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Alex is a bad boy and he knows it. So when he makes a bet with his friends to lure Brittany into his life, he thinks nothing of it. I really only read this book because so many people on Goodreads seemed to love it. Otherwise I would have never in a million years picked it up. Reading the back of the book in the bookstore, I had my doubts about it but I still wanted to give it a try. I can easily sum up the problems I had with this book: The cover is cheesy, the story is cheesy, the writing is cheesy.

Now of course the cover wasn't an actual factor in my decision to give this book a 1 star rating but I'd like to say that, had I looked at more closely before buying it, I would've been able to at least expect a cheesy book. The story is what bothered me most because it's obviously been done a million times before. I generally wouldn't mind if it had been a good version of the "good girl falls for bad boy"-type story. The whole Latino Blood gang stuff and the rich people factor just made this book more ridiculous because that way they also added the "poor guy falls for rich girl" and the "oh no my parents will disapprove"-drama. So that was pretty stupid. I also hated the random Spanish that was used in every single sentence in all of the Alex chapters. It was just overused and made me cringe a lot. I sometimes also didn't really understand what he meant and they never really explained it but I figured it's not actually important to the story so I stopped trying to understand it eventually.

I don't wanna get too into it but the Latino Blood gang thing had me rolling my eyes every single time they mentioned it. As soon as it was mentioned, I knew this book would not be one I'd end up liking. The writing was also completely cheesy. I'm really sorry for using that word so much by the way but I can't find any other one that fits. Instead of showing us how the character feels, the author kept talking about it. It got to the point where I got angry as soon as a character mentioned feelings in any kind of way. It drove me crazy.

Super cringeworthy. Speaking of cringeworthy moments, there were a lot of those in this book. I didn't like it at all and had to force myself to keep reading after chapter 5. View all 35 comments. Shelves: series , favourites , reviewed , owned-read , young-adult. View all 58 comments. I read this a while ago and I always meant to review but never ended up getting around to it until now. I have a few things I want to say, the first that it wasn't entirely unenjoyable, the low rating reflects several things but I want to point out that I understand why so many people love this book and I think it would be better for the majority to read it themselves and make their own minds up - I know that I am again in the minority. It's quite a nice Romeo and Juliet type of forbidden rom I read this a while ago and I always meant to review but never ended up getting around to it until now.

It's quite a nice Romeo and Juliet type of forbidden romance. Alex Fuentes is an outsider, a gang member, and his kind and Britney's do not mix. Britney is the most popular girl in school, very pretty and a cheerleader of course , it always seems in these types of scenarios it's only a matter of time before she gets fed up with her squeaky clean world and falls for a bad boy - which is what happens. But the whole thing is such a cliché. A cheerleader and a bad boy The story is very predictable and therefore quite dull, despite the fact that there is definitely chemistry built up in the book. There are some fairly hot, if not very descriptive, sex scenes that set the book apart from all the other clichéd teen romances - this I liked. But it still didn't make up for the extreme lack of originality on the author's part. There was also the usual and annoying displays of self-doubt and insecurities that seem to go hand in hand with romance novels.

I know it'd be no fun if they got together in chapter one, but why do they both always have to start questioning themselves. Especially seeing as sometimes it's blatantly obvious that the other person likes them, they couldn't be sending off much stronger signals if they came out with a banner saying "I'm into you". Are we really expected to feel sorry for Britney when she's checking herself out in a mirror and complaining about her faults?

This is a girl who we are repeatedly told is Barbie come to life: perfect figure, perfect skin, hair, teeth The thing is But I'm tired of Ms good girl cheerleader meets mr bad boy gang member. That's why my rating is "it's ok", I wouldn't go as far as to say I actually liked it. View all 24 comments. Jul 17, Danielle The Book Huntress Back to the Books rated it it was amazing Recommends it for: Fans of a good starcrossed romance, A reader who is wanting to try young adult fiction. Shelves: interracial-romance , young-adult , heroine-i-adore , angsty-read , favourites , owned-copy , hero-to-die-for , opposites-attract , starcrossed , stellar-love-story.

First of all, I want to thank my Goodreads friend, Shannon, for recommending this wonderful book. My life was so enriched by the reading of it. I also want to thank Ms. Simone Elkeles for putting fingers to keyboard and bringing this incredible story of the love between Alex and Brittany to life. Life is cruel and harsh, and we all wear armor to protect ourselves against the pain of loss and the hardships we face. In Perfect Chemistry, we see two very different people who have a kindred soul. The First of all, I want to thank my Goodreads friend, Shannon, for recommending this wonderful book. They are both walking through life wearing protection and disguises for their survival. One of the most illuminating and fascinating parts of this story is when these two reluctant chemistry partners are asked to tell the class a little bit about each other. What they say represents what the two of them want the world to see about themselves, even if that's not who they want to be.

