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Lexie Baker is ready for her close up and nobody's gonna get in her freaking way.

Nearly a year after graduating high school and taking a hiatus from her family's reality TV show, "Baker's Dozen: Fresh Batch," Lexie is in Los Angeles, on a mission to take Hollywood by storm. From red carpet premiers to helping her YouTube star roommate film weird videos, Lex fits right in with the droves of girls just as hungry as she is for some screen time. When Jax Wilson, a young, hot producer, offers to launch The Lexie Project, a reality show that will chronicle Lex's adventures trying to make it as an actress in LA, she jumps at the chance. It isn't an Oscar-winning role, but it's a start.

Then she meets Liam, a film student who brings books to parties and is one of her twin brother's closest friends. When it becomes clear that her brother, Benny, has a serious drinking problem—one that lands him on the front page of tabloids and threatens to get him kicked out of his university—Lexie relies on Liam to help her protect her brother. But spending time with Liam throws Lex into a spiral of self doubt: is this the life she really wants? And how far will she go for the stardom she's always longed for?

The City of Angels soon becomes Hell on Earth and Lexie realizes that everyone—even Liam—has something they're hiding. Fed up with Hollywood, Lexie decides she needs to find a new role to play—not the one she was cast in at birth.

The Lexie Project is a spin-off of the critically acclaimed novelized memoir, *Something Real*, by Heather Demetrios and features several of the major characters from the novel, including Chloe and Patrick.

You can read on Wattpad (The Lexie Project) or on Lexie's Website (www.lexieproject.com)

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Danielle (YA, By the Way) says

Very average? I really enjoyed parts of this, but overall, it just seemed like it was trying too hard. It went through so many "hot topic" issues, and many of them came so out of the blue that they weren't even shocking, they were just random.

And the worst part of both this and Something Real? How unrelentingly awful all of the MetaReel people are.

It was entertaining enough to hold my interest, but overall just too dramatic and unrealistic for me.

♣ TABI ♣ says

Mmmm looks lovely!

Sumaya Musse says

Great story! Can't wait till this is a print copy! ;)

Beth Martin says

Genuinely excellent. It's melodramatic, sure, to the nth degree. Everything that can go wrong absolutely does. But it's handled with genuine heart and humor. Plus, I've always had a soft spot for Boss Ass Bitches. And also oh my god Liam is Pure Swoon. Just. Swoon.

Tina Kacey says

SO PROUD OF MY GIRL LEXIE.

Jessie Potts says

we have The Lexie Project by Heather Demetrios. This is a spin-off of Something Real (fun, fun book!) and a serial, which I love, by the way. The first four chapters were released on Wattpad Monday, and they'll have you hooked until the next installment. Every Wednesday, there will be a new chapter up. Plus, if you follow Heather on any social-media platform, she'll give you "extras." The coolest part of this serial? She wants readers' input. She's put up a Lexie Twitter account (@reallexiebaker), and readers can interact with the

character and chat about what happened in Lex's life last week. It's a brave new world, readers!

Head over to the HEA Blog to see what Heather has to say about Lexi, writing a serial romance and what she's currently working on next!

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/happyev...>

Read InAGarden says

The Lexie Project is now finished on Wattpad and it is really good. Hopefully it will be released as a printed book. It follows Lexie from Something Real and delves into the real side of reality television - not the fake stuff we see on weekly TV. To me, it is a blend of the Jenner and Gosselin kids telling it like it really is not the Hollywood packaged version. Books like these are important in our celebrity obsessed culture because teens believe the "reality" they see on TV is real and books like these help them to understand the false narrative of reality TV. Like I said before, hoping that this book will be released in print and that there will be more in the series.

WJ says

I actually don't remember much of Something Real, the first book in the series, only a vague recollection that I was pleasantly surprised by how much I enjoyed it. So when I went into *The Lexie Project*, I actually didn't really remember who Lexie was or what her older sister Chloe had done to their reality tv show.

Nonetheless, because *The Lexie Project* was available for free to read on Wattpad, I figured that I might as well check out what else Heather Demetrios had to offer and what their family was up to.

