Saving the CEO, in a WTRW post a couple of weeks ago and how much it sucked that she didn't have a backlist to dive into. So I was pretty stoked to have this baby hit my Kindle this week. I might have even liked it better than book one. Maybe. It's a toss-up.

Our hero and heroine were both introduced in the previous book, Dax Harris is the playboy CEO of a neighboring company on the 49th floor where Amy Morrison, a smart, successful business executive, works. They aren't friends. To Dax Amy is an uptight, little miss perfect who needs to lighten up a bit and Amy is convinced that Dax is nothing but a good-looking jerk. When Amy's fiancé calls off their wedding mere hours before the event is to take place she goes to the one place where she feels safe and secure, work. Unfortunately, Dax, the only man in the building she didn't invite to the wedding, is also there. They've always been enemies, but when he sees her breaking down in the quiet of her office he can't help but offer her comfort and try to cheer her up.

This romance is slow-building, Dax and Amy become friends first, despite some nicely written sexual tension, moving on to lovers when the time is right and eventually even more. Amy has spent the last seven years of her life with tunnel vision, she always thought she knew exactly what she wanted out of life, until her "perfect" fiancé tells her he doesn't love her anymore and she begins to question what exactly it is she is looking for. I loved Ms. Holiday's descriptions of Amy rediscovering herself, the sights and sounds that suddenly look and feel different. She decides to find herself a lover and is even persuaded to join Tinder. :) Dax is just the kind of man who a woman on the edge needs when she all of a sudden finds herself single and maybe just a tad bit lost. He is gentle and sweet and very understanding. I loved that all the preconceived notions these two had about each other slowly fall by the wayside as they spend more time together and become friends. Turns out these frenemies are exactly perfect for each other.

I pretty much enjoyed everything about this romance. It has a perfect mix of angst and humor, seriousness and sexy times. The romance builds at a nice pace and there is no insta-love. Dax and Amy are both interesting and fully fleshed out. If you're looking for a fun read that you can gobble up in one sitting then this one is for you. I can't wait to read more by this author. I believe she has at least one more book in this series due out this year and a historical romance coming up next. I've already put them on my must-read list. Final Grade- B+

Favorite Quote:

"You, Ms. Morrison, do not need a lover. You need a friend."

Dianna says

Amy's been in a seven year relationship with Mason. She supported him through med school and, on the morning of their wedding, he jilts her. 'I don't think I love you anymore,' he tells her tearfully. Amy goes to the office.

She's upset, but not heartbroken. It's clear to her that while she's hurt, while this devastates the plans for the life she thought she wanted to lead, Mason was actually a bit of a jerk and she's probably better off without him.

Dax, Amy's sworn enemy is at their office on the 49th floor. Between flashback examples of their enmity, bouts of crying and a couple of death stares, Dax gets the story out of Amy. He's on board with Mason being a huge idiot, and he takes Amy off to a bar to get drunk.

This is the second in the series, but can be read standalone. The first couple make appearances – Jack is Amy's boss and Cassie is now Amy's friend, but they don't take over. While it was on sale, I bought the first 49th floor book and didn't read it. I'll admit that Dax on the cover is the reason I bought 'Sleeping With Her Enemy.' Dax (which is a terrible, scifi sounding name) is Asian, and that seems pretty rare in the contemporary romances I see. There should be more. This isn't at all a 'two worlds collide' style of book – Dax and Amy are both cool, fun people and both very successful. Amy is VP of a commercial real estate business. She's salaried, but I'd assume that it's an incredibly decent salary and at 29, she's really successful. In his mid-30s, Dax is vaguely billionaire-ish as CEO of a tech company.

The chemistry between Dax and Amy is sparky, and there's a good bit of development work on their mutual lust. They have a very similar outlook on life and it was clear how they'd work as a couple once they got through their conflict. Dax has been fighting an attraction to Amy for years, and they have a shared history of being comically mean to each other. I liked them both, although at first I wasn't so sure about Amy: I thought she might be a little too cool.

I have this thing about romance heroines. I tend to roll my eyes heaps at the generic 'I suffer and sacrifice and am sad, rescue me!' young lady. I get where she's coming from, and I totally connect with how unjust the world is where she's concerned. She totally deserves a billionaire or a prince or a vampire, or whatever extraordinary man prize she gets. However, she's so prevalent, and I just wish she'd be a bit more cheerful and a bit less prone to anxiety.

