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Jill Michaels prides herself on one thing: being independent. That is until her daughter gets into an elite school, and she needs money more than ever. It seems her fairy godmother—aka her deceased Grammy—has granted that wish in the form of one-fourth of her estate. The only catch? She must be married by her thirtieth birthday. In two months.

Aaron Collins is fresh out of the army and back in town to help his father's failing business. When he runs into Jill at a hotel where she's attending a single's mixer, he makes sure she doesn't make it past his room and into another guy's arms. When he hears about her predicament, he has a plan: they'll get married and keep it a secret. And maybe have a little sexy fun until he leaves town for his new job.

But letting go of the woman of his dreams may be harder than Aaron could have ever imagined.

Each book in the Snowpocalypse series is a standalone story that can be enjoyed out of order.

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Book #1 Landing the Air Marshal

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## Falling for the Fake Fiancé Details

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## From Reader Review Falling for the Fake Fiancé for online ebook

### Vicki says

Single mom Jill Michaels works hard to keep her daughter in a private school so that she's challenged and stays focused and out of trouble, but she has to work two jobs and rely on her mom and friends to help with childcare just to make ends meet. When her grandmother leaves a quarter of her estate to Jill, she hopes she will finally see an end to her money troubles, but there's a catch. She has to be married by her 30th birthday, which is only two months away.

Aaron Collins joined the military after high school and didn't look back, but ten years later he's back in town to help his dad wind down his construction business before joining his friend's security business in Washington D.C.

When the two run into each other again after all those years Jill is amazed at the man that Aaron turned into - and sparks fly. When Aaron proposes to help her out of her predicament, it seems like the perfect plan. A secret marriage, Jill gets her money, Aaron gets to spend time with Jill while he wraps up his dad's business. When he leaves town to take his job in D.C. they can both move on with their lives. But as the day grows closer for Aaron to leave for D.C., both begin to wonder how they're going to be able to move on.

While Falling for the Fake Fiancé has all of the steam we expect from Entangled, the relationship between Aaron and Jill is built on a friendship that was established in youth, and the emotions that grow through the storyline were more poignant and realistic because of the shared history between them. I was rooting for this couple from the start - and I was really looking forward to Jill realizing what an amazing guy Aaron had always been.

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### Amber Hughes says

Single mom Jill Michaels has recently lost her grandmother. At the reading of the will, she finds out that the only way to get her inheritance is if she marries before her 30th Birthday, which is only two months away. Jill can't believe her grandmother would do this to her, but she needs the money to keep paying for her daughter's private school. She's already working two jobs just to try to make ends meet. When her friend suggests going to a singles' mixer, she reluctantly agrees. What happens next is something she never saw coming...Aaron Collins.

Aaron & Jill were good friends and neighbors back in high school. She never looked at him in any other way than a friend, but when she runs into him at the hotel, Aaron is all grown up and she's definitely looking at him in a new light. Aaron has recently returned home from the Army and is helping his dad out with his business, one of the jobs being at the hotel to do some repairs. Aaron has always had a thing for Jill, but never acted on it. He left for the army right after high school, but has never forgotten about her. Seeing her again, even more beautiful than he remembered, he's not passing up a chance to spend the evening with her catching up. By the end of the evening, they both don't want the night to end. Both agreeing there can only be this one night together, they're going to make the most of it. Aaron is leaving soon to take a job in D.C. and Jill has her daughter to think about and how she's going to make things work, without getting the inheritance. But their one night together is more amazing than either of them could have imagined. Talk about smokin' hot chemistry!

Even though one night was all it was supposed to be, both can't get each other out of their minds. What's wrong with a little more fun before he leaves? When Aaron finds out about the stipulation in her grandmother's will, he wants to be there for Jill and help her out. Even though he's leaving in a just a short time, he wants to marry her so Jill and her daughter Emily will be taken care of. But real feelings get in the way and now Aaron doesn't know what to do. Will they be able to make this work or will complications get in the way, leaving Jill in jeopardy of losing the inheritance and her heart?