Alex is a tough gangbanger, macho and very appealing Latino young man. He has pretty much had to join the Latino Bloods gang because his family and his own life would be in jeopardy otherwise. So far, he has managed to stay out of trouble with the law, and to avoid crossing the line and killing and selling drugs. But the time is coming where he may not be able to prevent that transition. He sees Brittany and she is all he ever wanted but couldn't have. He tells himself that she's just a blond princess type, no substance, but he soon finds out that is far from the case. I fell head over heels for Alex.

He was not perfect, but even his imperfections endeared him to me. Under the scary, macho gang facade, he is a very perceptive, intelligent, and loving person. His caring nature is evident in how he treats his brothers and his mother, and even his friend Paco, and also how he treats Brittany, despite the teasing and sexual innuendoes. He comes off as being hardcore, but his heart is very good. I have to say that he was a very sexy guy. I was surprised at how much charisma this eighteen year-old kid was. I could imagine this drop dead gorgeous guy with black hair and dark eyes, a seductive smile, and a hard-body, riding his motorcycle. I am not big on gangs or the urban lifestyle, but this was so much a part of him, that it didn't lessen his appeal at all. I have a deep appreciation for Mexican culture, and I feel that Ms. Elkeles showed this in a manner that did it justice, adding to the depth and the characterization of Alex and flavoring the life he lives. Gosh, I cannot tell you how much I adored Alex.

He made some bad choices, but also suffered for things beyond his control, and my heart ached to see what he had to go through. But deep down, I never doubted that he had a good head on his shoulders and he would end up doing the right thing in the end. I wanted for him to get out of that destructive lifestyle, and I was holding my breath hoping that he did. I loved Brittany as well. She was a very three-dimensional character, even from the beginning. She might seem like the girl that I would avoid like the plague in high school, one of the shallow 'beautiful people,' but she had a really good heart, and was a very loving person. She was under tremendous stress trying to keep things together and maintain a perfect facade that was getting harder and harder to keep up. Her homelife was very difficult, with her hypercritical mother who was on the edge of emotional collapse, and her father who spent more time at work and thinking about work than interacting with his family.

She is weighted down by her family's enormous expectations to always be perfect and to represent them well. Her steadfast love for her disabled, mentally-challenged sister really opened my heart to her, from the first page of the book. Shelley was very important to Brittany, although even her boyfriend was uncomfortable being around her. So she didn't let people come to her life or talk about Shelley. Not out of embarrassment, but because of the fact that Shelley was a private, personal part of her life that others didn't understand or know how to deal with. It meant a lot when she introduced Alex to Shelley and he hit it off with her right away. Like Alex, Brittany impressed me as a very level-headed, mature for her age person. I really appreciated how she was able to look past Alex's scary gang facade and see the warm, loving boy inside.

She inspired Alex to want to strive and to be the person he was meant to be. This book really teaches a lesson about judging a book by its cover. Brittany would be the kind of girl that would be envied by many. But the truth is, her life was very difficult, despite living in a big, beautiful house, driving an expensive car, and wearing designer clothes.

Being the captain of the pom-pom team and dating the head quarterback isn't all it's cracked up to be, and Brittany knows this first hand. And it's clear that she would willingly give that up without any regrets to have a true love, even with someone so different from her as Alex. However, the fear of what will happen to Shelley if she lets go, keeps her on the narrow path that has been given to her to walk. It is wonderful when Brittany decides to go where her heart leads her, although she does have to deal with some anguish and heartbreak along the way. This couple is one of my favorite couples of all times. That's saying something for this serious romance fan. I never thought I could feel that way about a couple in a young adult book, but I believe Twilight did open the door for me to young adult romance, and I am very glad about this.

Alex and Brittany meet each other's needs in every way. They had blistering sexual chemistry between them, yet Ms. Elkeles wrote this book in such a way that I didn't feel conflicted about reading these teens expressing themselves sexually. You could see that every encounter came from a deep connection on a mental, emotional, and spiritual level. I loved how they saw each other clearly in a way that no one else did. That is what soulmates should do for each other. The cast of secondary characters added to the flavor and the depth of this beautiful story.

Some of the people in both Alex and Brittany's life are not good for them, and do much to hinder their growth, but people like Paco, Alex's best friend, Isabel, a childhood friend of Alex who becomes Brittany's friend, Ms. Peterson, and Sierra, Brittany's friend, do their part to help Alex and Brittany on the journey to self-discovery and finding a future together. Peterson, their chemistry teacher, was the kind of educator that we need more of. She works hard to inspire her students, and didn't give up on Alex and write him off as just another Mexican gangbanger who was going to end up dead or in prison. This book has some parts that were hard to read, but they needed to be there, because it is a story about a young man who is surrounded by violence and crime on a daily basis. There had to be some of this in the book, or it would have lacked authenticity.