The thing is, I also roll my eyes over her polar opposite: the cool girl. The cool girl is out there and she's so smart and pretty and confident. She texts! She may have the whole social media package going on, and unlike the young lady (who trots along to classical music concerts) the cool girl has a range of musical tastes, anything from jazz to pop to indie bands. She has opinions and she uses proper swear words. She drinks and parties with her girlfriends and sure, sometimes she can be a bit of a train wreck, but nobody gets to tell her how to live her life. I find she can sometimes be so busy so being awesome that she makes me grind my teeth.

I was a little worried that Amy was going to be too much the cool girl, but she wasn't. I admired how she got on with her life, and had sympathy for her hurt and confusion over the ending of her relationship with Mason, and the frustrations over Dax's intimacy problems.

Dax won't do relationships. What a surprise! He's got his background reasons for it, but the hero who won't commit is nothing new. He's sexy and fun, which is nice, and it at least makes sense why Amy likes him. He didn't bug me. He wasn't being particularly childish or petulant, and he eventually did a good job of working out that he was being an idiot and making up for it.

Amy and Dax are a fun couple, and the emotional ride through their relationship is satisfying. Toronto sounds like an amazing city, and I loved the idea of those islands where you go on a waiting list to buy a

house. Amy's real estate hobby is perfect, and Dax's family were lovely. I'm reading a lot of Harlequin Presents/Mills & Boon Sexy at the moment and while they sometimes take a crack at being bit more in the 21st century, they do struggle. It's kind of adorable and I love them for it, but it's also so refreshing to read something that's so firmly and positively modern in setting.

Brandy Painter says

This book was so much my favorite brand of romance crack

Excellent banter? Check

Enemies to respect to friends to lovers? Check

Slow burn sexual development? Check

Minimum of unnecessary drama? Check

I enjoyed this book so much and had a great time reading it. I enjoyed Saving the CEO but wasn't as thrilled with the drama shenanigans at the end of that one. (Jack is the King of Overreaction.) Still, I enjoyed it enough to buy this when I saw it was on sale. I was a bit wary due to the synopsis but I think that's a little misleading. I really thought Amy was going from being jilted to hooking up with Dax immediately (which would make him more of a jerk than not in my opinion). But that's not what happens at all. I can not even begin to tell you how much I loved the development of the relationship between these two. Both of them are just really great characters on their own too. And the way they were with their friends and family. (Dax's family is AWESOME. Good stuff there.) The final conflict is resolved rather quickly too with both of them realizing, "Hey, we need to have an honest conversation." almost immediately. Like within the hour. YAY! I basically had a stupid grin on my face the entire time I was reading.

I'm definitely going to pick up The Engagement Game even though, again, the premise makes me wary. I'm not much on blackmail plots, but I do like Fake It 'Til You Make It stories and Holiday has won my trust with this.

This is going to be a comfort reread in the future for sure.

Katie says

OH YEAH, THIS WAS GOOD.

As others have said, the description is a bit misleading. Amy and Dax don't jump into bed right away after she's jilted. Their relationship takes time to develop.

AND THERE'S BASICALLY NO DRAMA! I'm so often braced for that last minute silly drama before the happy ending, but that didn't happen here!

And it was just well done, with good characters, and believable. (And nice baseball references for me! Brandon Morrow!)

I also really believed their initial dislike of each other. So often I find that kind of thing forced.

Jennifer says

4 Stars

Sleeping With Her Enemy is my first Jenny Holiday novel and will not be my last. It tells the story of Amy whose fiancée breaks up with her on their wedding day. In order to deal with the situation, she goes to the place that she feels most comfortable...her office in downtown Toronto. What she doesn't expect is to run into her work nemesis, Dax, and she also doesn't expect him to help her on the worst day of her life and become someone she can't imagine living without.

I was surprised at how much I enjoyed this story. Contemporary romance is not usually my genre of choice, but I just couldn't resist the "enemies to lovers" theme that the blurb mentioned. Amy and Dax are both really interesting and likable characters. They are hard workers who are successful in their respective fields. I adore capable characters in my romance novels! Amy's relationship with her ex-boyfriend was part of her grand plan and she is forced to evaluate why she had such strict routine set for her life while Dax must deal with some issues from his past related to serious romantic relationships.

As a couple, I thought Dax and Amy were great together. I'm not sure that I believed they were really office enemies before the disastrous wedding day. There are some examples of snarky comments between them, but I had a hard time imagining them as being truly mean to one another which was okay...just not what I was expecting based on the title and the summary. That being said, I thought the development of their relationship was really well-done. They spent a lot of time together outside of the office and I could see them slowly falling for one another. It also doesn't hurt that the snark quickly turned to banter and some insane chemistry.