I really felt the chemistry between Jill & Aaron. I also loved that he wanted to be there for her and help her out. The interactions between Aaron & Jill's daughter Emily were very sweet too! A very enjoyable read! Jennifer Blackwood is an auto-read author for me.

\*I received an ARC from the publisher via NetGalley for an honest review\*

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### ♥ WishfulMiss ♥ says

#### *Make like the Nike slogan and Just Do It.*

Single mom Jill is stunned to learn her Grammy left her a sizable inheritance. The catch? She has to be married by her 30th birthday, which happens to be two measly months away!

If it was just herself Jill had to worry about, she would walk away from her Grammy's well intentioned meddling beyond the grave, but her seven year old daughter Emily could really benefit from the security this money could give her. But where to find a temporary husband?

Aaron's come back to town to help get his father's construction company back in the black and then he's shipping right back out to D.C. where his dream job is waiting. When he bumps into Jill and gets sucked into her Grammy's scheming, it doesn't take a lot to convince Aaron to play the knight in shining armor to the girl of his high school fantasies.

This was a sweet and sexy (emphasis on the sex part!) romance about two people with a history of friendship that finally turns into something more meaningful. I loved Aaron, he was a protective and caring guy, he really did go above and beyond for Jill and always had her best interest at heart. As for Jill, she was a capable mom who always put her daughter first. She deserved to find a guy who would always have her back and Aaron showed up right when she needed him the most.

I think the story would have been a bigger hit with me if the sexy times could have taken a back seat while a deeper emotional bond developed. It just felt like their only real connection was how hot they were between the sheets. Most of their encounters happened with their clothes off. I wanted to enjoy more of their getting to know each other phase. The part where they date and flirt and tease each other with their simmering sexual tension. At times I felt like there was too much sex.

Still this was a cute story and it kept me hooked from the start. If you like the friends to lovers trope with a sassy h and a hunky H, you'll find it easy to fall for Aaron right alongside Jill :)

\* \* \* *ARC provided for an honest review* \* \* \*

### SAFETY

(view spoiler)

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## **Carol says**

3.5 stars.

ARC received in exchange for an honest review.

Jennifer Blackwood's writing is always a mixture of fun and sassiness. This one was a sweet heartwarming story as well.

It was a really enjoyable read with mostly very lovable characters (think Jill's mother) and it had just the right amount of sexual chemistry and interesting storyline to entertain me and hold my interest.

I just wish that the book was a little longer as I would have liked to know more about Jill and Aaron but the character development was good for the length of this story.

I am always happy to read a Jennifer Blackwood novel and if you enjoy this I suggest trying "The Rule Book" next as I think that might just be my favorite.

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## **Maria says**

"Received an Advance Reader Copy in exchange for a fair review"

Jennifer Blackwood is a new author for me and this is such a good story. It's funny, sweet and sexy. I loved how the author mixes tenderness with sex and the way these childhood friends (Aaron and Jill) turned to lovers.

The hero's transition from a lanky boy to a gorgeous man is great to watch. Aaron is a wonderful hero, honorable, solid and sexy. His tentative interactions with Emily, Jill's daughter, are sweet.

I also liked the character of Jill, the single mom and professional worrier, a woman with a self-deprecating humor that doesn't have a clue about car maintenance.

The side characters are also interesting and three dimensional. I was a little confounded about the reason for the stipulation on Grammy's will.

I really liked Jennifer Blackwood's writing style and her humor and I'll continue looking for her books.

I'm grateful to the publisher, Entangled Publishing, and NetGalley for providing a free copy.

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### **Elizabeth Neal says**

Jill, a single mom of a seven-year-old daughter, Emily, recently lost her grandmother, but it seems Grammy still has plans for her. Yes, she left Jill something in the will, however, there's a catch. Jill has to be married before her thirtieth birthday...in two months.

