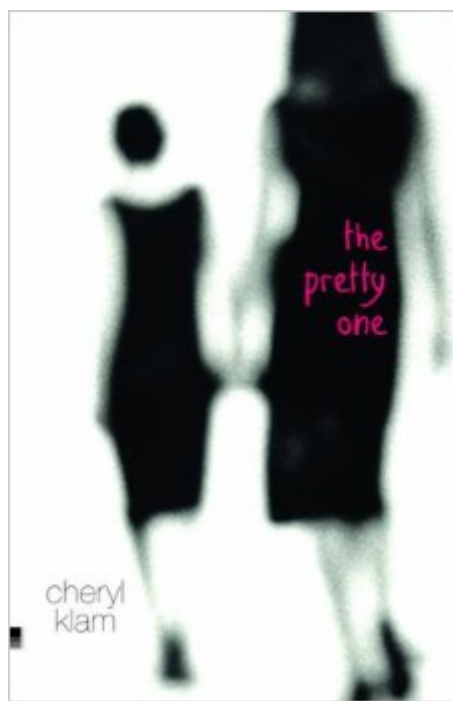


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# The Pretty One



## Synopsis

All Megan Fletcher had wanted was to be like her sister Lucy: a beautiful, thin girl whom everyone at the Chesapeake School for Performing Arts worshipped and adored. While Lucy was a star actress with lots of fans, Megan had always been hiding behind the set designs that she and her best friend Simon had created, hoping that no one would notice her. And then one day, life as Megan knew it had changed forever. Megan was in an accident that disfigured her face and plastic surgeons had to restructure it very carefully. Only no one would have thought that when the bandages came off, Megan would be even more beautiful than Lucy . . .

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## Customer Reviews

Sisters Megan and Lucy are separated by eleven months - and looks, and popularity - but are extremely close otherwise. At the Chesapeake School of the Arts, lovely Lucy is a drama major while quiet Megan is a "techie" majoring in theatre production, content to stay backstage while her older sister is in the spotlight. Megan trusts Lucy and really looks up to her. Then, on the night of the big high school dance, Megan overhears a conversation in the bathroom in which someone criticizes her outfit and her looks. Another voice chimes in, a voice she'd know anywhere. It belongs to her sister. Stunned, hurt, Megan runs out of the restroom, out of the building, and into the street, where she is hit by a car. She wakes up in the hospital. Having suffered multiple injuries, she'll have to have plenty of rest and physical therapy, and the damage to her face requires reconstructive

surgery. When she looks the mirror, she barely recognizes what she sees. While recovering from the accident, Megan lost a significant amount of weight. When she is finally able to return to school, people treat her differently. Some of her classmates don't even realize who she is and think she's a new student. No longer in Lucy's shadow, Megan feels exposed. The surgeries changed not only her face, but her life. The accident (and the conversation which preceded it) upset the balance the sisters once took for granted, and their slightly overweight father and eternally polished mother have different reactions to their youngest daughter's new appearance. Lucy sets her eyes on Drew, who has been Megan's crush since she was a freshman. Drew had an open book the first time Megan saw him, and she later learned that he carries around a dictionary. Drew's also an aspiring playwright and director, so now he's Lucy's crush-of-the-week. Fellow techie and Megan's longtime best friend Simon is being weird when he's around her. Uncomfortable in her (almost new) skin and unable to reach out to Lucy, Megan returns to the things that comfort her: food, baggy clothing, tech work. Then one of the sisters is cast as the leading lady opposite Drew in his original play, and everyone starts acting up. Throughout the story, Megan holds on to who she is on the inside. Both before and after her accident, she values someone's personality more than their looks, and wishes others would do the same.

I loved this book.....no spoilers. I wish it a little more of Megan & Lucy's relationship but I guess it kinda ended like real life no big shiny bow and perfect fairy tale land it was realistic. I hope there's a sequel

The story in this book does a good job of showing how beauty is - and is not - a key ingredient for a happy life. It is well-written and reads easily, but is not terribly deep. I hadn't realized it was better for a teenage audience, but i still found it engaging reading.

The Pretty One was put on to my summer reading list from school and any teenage girl would think that any book on that list is going to be dreadfully boring. As for me, I never read anybooks on my summer reading list, but this year I decided to read and I chose The Pretty One. I LOVED and ENJOYED this book from the beginning to the end. It's filled with romance and mystery. It's took me about five days to read and each time I started I couldn't stop. If can't say I would recommend it to anyone due to not everyone loves teenage romance, but if you do this would be a perfect book for you too read and you will very much enjoy it.

I liked this book a lot. It's an easy, quick read. I found myself not wanting to put the book down, and that's not something I say too often. The main character, Megan, is an ugly duckling who is turned into the prettiest girl in school after a freak accident that requires her to undergo plastic surgery to reconstruct her face. Megan is not used to all the new attention her appearance is getting her, and she must learn to deal with both the positive and the negative aspects of all the attention. Her relationships with her parents, sister, best friend, her crush, and even complete strangers has changed just as much as her physical appearance has changed. She's left to contemplate whether life would be easier for her if she had remained ugly after all. The book contains the typical high school drama while also introducing the thoughts and emotions Megan goes through during her physical transformation. While I felt the ending could have provided a bit more closure and tied up a few more ends, I still liked it. I'd suggest this book to young teens. I'll definitely be passing this book along to my 13-year-old sister. I found it quite a fun read.

I had to read this book for a book report and was dreading having to pick it up and read it. But finally, being the overachiever I am, I got a head start on reading because I was bored. I started it and finished it that same day. It was VERY entertaining and I enjoyed it. For anyone in high school and mainly girls. I liked how the author included the script of the play in the end, thanks! Can someone say sequel!?  
Summary: About a young heavier ugly girl named Megan, who has an older sister who is beyond beautiful. Megan has admired her sister her whole life but after a car accident that leaves Megan's face damaged, she undergoes reconstructive surgery. Megan finds herself finally beautiful, maybe even more gorgeous than her sister.

I liked the book i thought it was good. i just didnt like the fact that when she was hit her face was messed up and she became like new. i think she should have already been pretty but people never noticed it because of her size and because of the clothes she had on. Other than that i thought it was a great read.

Those shoes are AWESOME! So sexy and comfortable! I have yet to try them during a pole class but I absolutely love them and I'm really satisfied. Let's hope they last a long time too!

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