Fortunately, this does not detract from the story, but helps you to see what Alex is dealing with, and to respect him for the choices he makes to have a better future. The climax of this book will have your heart in your throat, and tears welling up in your eyes. But the way this book ends gives the reader so much hope and joy. It's truly a perfect ending to this book. I could go on and on about how wonderful Perfect Chemistry is, but I will end by saying, if you read one young adult book, please put this on the list to consider.

You won't come out of this book without having your heart touched. View all 21 comments. Feb 20, Nicole rated it did not like it. This review has been hidden because it contains spoilers. To view it, click here. While I appreciate Simone Elkeles attempt to write a story with a lovely "moral" I can't help but point out that there aren't any in this book. I don't support the explicit language and although I know by my daily junior-high life that teens actually talk like this, and 10 times worse, why encourage cursing? Is not the ultimate goal for every adult, and every teenager besides, to set the foundation for positive, sophisticated, and well-mannered demeanors? And the fact that Brittany and Alex had While I appreciate Simone Elkeles attempt to write a story with a lovely "moral" I can't help but point out that there aren't any in this book.

Only a small percentage of teens actually end up staying together after high school and on to college much less get betrothed. This only creates a fantasy for teens that if you have sex with your partner they will never forget you, go crazy about, track you down and then you live a happily ever after with them. And this is not even mentioning the violence and alcohol abuse used in the plot line. What is my advice to Simone Elkeles? Next time you write a novel, please consider whose moral compass you might contribute to destroying. View all 52 comments. Oct 03, Jo rated it liked it. Maybe I am a girl after all. High Points. Pom squad. Science projects. Leather jackets. Hand warmers...and sex. Low Points. Why are they needed? Books, as a rule, are better just left with an ambiguous ending. We like to get our own way. We like to give our beloved characters a happy ending. We like to give our most hated characters a quick shove off a cliff. Most epilogues force characters into ridiculous situations that are either twee, implausible or just so sickly sweet you just want to throw not the book out of the window, but yourself.

This epilogue was one of them. I was half expecting Albus Severus Potter to be chilling out in the back of that classroom as they all come up with the cure for the common cold. If not... Alex just got a whole lot more interesting. Oh, I loved Brittany. But unfortunately my chemistry lessons contained more old, wooden desks that put ladders in your tights when you get near to them rather than sexy Mexicano lovers that put ladders in your tights when you get near to them. But you were lovely and sweet and caring and a bit of a saucy minx when you wanted to be. Car garages, eh? Alright, Alejandro. But I like to say it... and then sing it.

OK, but can it help me escape those little nuggets of wisdom? Theme Tune. And I just think this entire album is genius. AND this song is before Mr Banks gets dumped unceremoniously, goes to prison and then kills someone in self-defence and everything is still lovely and cute and sexysexy. Sure, they could be soulmates eventually... but I wanted more oomph. Sadness Scale. I wanted this book to be sadder and all the elements were there but, like I said before, the pacing kind of prevented it. It seemed the truly sad and distressing moments were kind of just brushed over.

Especially the bit at the end! Recommended For: People who are looking for a slightly predictable yet still fun romance book. People who think garages are for sexytime. People who wish their driving instructor was a boy with a leather jacket although a lovely Welshman with a ton of patience at me squealing whenever a sheep got too close to the dry stone walls that lined the windy and icy roads of Llanberis would always be my second choice.

People who wish their teenage rebellion involved a sexy boy on a motorbike. People who use delicious baked treats to describe their mental states. You can read this review and lots of other exciting stuff on my blog here. View all 18 comments. Sep 03, Jasmin rated it it was amazing Recommends it for: Every slightly older than average YA reader. Shelves: romance, reviewed-by-me, teen, young-adult, fiction, five-stars, must-read-series, contemporary-romance, contemporary. Class, silence please. I am your teacher for today. What happens if you add a weak acid with a conjugate base? Forget my blubbling silly chemistry. How bout this formula below? What happens if you add this hot Latino hunk plus this blonde cheerleader [image error]? But really, what is perfect chemistry? I'm not a master of the subject, but after reading this, I could say that perfect chemistry isn't perfect at all.

Perfect chemistry isn't shared by two people who are too alike that they never ever have a spat. It isn't shared by two people who are too different that they never ever have something to agree about. It's actually something two people have, that despite the differences that attract them and the same feathers that make them flock together, that despite all the perfect moments, the incomplete moments still has the ability to feel perfect. Perfect, maybe not in a good way, but rather something that still makes them feel complete, just like how a puzzle pieces fit. But these things are better to be felt than read about. She has the perfect face, the perfect hair, the perfect pair of breasts, the perfect boyfriend. But her life is far from perfect.