With some not so subtle prodding from Kate, one of Jill's best friend, they, along with Mia, another best friend, attend a singles event. Kate is sure Jill can find a solution there, and when an old classmate, Aaron, makes an appearance, Jill finds herself caught up in Kate's matchmaking.

Aaron has recently left the Army and is helping his dad, who is ill, complete a construction job prior to starting his own new one in D.C. with a private security company. When he sees Kate and learns Jill is there too, he doesn't hesitate to take a chance to spend more time with Jill. They may have run in different crowds in high school, Aaron being a jock yet too shy to ask girls out, including his crush, Jill, but as they were neighbors, they were always close friends.

They haven't seen each other in years, Aaron enlisting right after graduation and his visits home never coinciding with Jill being there. But right now, they are definitely appreciating the changes time has made, both having difficulty not visually, and mentally, devouring the other. Aaron doesn't understand why a woman as gorgeous and funny as Jill is attending a social event to find a date. A wonderful time over dinner, complete with intense chemistry, leads to them agreeing to enjoy the night completely. But their one night turns into more due to the unexpected feelings their encounter evoked, the magic they created together, and their willingness to continue their adventures until Aaron leaves. When he learns of her situation though, he begins seeing the bigger picture, and not liking the thought of her with another man, surprises himself when he blurts out the obvious solution.

“I want to do this for you, Jill. Let me take care of you.” - Aaron

What happens when their feelings become real, more than a friendship? Can they keep their marriage a secret, aside from telling the lawyer? How will their families react to the news? Will they go through with the plan? Or will Jill let Aaron go, believing it's the best decision for him? Will Aaron fight for Jill? What about his job? Is the marriage still only temporary, or are they looking at forever?

One-click now and follow along as two long-time friends, though they haven't seen each other in year, make an arrangement, a win-win agreement, that becomes so much more. I'm looking forward to stories for Kate and Mia, as well as Sam, Aaron's friend. I'm hoping Sam finds happiness with one of Jill's friends.

\*\*I voluntarily reviewed an Advanced Reader Copy of this book.\*\*

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### **Claire - The Coffeeholic Bookworm says**

This is oohhh la la.. Oh yeah, that's what I said after reading this book and Jennifer Blackwell is just to be blamed. Although we've all heard about pretend lovers falling in love, might sound cliche and all that, but I

still went for this story and I loved it! I'd never settle for just one night with Aaron Collins if I were Jill Michaels. Ha!

Single mom Jill was still in mourning over the loss of her dear grandmother. But Grammy seemed to be still in control of Jill's love life when she decided to bequeath 1/4 of her estate, provided that Jill get married before she reached her 30th birthday. I bet Grammy was rolling in her grave, laughing and dancing when her will was read. Her timing was impeccable, too, as Jill's daughter successfully got listed to an elite school, and whether she liked it or not, she really had to find that perfect fiance before her inheritance got poof!

Fortunately, her old schoolmate slash next door neighbor Aaron Collins was back in town after his military services. When her friends Mia and Kate set her up with Mr. Hottie, it was just a matter of time before they left each other breathless with kisses. Dayum!

A secret wedding was supposedly the plan, but everything changed when the matters got out of hand. Fake fiances or not, this whirlwind romance got me and had me falling in love all over again.

I remember reading one of Jennifer Blackwell's books a couple of years ago and admired her writing. Now, after devouring this latest book in less than a day, I can say I admire and adore her even more. Blackwell had me giggling and gawking and getting googly-eyed most of the time. And yes, sighing and covering my mouth and closing my eyes a few times, trying to suppress my grin when reading those steamy scenes. More than steamy actually – it was fiery!

Overall, Aaron and Jill had that explosive chemistry that I like in a story. I expect much more sexy stories from Miss Blackwell soon and I'm sure she won't disappoint.