I definitely plan on reading more of Jenny Holiday's books especially the rest of this series. Despite the fact that I jumped into the middle of the trilogy, I never felt lost or confused. So I definitely think it can be read as a stand-alone. I did enjoy the little tidbits I got about Jack and Cassie who were the couple from the first book as well as Marcus who features in book three. If you are in the mood for a cute contemporary with capable, realistic characters, I recommend *Sleeping With Her Enemy*. It was a delightful reading experience!

Celestine says

2.5 stars

Elizabeth says

8/2017 - Well...upon a reread, I didn't like this as much which makes me sad. I maaaay have gotten to excited about the white woman/asian man pairing which I sadly haven't really seen otherwise in romance. I mean...it was still alright, but not what I generally need for me to really love the writing.

4.5

Whew - this was HOT. Not going to lie, I grabbed this primarily because it was free at the time and in no small part because there's a smokin hot Asian guy. This was basically everything I'd want in a contemporary romance, and it hit a lot of my favourite things: hate-to-love relationship, a blonde girl with an Asian guy

(ok, he's half Chinese, but come on! As a white girl dating a Korean guy I can name exactly ONE book that features that combination. And until this book it was also the only one featuring ANY Asian guy with a white girl), great families and friends. There were a couple of moments where the writing stumbled for me, but as a whole it was exactly what I wanted.

Michelle [Helen Geek] says

12/21/2015 -- 2 Stars

So, this was rated A- on DA. I'm in some sort of a book slump, so thought I'd try it. I'm at 25% and it just does nothing for me. Not bad writing, but nothing really happening and nothing unique about the story. Giving up on it. I found it rather boring and unimaginable.

Happy Reading!

Bubu says

Warning: spoilers ahead! (I think)

Again, don't let the tags confuse you. If I compare this with *Wallbanger*, I'd never think of *Sleeping with Her Enemy* as Chick Lit. Also, seriously? Erotica? Nope, it's not Erotica. If anything, this one is less steamy than *Saving the CEO*.

Now that I've got this out of the way, I must say that I didn't like this one quite as much as the previous book. By the way, the h/H of the first one make their appearances here.

The first 30% were actually really nicely done. Amy, jilted at the altar that very morning, finds herself in the company of the one man she dislikes, and the only man she didn't invite to her wedding from the 49th floor, Dax Harris, CEO of the software company that shares the same floor as the company Amy works for. They've been enemies for years, constantly at each other's throats, constantly bickering. But in her time of need, it's Dax who turns out to be the shoulder to cry on, and he turns out to be just the right Knight in Shining Armor that she needs. They spend the day/night together (no sex), Amy gets drunk, Dax finds her more and more attractive (although it's kind of clear that he must have found her attractive before), and they end up sharing a hot kiss on a ferry. Long story short: they start liking each other, spending more time with each other and occasionally kissing each other.

And this is where the problems started. Mind you, it wasn't a disaster. It's still a cute story but – unlike in the first book – I couldn't quite suspend my disbelief. It might have been because the author spent the first 20% on the one night Amy and Dax spend together, and then needed to fast forward the plot.

The story started stuttering along. Amy is a little bit too perfect; Dax is a little bit too indecisive; the *push-and-pull* is a little bit too exasperating; his family (all with their gender and age appropriate behaviour) is a little bit too cute; the reasons that keep them apart are a little bit too easily glossed over in the end. It was still okay, I still enjoyed it but the characters fell into stereotypical shenanigans and I got slightly impatient. It didn't surprise me in the least that the ending was rushed. From:

“Right,” he said. “It was fun while it lasted. I guess I’ll... see you around.”

to

Time to start sleeping with Amy Morrison again.

in a matter of five pages. And besides, ‘*Time to start sleeping with Amy Morrison again*’? Really? I could have slapped Dax. Grow up. Obviously it doesn't take him long to realise that he's actually in love with Amy.

The first half was a solid 4 stars for me, the second 2 stars. So, here it is. 3 stars, although I'm leaning more towards 2.5. When will GR finally give us ½ stars?

Mandy says

This was a really sweet enemies to lovers story. Amy is a jilted bride, dumped just a few hours before her wedding by her boyfriend of 7 years. Dex doesn't do relationships after a really bad experience. Dex and Amy work on the same floor but for different companies. They bump heads every time they see each other, often fighting. When Amy is left at the alter, she escapes to the one place where she feels safe and knows is empty on Saturday - her office. What she doesn't expect is to run into Dex on the worst day of her life. I LOVED this story and the way Amy and Dex were with each other. This book was really well written and I couldn't put it down. It was fast-paced, fun, sweet, romantic and sexy. I really enjoyed this story and can't wait to see who the next book in this series is about.

