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**Life in a pretty English village isn't always a bed of roses.**

Molly King learns this the hard way when her boyfriend returns newly engaged, and her childhood home is sold out from beneath her. Now she's heartbroken, homeless, and desperate to keep herself and her grandmother off the streets. But her troubles have only just begun.

Billionaire Jake Hennessy has vowed to never love again. His fiancée's mysterious death left him shattered, and now the media fallout has forced him into hiding. Little Appleby village was meant to be his escape, somewhere to heal and cement the final walls around his heart, but instead he finds dangerous temptation there in the shape of a golden beauty with sweet innocence in her smile.

But once bitten, now twice shy, Jake is determined to win this battle of feelings between him and Molly. He already owns her home, and now he's determined to have her... on his terms.

Molly though is determined to resist him. Because she knows, when Jake's done with her, he'll have demolished not just her home, but her tender heart too. Trouble is, he's just too damn irresistible.

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# From Reader Review Never Too Late for online ebook

## Christy B says

Cute story. Good characters. I had a little trouble with how severely Jake reacted toward Molly and her ex... if he had opened his eyes he could have seen what was really happening and could have realized that she was crazy about him. That said, Molly's back-and-forth on not just asking Jake about a couple different situations could have cleared things up as well. I love writing that makes me want to shake the characters cause I know it's really good! The ending was great and I loved that Molly was able to knock Jake off his high horse a little bit and bring him around to realizing what was actually going on.

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## Maria says

ARC review: What happens when everything you thought you was for certain in your life disappeared in 24 hrs. Molly thought her life was planned out. She would marry Brian who she'd love forever, and stay in her village for a quiet, simple existence. Except when said boyfriend comes home with a fiancée and the only home she has ever known is sold to a handsome stranger. I could identify with Molly's growth as a character and was definitely rooting for her to find it. The story is predictable, but entertaining and engaging. Would recommend to fans of English contemporary romance.

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## Cordelianne says

I read this book in a day, because I just could not stop reading.. I really enjoyed this book. The main characters, Molly and Jake were well developed and I enjoyed how their relationship progressed. The relationship between Molly and her grandmother was heartwarming as well. Near the end the story dragged a bit in my opinion, but apart from that I loved it! Molly was a bit insecure, but Jake brought out the best in her for sure.

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## Heather says

Molly lives in a small rural village of Appleby, where the rumor mill runs faster than the speed of light. She grew up in the village with her grandparents, as her parents had passed when she was just a toddler. Molly really hasn't had a desire to leave, she's stayed and helped her grandmother take care of the Barrowdene, where her grandmother has been the head housekeeper since she was 16 years old.

Jake live in London, he is buying the Barrowdene and plans to renovate it, bringing up to today's standards of a family home. This in itself causes Molly a great deal of distress because she doesn't want the character of the home to be lost. Jake agrees to let Molly have a say in the process since she's so well versed on the history of the home. But that's not his only reason for making that offer, he hopes to keep her close too and

to have a no strings attached relationship while he is there. He's love and lost once, he never wants to put himself in that place again.

Molly knows she's over her head but she just can't resist and given her last failed relationship she's ready to have some fun and let loose a little bit. The one problem, you can't help who you love. The heart knows what it wants even when the head knows it shouldn't.

The book is honestly a little on the slow side but I enjoyed the storyline. It will pull on you heart strings of emotions as well as having you say dumb girl on a few occasions. This was an easy read that I completed in one day. It's my first book by Alyssia Leon and I plan on continuing the series to see where she takes us next.

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### **Magali says**

I liked the story of these two characters who are attracted but are struggling with the fear to be hurt again, or to hurt someone. I find that the first part have maybe too much descriptions (because there are a lot of characters), but when everything is settle, there is more about the relation of the main characters.

The sweet Molly (and she thinks she's the boring Molly) discovers that the man she thought she loves (Brian) falls for another woman after 3 months living in London. But when he comes back with his fiancée, and each time that he is alone with Molly, he tries to kiss her. That's when she meets Jake, the new owner of an old propriety. He 's an architect but is famous because his ex girlfriend was a model and she committed suicide. He wants to escapes the paparazzi and he's immediately attracted to Molly. Just like her.