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### **Cátia says**

\*I was provided a copy by the publisher in exchange for an honest review

A few months ago I read the first book in this series, *Landing the Air Marshal*, and I really enjoyed it. I prefer Jennifer Blackwood's new adult books but since I liked it I wanted to read the second book, especially because I knew it would be about Gage's sister. This will be a super short review since it was a super short book but I can tell you I enjoyed this book even if there were a few things I didn't like.

First of all, I found the plot kind of weird. As much as I know Jill's grandma wanted the best for her I highly doubt she would put in her will that her granddaughter only had 2 months to get married if she wanted her inheritance. It was just too weird for me. If it had been 6 months it would be kind of okay (but not really) but 2 months?? Especially knowing how badly Jill needed the money?? I couldn't buy it. The time span was my biggest problem because 2 months it's not enough even for a relationship to develop. However, I did like that Jennifer Blackwood wrote about two characters who already knew each other since they were little. For the time span it worked.

I really enjoyed the Jill and Aaron. They were amazing and had a great chemistry. I just think it would have been better if the book was a little longer because some things happened too fast. However, the character I loved more was Jill's daughter. She was such a cutie. It would have been so cool if I could have seen more of her (and more of her with Aaron... even if the epilogue did wonders in that subject).

This book is super fast to read and flew nicely. Once again I really liked Jennifer Blackwood's writing style and I really liked that this book had a dual POV because it wouldn't have been the same if it didn't have Gage's perspective on the whole thing.

Overall, this was an enjoyable book. I really liked it but for me it was something it would have worked better as a full length novel and not a novella and if the time span was longer too. I still liked it and if you're in need of a romance you should give this one a try because you won't get disappointed. Also, read Jennifer Blackwood's books if you are in need of romance because her books are really good.

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### **Irene says**

4 stars

Falling for the Fake Fiance by Jennifer Blackwood was a very entertaining read.

From the first few pages I was hooked, I enjoyed watching Jill and Aaron interact. They were likable characters that amused me and entertained me with their story.

They had a strong attraction and their chemistry was off the charts!

Overall, Falling for the Fake Fiance is a well written, steamy and heartwarming read and a very good addition to the Snowpocalypse series.

I'm really enjoying author Jennifer Blackwood's writing, she gives her readers relatable characters, storylines that will entertain you and leave you full of happy feels.

I highly recommend her work :)

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### **Nissa | Of Pens and Pages Book Blog says**

**3.5 stars!**

Review at Of Pens and Pages.

*Falling for the Fake Fiancé* is a quick, steamy, and fun read with a swoon-worthy hero and a strong, independent heroine.

**When Jill Michaels' grandmother leaves her a quarter of her estate, it is with a caveat—marry before she turns thirty or the funds will go to her grandmother's choice of charity.** She could really use the money to pay for her daughter's schooling, but she doesn't have a boyfriend, let alone a fiancé, and her thirtieth birthday is looming closer.

**Aaron Collins is back from the army and is in town to temporarily help his dad with his failing business.** He plans to leave for D.C. to work. When he bumps into his old neighbor and childhood crush, Jill, they catch up, Jill sees what a man he's become, and the two end up spending the night together. Soon, what was meant to be a one-night rendezvous turns into more when both realize they want more than one night.

**When Aaron finds out about the stipulation and Jill's financial troubles, he offers a marriage of convenience.** They can secretly get married, claim the inheritance, and divorce a few months later. Then Aaron can go to D.C. to work with his army buddy. No harm done.

But all of their plans get shot to the ground when people who aren't supposed to know find out about an engagement, and feelings are growing stronger. Now they're swamped with wedding plans and thoughts about what they're really doing and how they're going to move on.

**The narrative is engaging, and you can really see the author's sense of humor throughout the story.** That's what made me fall in love with her previous writings. I've only read *The Rule Breakers* series, but this book is hotter and steamier.

**Aaron is definitely a swoon-worthy hero.** He's sexy and great in bed, but he's also thoughtful, sweet, and caring. He's always had feelings for Jill, and it's easy to see how deep those feelings run inside of him. **I also loved Jill and her daughter, Emily.** They have a wonderful dynamic, and Jill is obviously trying her best to raise her daughter on her own. Jill is smart, independent and strong, even though her mother doesn't always think so.