****ARC provided in exchange for an honest review****

Nadia says

Too cute. Also the model on the cover is fiiiine.

Michelle says

[image error]

Blushing Reader says

When you are having the worst day of your life and you realize you have no one to call or anywhere else to go, sometimes life hands you the unexpected. Jenny Holiday has created a story that really sucks you in from the beginning (or the blurb, if you are like me) and keeps you riveted until the end. *Sleeping with Her Enemy* was an unexpected gem! While friends to lovers may be my favorite book trope, the idea of two people that can't get along without arguing turning into friends, then lovers was pretty spectacular!

Sleeping with Her Enemy is book #2 in the 49th floor series (*Saving the Ceo* is book #1), you can read it as a

stand alone book, like I did and have no issues feeling out of the loop. Since I didn't read book one, I will be going back to see if we get more of the "enemy" factor shown between Amy and Dax and because that is all that is left on Jenny Holiday's back list (and I need more of her writing!).

Jenny Holiday does a great job setting up the scene, getting the reader invested in Amy's character and creating witty banter between her and Dax. The characters in this book were not what you expect and had way more depth and personality than your typical "CEO/co-worker" trope. I loved Dax! He was like a breath of fresh air! I just wish we would have gotten more insight into his point of view during all this but I am very pleased with what we did get. Dax isn't your typical alpha CEO that has a superiority complex. From the start of the book I was expected to dislike him like Amy and have to be "won" over by him. I was wrong. Jenny Holiday made him layered, with a strong sense of playfulness and loyalties to loved ones. Dax was a great male lead with his patience and inner struggle to keep it just friends with Amy. Then we have Amy. Poor Amy was a mess when we meet her and the reader gets to watch her rebuild herself while learning what she thought she needed in life might not be something she can plan. I liked Amy's character, she was strong, independent but at the same time struggling to find what her heart actually wanted.

Sleeping with Her Enemy was a great book, this was my first book by Jenny Holiday and I will definitely be going back to read *Saving the CEO* and watching for what else she writes. I loved her style of storytelling, letting the characters slide into love by putting down their habits of snarky zingers to become friends and then letting them "fall". The pacing was great, the story keeps you turning pages and ignoring the outside world until you are done and the sparks/heat will redden a few cheeks for sure!

If you are looking for a great story about two people realizing what they have always wanted was right in front of them, then *Sleeping with Her Enemy* needs to get in your e-reader! If you are a fan of Jenny Holiday, I think you will love Amy and Dax's story and getting up to date on all the happenings on the 49th floor. I can't wait to read more from this author, even if she did leave me craving Beef Stroganoff!

Jacqueline says

Sweet enemies to lovers story. Well written and good plotting and character development. I was a bit disappointed that although the character is half Chinese, he is described as having totally inherited his father's English looks while his sister looks Chinese. What was the point really then? Still it was a fun quick read.

Chachic says

I read *Saving the CEO* but wasn't that impressed with it, so I wasn't planning to read *Sleeping with Her Enemy*. But then I saw my good friend Brandy's review and I decided to give it a try. It's easy to give in when the book's price is just USD 0.99! I'm glad I picked it up. I liked this a lot better than the first book (I've mostly forgotten what happened in that one).

The book summary makes it seem like the two MCs jumped into bed right after the girl was left at the altar but that's not what really happened... sure, there was a lot of attraction between the two of them but they didn't act on it until much later. They transitioned from office enemies to frenemies to friends. I really enjoyed their banter and several of the scenes made me grin. Also, I really liked that both of the MC's families played a part in the story. I always enjoy seeing the involvement of friends and family in the couple's lives, because that makes the romance even more realistic. Dax's family is the best, I enjoyed all of

the scenes that had his mom, dad and sister in it. While Amy's family wasn't as great, I'm glad they still got some page time because her relationship with them has been a big influence on her life.

I also liked the book's setting (Toronto) and I even Googled some of the places mentioned in the book. The descriptions for Dax's quaint and cozy house were lovely, and I thought it was pretty sweet that Amy was able to find refuge there. And yay for unnecessary drama. I think that was one of the main reasons why I enjoyed this book as much as I did. Recommended for contemporary romance fans! I'll be interested in trying out Jenny Holiday's other books.
