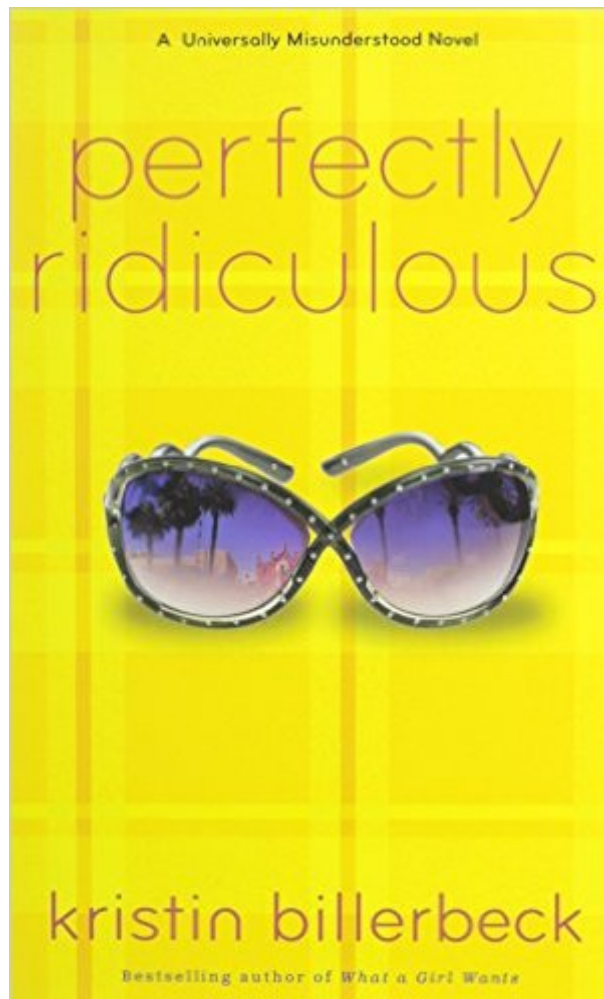


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Synopsis

Daisy Crispin is at a crossroads. In one direction lies the promised land--life at college, away from her embarrassing and overprotective parents. In the other direction is reality--her strapped bank account, an ailing father, and family priorities. Daisy knows the "perfect" daughter wouldn't have to think twice. But maybe Daisy was never really perfect on any level, because she does not want her life to look the way her parents think it should. She won't let that stop her, though. Now that she has been given an exciting free trip to Argentina before going to college, she's thrilled--until her parents decide to go along with her. Hilarious and all too true to life, *Perfectly Ridiculous* gives teen girls more of what they want and love to read from Kristin Billerbeck.

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Customer Reviews

This very realistic series of books took an honest look at the trials and struggles of high school life, even in a Christian school. I loved the unexpected twist at the end of the book, and the "happy ever after" ending, which actually leaves room for additions to the series. However, I did find certain aspects, (the stolen car and the firing from the mission) to be too far-fetched, in comparison to the first two books of the series.

So I've read all the first and second in this series, but this one was by far the best. There's a new

love interest, J.C., and action with a stolen car and a child abuser. There's so much unbelievable and unexpected events that I can't put it down. I love this book soo much!!! :D

I'm thankful for the review copy of a very funny youth fiction novel. What a great surprise I had in reading a book by an author I hadn't read before. This book was easy and fun to read and follow even if this book was the third in the series. The author gave the readers hints as to what happened in the other books I wasn't lost. The author caught the reader up on what they missed. It's all good! But it did peak my interest so much that I've added Perfectly Dateless book one and Perfectly Invisible book two to my reading list. You'll be doing that too. I'll just have to read for myself Daisy's adventures in High School! Daisy Cripin is the main character who's honest, fun and has a way of looking at life that makes you smile and laugh out loud at times. Kristen has intertwined parts of Daisy's personal travel journal written in first person with that of the third person POV letting the reader experience the story as it unfolds and experience her interaction with friends and family. I liked the combination! This author captures the emotion, struggles and how it feels to be in high school preparing to enter college. Daisy says this, "Somehow I thought I'd feel different after graduation. Fulfilled? Maybe? Accomplished? Something?... Granted High School is better if one is acne-free, can afford Forever 21 clothes and manage to nab a boyfriend. Sadly, I was not one of those girls my mother claims high school years were character building. I know it's wrong to find my worth in what others think of me, or in material goods my mother has told me so since birth, I believe. However, my mother buys upholstery fabric to make her own dresses. She claims it has more structure and works like a built in girdle. I think it just makes her look like furniture. We're different my mom and I and I wouldn't be surprised at all to find out I was switched at birth. This is hysterical. I really enjoy how this author naturally weaves in the spiritual thread into the plot that has twists like a roller coaster and just as fun. Daisy says again in her journal, "Everything that happened before now is over, and I get to create a whole new future as a finance major at Pepperdine University in Malibu. Now I can focus on the future success. But there's a let down no one tells you about. You've done it. You've accomplished your goal and graduated with honors and Oh, did we forget to mention that no one cares?" I instantly connected with Daisy and found her view on life honest and funny! This author had me smiling so much in this novel my face hurt! When's the last time you read a book like that? Well now's your chance! I highly

recommend this book just for fun and for your book club pick. There is definitely a lot to talk about, oh, and I'll be checking out more books by this author that I'm sure for sure. Disclosure of Material Connection: I received a complimentary copy of this book from the publisher. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255 "Guides Concerning the Use of Endorsements and Testimonials in Advertising" • Nora St Laurent TBCN Where Book Fun Begins www.bookfun.org The Book Club Network blog www.psalm516.blogspot.com Book Fun Magazine www.bookfunmagazine.com

"Perfectly Ridiculous" will make a fun summer read for teens to enjoy as it will provide light entertainment. Daisy Crispin just graduated from high school. Claire, her best friend, wants to take Daisy on a free vacation to Argentina. Only issue is that Daisy needs to do a week of mission work for her school. Daisy's parents are not easily convinced to allow her to incorporate her mission requirements and a summer vacation to Argentina. They eventually agree but insist on tagging along. Daisy has made plans to meet up with her Argentinian boyfriend named Max. She is quickly disappointed in Max and his behavior towards her after she arrives in Argentina. Though it isn't clearly written they break up before they even become a couple. Daisy meets another young man named J.C. They happen to be attending the same college in the fall. J.C. gets injured and has to return to the US early. Though he ends up by not leaving. There are several chapters of weirdness that happens that involve Daisy, J.C., Max and Rosalina. The whole premise of the story is Daisy and her mission requirement, though she spends very little time at the Mission. The leader, Libby, seems to have formed an instant dislike towards her. Then Libby suddenly demands that Daisy leave the Mission immediately. Why did the author even put it in the book? Max is back in the picture and Daisy discovers he is engaged. Then discovers her parents are wealthy and money is not an issue for them. The next thing I am reading, Max is not engaged to Rosalina and he and Daisy are an item again? The storyline is decent just very unorganized and scattered. I never knew what what was truly going on. The "shocking" twists in the plot at the end just added more confusion and were too random. Parts of the book are narrated via Daisy's travel diary and made no sense as Daisy is actually telling the story. Though there are some issues with how the story is written "Perfectly Ridiculous" did provide me with some enjoyment as Billerbeck did an exceptional job in describing Argentina. I have had this book since last August, tried to read it then and put it aside. I recently found it and thought I would give it another try. With all that said, if you are looking to be kept on the edge of your seat with something new and different, this isn't the book for you.

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