**I only hoped the story could have been longer** so that we could see more interaction between Jill and Aaron outside the bed. Not that I'm complaining about the sexy times. LOL. I just hoped to see more interaction between them that would not only show tension but also their chemistry and budding relationship.

**Tropes:** Marriage of Convenience, Fake Relationship, Childhood Friends, Military Hero, Single Mom

**POV:** Dual, First POV

**Standalone:** Yes

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**Nerdy Dirty & Flirty says**

Another really good contemporary romance by this author. I really liked the first book in this series and this book was just as good. It was short but had so many good elements.

Jennifer Blackwood sure knows how to write a leading man that a girl can't help falling in love with. Aaron was the newest but by no means the least on the list. From his very first introduction to the storyline he showed signs of being fantastic. The more I read, the more I loved. He was just so supportive and I definitely have a soft spot for a guy who can hold a torch for a woman for years but still constantly put her best interest and happiness first. Even ahead of what he wants.

Jill, Emily, and Jill's best friends were all excellent characters as well. Jill's mom wasn't exactly my favorite person. She had some decent moments, but more bad then good for me. The plot and then the background for everyone added some really good layers that added to the overall enjoyment of the story.

This has definitely become an author that I constantly enjoy her work and I look forward to reading more in future.

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### **Jennifer Blackwood says**

Thank you so much for reading my dirty friends to lovers story <3

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### **Alison says**

Jill Michaels is a single mother, her daughter Emily's father having taken her money, left her high and dry and then died in a car accident. Despite her mother and grandmother having plenty of money, she has to work two jobs in order to keep her clever daughter at her fancy private school. After her grandmother dies, she learns that she could inherit one quarter of her Grammy's estate IF she is married by her 30th birthday - only two months away!

After a disastrous speed dating evening with her friends (and don't get me started on those frenemies), Jill thinks she is meeting one of her friends in her hotel room, instead she meets her former next door neighbour and high school friend Aaron Collins. Aaron is back in South Carolina to help out his Dad (who still lives next door to Jill's mother) with his handyman business, but is itching to get back to a private security job with one of his ex-Marine friends.

I have to confess I misread the blurb for this book and was expecting more of the falling in love to take place AFTER they decided to secretly get married in order for Jill to get her inheritance, whereas much of the novella takes place before Jill and Aaron agree to have a sham marriage.

Again, this is an Entangled Brazen imprint so the reader should expect a short, steamy novella. You definitely get this but I think I would have preferred less sex in public(ish) places and a bit more plot.

I have only read one book by Jennifer Blackwood previously which was The Rule Book, I preferred that book, it had more depth and humour. But of course it was for a different branch of Entangled.

I received a free copy of this book from the publisher via NetGalley in return for an honest review.

Bumped for release.

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### **Umaiya ?A Far Off Memory? says**

Short and Sweet.

I really liked Aaron. He seemed like a rounded guy and I think even I would be up for marrying him and I'm not big on marriage.

**My** marriage, not in general. It's okay for everybody else.

I don't know what it was about Jill but she kinda rubbed me wrong, at least the first quarter/half of the book. Maybe it was cause she and Mia and Kate all seemed so peppy for 29 year olds or single moms. \*shrugs\*

And though we didn't get to see much of her, Emily was a gem and I'd be super proud were she mine. :)

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### **Stacee says**

I am a huge fan of the fake marriage plot line, so I was pretty much sold from the title.

I really liked Jill and Aaron. They're both good people with amazing chemistry and every conversation is filled with banter. I loved that they were childhood friends and had a history between them.

Of course there's the inevitable push away, but the time apart wasn't too long and the ending was perfection. My only complaint was that I didn't realize it was a novella and could have easily read 100 more pages.

\*\*Huge thanks to Entangled for providing the arc free of charge\*\*

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