Unlike her older sister, Lexie loves the limelight and has always wanted to be her star. She has no qualms about leveraging on her reality tv show past to get her own spotlight. After all, she's always been part of a dozen when all she really wanted was be the only star. But when her first show goes awry, having been dumped on national tv, Lexie knows that she has limited chances to strike it out on her own. Luckily Jax Wilson, a young producer, offers to launch Lexie off with her own show. This is the chance that she's been waiting for, although Lexie has no real clue about how much of a mess she is about to embroil herself into.

When she meets Liam, her twin brother's friend from college, her perspective on her life changes a little. Liam is a film student, who doesn't buy into the whole "getting famous for fame's sake" perspective that Lexie lives her by. But weirdly, Liam seems interested in spending time with Lexie.

The Lexie Project had some parts in it that I really enjoyed, namely Lexie's relationship with Benny and Chloe. It was great to catch up with Chloe via Lexie, to find out what she's been up to since she left the reality tv show and how she managed to carve out a little space in the world of her own. It was also nice to see Benny again and to get Lexie's perspective of how their relationship weighs against Benny's and Chloe's. And of course, Lexie's opinion on reality shows is very different from theirs because she adores the attention that she receives from it. I also enjoyed the way that Demetrios describes how the media builds young female starlets up before destroying them, just because they fail to be as perfect as when they were first presented.

New characters such as Lexie's Youtube room-mate (and arguably best friend outside of her family) and

Liam are also introduced. Liam was a nice, refreshing contrast from all the reality show scum-bags that hang around Lexie and I liked how slowly their relationship built. (view spoiler)

The thing about Lexie, though, is that she has a bit of a self-destructive streak in her. This made it not always pleasant to read from her perspective. (view spoiler) Furthermore, it did feel a little like the author threw in a lot of hot topic issues that weren't all addressed properly, which was a little disappointing.

Kareena says

A fun sequel to Something Real . I didn't like it nearly as much as Something Real due to Lexie. I had a much harder time connecting with her, than I did with Chloe. The plot moved fairly quickly, with lots of things happening. I also really liked the side characters. Liam and Noelle were amazing!! But overall, I just didn't fall in love with it. Lexie wasn't my favorite and at points she made decisions that didn't make sense. If you read and like Something Real, definitely read it. The Lexie Project gives some satisfying closure on Chloe and Patrick which will make the reader happy. Overall, cute but not amazing.

*lots of language, semi-frequent uses of the f-bomb, and others. References to sex, some heavy make-out, and a couple non-graphic sex scenes. Some sexual abuse memories. Definitely for older teens+

Laurence R. says

This was such an emotional read! I got much more than I expected.

Karin Bengtsson says

Samma som förra boken - en stark trea. Spännande och fyllt med drama, men både huvudpersonen och hjälten liknar sina motsvarigheter i Something real för mycket. (Däremot inte karaktärerna i I'll meet you there, som tur är.)

Nicole says

I'm really excited for this! I picked up Something Real because I ran out of books at overnight camp and my friend was done reading it. I probably never would have read it if I hadn't been bookless because I had never heard of it before. I was pleasantly surprised and it was one of my favorite books I read that summer. I didn't even know there was a second one and can't wait.

Genevieve says

3.5 stars

Audrey says

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TIME: Do you consider yourself a feminist?

Shailene Woodley: No because I love men, and I think the idea of 'raise women to power, ta

Nicole Craswell says

I feel like my feelings about Lexie in this book pretty much mirrored by feelings about her in Something Real: I started off not being a fan of her, I was very much not into the camera obsessed, shallow, fake-Lexie. But as the book went on, I fell in love with her. I fell for the Lexie who's not afraid to be who she wants to be, for the Lexie who is not afraid to tell it like it is and anyone who has a problem with that can fuck themselves.

Noelle was charming and I loved that we got to spend A LOT more time with Benny, Matt, Chloe, and Patrick.

I also appreciated that some of the plot lines that I felt like didn't get fully wrapped up in Something Real got their questions answered.

My first instinct was to say that this book felt heavier than Something Real but it's not really, it just addresses different topics (trigger warnings for sexual assault, drug/alcohol abuse, and discussions of eating disorders). All of these I think were handled extremely well.

There were many moments when I felt like I was about to cry in this book, sometimes sad-cry, sometimes happy/proud-cry.

This felt like a fantastic ending to this duology. I'm so glad we got one more book with Lexie, Chloe and Benny.