Her parents are only there to mandate rules on how to employ being perfect while hiding her retarded big sister at home. Don't get me wrong. Brittany isn't just another bitch in high school. She's the cheerleader with a heart, with too much love for her sister. Alejandro Fuentes, Alex for short, is the perfect way to make a girl sin. He's hot and has biceps, triceps and all sort of eps but he's in the Latino Blood gang.

He's Mr. Tough Guy. But behind it all, is a gangbanger with a heart, with too much love for his family. See, both of them have hearts. But they couldn't possibly suit. Brittany's from the upper crust of society, while Alex is from the slums. So how could they ever have perfect chemistry between them? As I said, I'm no master on the subject. But Alex and Brittany just work good together. Starting from Brittany almost running down Alex with her car, to being Chemistry partners, they end up getting there and having perfect chemistry. But I'm not saying the road towards getting there was easy. The track they might have chosen might be the one less traveled but it's all worth it. Simon Elkeles makes it worth it. For this is a story that isn't full of stuff that sounds too good to be true. This is a story that feels so real that it's so beautiful. And btw, who wouldn't want to find someone they could share perfect chemistry with?

It wasn't just a mushy teen romance book but also dealt with more serious issues. The character development was flawless and I'm so happy I read this book! View all 3 comments. Jun 07, Julie Kagawa rated it it was amazing. I adore this book. This is not a genre I read often. The genres I read often include dragons, faeries, werewolves I've sworn off vampires for awhile, wizards, magic, flying carpets, kings, queens, and talking pink rabbits.

In other words, I'm a big fantasy buff. And was so intrigued and amused, I had to go buy it. I could give a summary, but the trailer does a much better job, so all I'll say is th I adore this book. I could give a summary, but the trailer does a much better job, so all I'll say is that it was amazing. I thought I would despise the female lead, Brittney, but from the first chapter, she shows she's not the stuck-up ditz I thought she'd be and I really connected with her. Alex, ah Alex. I always had a thing for stoic bad-boys with tragic pasts. And, what can I say, I'm a hopeless romantic after all. The chemistry pun intended between them was intense, and made me melt into a big happy puddle of goo.

So to summarize: Story: A. A classic Romeo and Juliet story, only with gangs and cheerleaders. I've read a lot of YA where I couldn't stand the protag, especially if it's a female. Call me old fashioned, but being rude and condescending does not come off as "snarky" or "tough," just smack-worthy. Alex and Brittney never got to the point where I wanted to slap them. They both acted like real, relatable teenagers, each with their own set of problems that they were dealing with in their own way.

There were some real sweet and touching scenes, but not too corny. I thought the narrators did a wonderful job, and Blas Kistic had a very sexy accent, but I did find that he sounded older than 18, well at least that way I didn't?? I love this book, and this series. However, I disliked how the woman, Roxanne Hernandez, read Brittany's part. She made her sound more whiny and more like an airhead than she needed to be.

Depending on how the book is read, its easy to change the voice of a character, and how they're perceived. Regardless of that fact, the book is very good and definitely worth it. Looking for a dark, non-abusive romance? This is definitely the book for you. There were a couple plot twists, that could possibly be seen as obvious but interesting nonetheless. What made the experience of listening to Perfect Chemistry the most enjoyable? I liked how real they seemed. The accents and the whiny teenage girls were pretty accurate. Who was your favorite character and why? Paco was

one of my favorite characters, he was loyal and he made me laugh out loud several times. I didn't like how whiny Roxanne made Brit if I'm being honest. I think it fit her character but it was honestly annoying at times. Was this a book you wanted to listen to all in one sitting? At times yes. I loved this book and wanted to see what Audible was all about.

This book went back and forth between 2 protagonist in the story and the narrators did a great job, but if they would have interacted with each other in the chapters it would have been really great. Each narrator changed their voice to match the other protagonist which I did not like. I was completely hooked to the storyline and can picture every detail. I love this series so much, it's definitely top 3 for me. The story is so interesting, I love interracial romance and bad boy characters and this is so well written. Brittany and Alex captivate you, they have so much depth and are very real. They both appear a certain way on the surface, but are totally different inside. They also have friends who care about them and friends who betray them. The romance is well paced, starts out with mutual attraction but they don't like the other, but as they see into each other's worlds, the attraction turns into love.

I didn't really like the audiobook, The woman did a terrible male voice when she was imitating Alex or any other guy. The man sounded too old for a high school kid and just didn't fit Alex's gang member persona. I highly recommend reading the physical for this. Fun, quick, great read! Read it in college and I felt like I needed a good refresher for a weekend. Totally worth it! Perfect Chemistry. Narrated by: Roxanne Hernandez, Blas Kistic. Series: Perfect Chemistry, Book 1. Length: 9 hrs and 44 mins. Add to Cart failed. Please try again later. Add to Wish List failed.

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