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The Reinvention Of Mimi Finnegan (The Mimi Chronicles Book 1)



Synopsis

Thirty-four year old, Mimi Finnegan, is the third of four daughters and in her eyes, by far, the most unremarkable. She has no singular accomplishment that can stand up to any of her sisters. And if that isn't enough, she is the only single sibling in her family. Mimi's sisters decide that it's time she gets serious about husband hunting, so they begin a campaign to find Mr. Right.

Considering her most recent dating encounters include a night club owner who stuffs bratwurst in his pants and a WASPy trust fund baby, living happily under his mother's thumb, Mimi is more than ready to meet THE ONE. Enter celebrated British novelist, Elliot Fielding. Sexual tension and anger heat up between the duo and it isn't until Mimi discovers that Elliot is almost engaged to another that she realizes she is head-over-heels in love with him. The journey will make you laugh, cry and want to pull your hair out from frustration! Mimi eventually learns she is quite remarkable in her own right and never needed to worry she lived in her sisters shadows. The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan is the perfect laugh-out-loud, feel good book for any woman who has ever felt that she wasn't good enough.

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Customer Reviews

Get ready, because I'm going to gush. The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan is one of the most clever, entertaining, page-turning books I've read so far this year, and it's shooting straight to the top of my favorites list. I've always been a sucker for a good makeover story, and Mimi more than delivers in that regard, but what I really loved about this book is that the swanification (Yes, I just made up that word!) of the heroine happens pretty early. So, the meat of the story is the aftermath of Mimi becoming a bombshell. The reader gets to see how her life and relationships (especially the one Mimi has with herself) grow and change, and it's fascinating, complicated stuff. Unpredictable, too! I rode a roller coaster of emotions while reading this book. I laughed (a lot!), shed some tears, and even gasped in shock at one point (Kudos to the author for a little plot twist that made me see a previously unlikable character in an entirely new light.) Irreverent humor, juicy romance, dramatic plot crescendos, and a well-drawn heroine any woman could relate to – The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan has it all! I adored the supporting characters in this book (Mimi's love interests, as well as her sisters and their significant others) so much that I'm hoping for a sequel! I received a copy of The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan in exchange for an honest review.

I couldn't have laughed anymore if I wanted to! This book was hilarious! There were so many levels and depths to these characters, I was always wanting to know more and Whitney delivered every time! Mimi always felt like the ugly duckling amongst her sisters - she thought her actual quality that was admired by her family was her FEET! She is also the only single sister in the family and that doesn't do well for one's self esteem at all! At 34 you begin to wonder, is this what my life will amount to? Her sisters have decided that they need to set her up - her luck as of lately is one for the record books! Then she meets Elliot Fielding...what a horrible man, he's snobbish, rude and Mimi has FALLEN IN LOVE! But he's....ENGAGED! There will be parts that will make you laugh louder than you ever had (her conversations with her bunion, yes you read that correctly), parts that will make you furious (when Elliot seems to be leading her on) and parts that will make you cry (I can't give away all secrets!) You will be engaged from beginning to end and left wanting more!

The first part of this novel had me singing praises and wondering how I might give chick-lit five stars. Alas, the second half of the book left me feeling that it was just average. Spoiler...Mimi having sex in

a carriage in New York City not only seemed out of character, but just plain gross. I would hate to be the next passenger! This is followed up, by sex on the desk in her office. Not only very unprofessional, but it about finished off my admiration of the formerly lovable Mimi. Parts of this book were so clever and well-written, it is too bad the author thought these episodes enhanced the story. I ended up with a three star recommendation, but only to compensate for the wonderful Edith Bunker bunion...so clever!

I was in stitches from the first line of this book! Mimi is at the doctor's office and learns she has a bunion. "A bunion?" I shriek. "It would appear so." answers Dr. Foster, the podiatrist referred by my HMO. "Aren't bunions something that old people get?" And she ends up naming her bunion! How funny is that? Then the doctor proceeds to get on her about her weight. 'I'm big boned!' Haven't we all claimed that at one time or another? Mimi is someone I can relate to. So in the end, Mimi joins Weight Watchers (been there, done that) in order to lose weight to take some of the pressure off of her feet and her bunion. The journey she goes through is hilarious and eye-opening at the same time. Whitney must have a great sense of humor because Mimi's character and her adventures are just plain fun! What a hoot! Eyeing my perfectly groomed sisters and parents, I wonder if there's any chance I could have been adopted. Or maybe my mom cheated on my dad with a circus clown and I'm the result. You've just got to read The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan and enjoy the journey that Mimi goes on as she discovers who she is and what she wants out of life. This is a very entertaining read that had me laughing out loud. And did I mention that I just love Mimi? Well, I do and I was rooting for her all the way! I enjoyed my first look at Whitney's work and look forward to reading more of her stories. I know it will be a fun, enjoyable time. Thanks for the laughs, Whitney!

The Reinvention of Mimi Finnegan is a romantic comedy written by Whitney Dineen. It is the story of Mimi Finnegan, a 34 year old woman who thinks out of her 3 sisters and herself that she is the least impressive. Mimi is ready to meet THE One. Who she ends up meeting is THE British novelist Elliot Fielding. There the story takes off! This was a terrific story, reminiscent of Bridget Jones. It is fun, humorous, frustrating, touching and will have you rooting for Mimi all the way through. It is written for anyone who might have felt that they weren't good enough at some point in their life.

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