But he doesn't want to destroy her like he did with his ex (even if he isn't responsable of her death) and she doesn't want to be involve with a man with a womanizer reputation.

I voluntarily reviewed an Advance Reader Copy of this book

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### **Stox4story says**

When a book grabs me in the first chapter, I'm hooked into wanting to read it. When a book grabs me in the first few paragraphs, well then, it's a done deal... no way I want to put it down. That's what happened in Never Too Late. It started out heart wrenching. I began right away to form strong opinions of characters and began to 'take sides' and began wanting to see certain people get their 'comeuppance'.

I requested a 4-review copy as I love second change romances. This one did not disappoint. I must admit I began to detest Brian immediately and found Molly a little too naive. At times I asked myself just 'where is her pride'? However, little by little she quit being such a pushover.

This is a very good read. I kept wanting to turn the page and get a sneak peak of what lie ahead ... but I didn't allow myself to do that. I kept wanting to see if Brian, and even Jake, would ever 'get a grip. I especially wanted to see Brian have to eventually look himself in the mirror and see his choices were HIS choices and to quit blaming Molly for everything.

Both Molly and Jake were damaged people. Both had tragic events follow them from childhood on up and they both reacted differently to how to they handled life. It was interesting and gut wrenching at times 'watching' them grow. The book's title was spot on and the cover a perfect fit.

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### **Janet Taggart Baldwin says**

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Alyssia does a fantastic job as usual with this book! The town of Appleby is described so beautifully that you want to move into one of the little thatched cottages and enjoy the picturesque scenery. And find my own Jake Hennessey! Brian was such a piece of work as Molly's ex, I wanted him to get his come uppence and he did end up with what he deserves. Both Jake and Molly had pasts that had broken their hearts and had reasons to doubt true love but they handled it in different ways. Molly showed that she was definitely the stronger of the two but the way these two handle different situations made me shout at my kindle and want to throw it across the room! That is how vested you will get in their lives! And that also shows you the merits of a good writer. I love the other friends in the book, Damon and Lilayni, Sophie, Nate, Anna, Martin and Francine, and Nana. They all made us feel like family and I can't wait to read more of their stories in the following books! Cudos to a fantastic start to the Appleby series! 5 stars!!

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### **Sheila Lee says**

I will not restate the plot nor reveal any spoilers in this review.

What a wonderful gem! Never too Late is a book that has: romance, drama, adult sexual content and a HEA ending. Alyssia Leon has written a book with deep characters while also exposing their flaws. Both H and h are fighting their attraction, Jake because he refuses to love, and Molly because she doesn't want to be hurt. Yet somehow they find their attraction for each other bigger than their intentions. Never Too Late is a great read making you believe that love does conquer all!

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### **Emma says**

What a great love story. Molly and Jake: their story was full of anxiety, doubts, confusion, attraction and love. There were so many twists and turns in this story that it kept me reading from page one till the end. An excellent read, highly recommended. I voluntarily received an Advanced Readers copy of this book.

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### **R.K. Tejaswi says**

Wow! This book is really a amazing piece of work, completely overwhelming. I was unable to stop reading the book to do my other works. This book was smooth and steamy. I loved both Jake, the billionaire from London and Molly, a country girl at Appleby. Both are broken, both thought that they loved someone truly but when they two met, they were never too late to find the love for one another. Their fears, their misunderstandings, their insecurities, their doubts didn't destroy the love between though they had to come across these obstacles. I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of the book and I just loved it.

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### **Julie says**

When I first picked this book up and started reading, I honestly thought that it was a historical romance novel. Not sure if that is good or bad but this book is totally NOT a historical romance. I was super confused when one of the characters started talking about email and then I had to go back and reread the first part of the book and wonder if I had missed some flashing indicator that told me this book was taking place in the now.

I liked this book ... I thought the characters were good and I really liked the idea behind the story. That was all good. What wasn't all good was how wordy I thought this book was. I understand wanting to weave this story and the more details the better because that means everything was fleshed out. Got it. But this was beyond that. There was just too much. Too much dead time in the story because of all of these extra words and that brought my excitement for the story way down.

It was actually kind of sad. I LOVED the romance between Jake and Molly. I liked the push and pull that was going on between them and let's just be honest ... Jake was awesome. He was bossy and sexy and romantic and sweet and I just couldn't get enough of him. Molly was also great. But the words between them on the pages became oceans and then it was just too much for me to overcome.

The ending came as a bit of a surprise ... the rest of the book was strung along with all of these extra descriptions and words and then you get to the end of the book and it was very cut and dry and there was no beating around the bush for that last part! It was straight to the point almost as if one person edited everything in the book except the last few pages and another person did that part. It was weird! I wish the entire book was written as the last part was.

I liked the book, I just wish that it moved at a more steady pace so that it would keep my interest. Dang it. The characters were so great! I hate that it turned out like this.

*\* I received this novel in exchange for an honest review \**

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## **Yolanda says**

I received an ARC from the author for an honest review.

An absolute treat to read

This book was so addictive I just couldn't put it down the style of writing is fabulous very detailed and captivating that takes you right into the heart of the story. I had to stop and reflect a few times and think wow this author really has a great imagination. Once I started I could not put it down and read within a day. 325 pages and I wanted more lol I will be on the lookout for more in this series. It was just such a comfortable and pleasant read.

Molly and Jake story was so uplifting lots of pulling at heart strings and shouting at Jake without giving too much away, there is some drama that had me in awe and fixated on each turn of the page. Your heart just goes out to Molly, she has been through so much that you're cheering her on to fight for her dream and hoping that Jake too fights the dark cloud above him. Molly is just so sweet and a good kind of person you can't help but want the best for her.

The country rural setting is perfect and like in any small village everyone knows everyone and gossip travels at a super speed on the grape vine. I love the small town folk that group together feel of the story that joins together like family. I can also see some great stories coming up for Lilayni and Damon with Tom Ayers from the farm and Kitty from the stables and would love to know more about Baron Halstead from the Halstead estate. I love how Alyssia Leon has given a taste of other characters in this book that can lead on to their own stories I can't wait.

If you like contemporary romance this is the book for you.

Thank you Alyssia Leon for writing such a beautiful story and taking me on a great village journey.

5 stars as it really doesn't deserve anything less

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### **Suzanne Gall-perez says**

This is the first book that I have read by author Alyssia Leon. It was very well written. I fell in love with the village of Appleby and the cast of characters within. Molly is a soft, kind hearted woman who has been hurt by love. Jake is a billionaire playboy recovering from the loss of his fiancée. They are both struggling to move on in their lives. A chance encounter leaves them both questioning themselves and what they want. The author has created a story that will pull the reader in and leave them wanting more. Molly and Jake's relationship brings each of them face to face with their fears. I really enjoyed reading their journey to find love. The story is fast-paced, and full of moments that will make you laugh, cry, and yell. I read it cover-to-cover. I'm eager to read more from this author and I would recommend this book to anyone.

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### **vamsally says**

Beautifully crafted story of a romance between a sweet small town beauty and a jaded billionaire. The sparks fly when they meet and rest points to heat, romance, heartache and eventually a happy ending. Initially the story seemed little slow but I was dragged into it soon after the two characters meet. Although it starts out in a small town, it doesn't stop there. The story will keep making you turning pages. Looking forward to next book in the series. Voluntary and honest review after receiving ARC (advanced reader copy).

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### **Misty Sulouff says**

I instantly fell in love with Molly's character. She's a strong, determined woman who knows exactly what she wants in life. What she didn't count on was Jake coming into her life. Jake and Molly's story didn't happen instantly. She fell for him but he didn't want anything more than a fling due to his last relationship. I loved their story because it was real. There were ups and downs, not just happiness the whole time. I can't wait to read more of Alyssia's books. This is a book I definitely would recommend

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