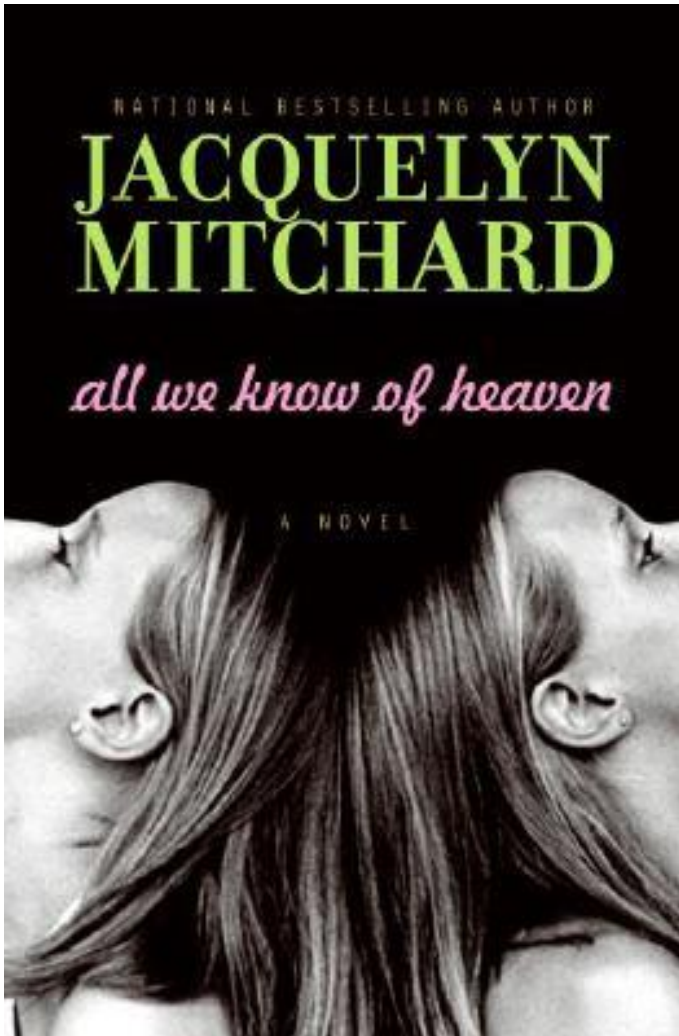

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All We Know of Heaven



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Description

Bridget Flannery and Maureen O'Malley have been BFFs since forever. Then a brief moment of inattention on an icy road leaves one girl dead and the other in a coma, battered beyond recognition. Family and friends mourn one friend's loss and pray for the other's recovery. Then the doctors discover they have made a terrible mistake. The girl who lived is the one who everyone thought had died.

Based on a true case of mistaken identity, *All We Know of Heaven* is a universal story that no one can read unmoved: a drama of ordinary people caught up in an unimaginable tragedy and of the healing power of hope and love.

Insightful reviews

Ginger: After reading the description of this book, I was torn between wanting to read it and passing it up. The main reason why I sort of wanted to pass is because I have a daughter and can not imagine outliving her. On the other hand, this book sounded so intriguing, I just had to read it. This is one of those books where it makes the reader think, "There's someone out there who has it worse than I do".

I cannot even begin to imagine what it would be like to have a child involved in a horrific traffic accident, have her die at the hospital, and bury her, only to find out the hospital made an honest mistake and you've buried your child's best friend instead and your child is actually in a coma (but ALIVE!). Can you imagine being the other set of parents, sitting at a your child's bedside, your child broken & bruised and barely recognizable due to injuries?? Praying & hoping they will wake up & heal, only to find out (a month or two later) upon closer inspection that it's not your child after all?? That's exactly what happened in this novel. Looking at it from the other side (victim's POV), here again, I cannot imagine the emotions my friends & parents would feel. Thinking one friend is buried and gone, only to find out it was the OTHER friend. And my best friend's parents?? Would they be happy for me or hate me?? This is all addressed as we follow both sets of parents and the surviving girl's progress on this long road painful road to healing (both physically & emotionally).

I actually felt every emotion the characters were feeling. I felt the grief, the joy, the bewilderment, everything!

Ms. Mitchard has a way of drawing her readers in and not letting go. In this novel, she grabs the reader's attention and by the end, she has you asking yourself questions about a situation in which you hope this NEVER happens to you or anyone you know. I recommend this book to anyone who wants to feel, literally, every emotion in the spectrum.

Why 5 stars?? Because any author who makes you "feel", think and question everything you know deserves 5 stars, if not more.

Katiescupp: All We Know of Heaven is an amazing book. In the book two best friends are driving there is a car crash one dies one lives, but they mistook the identity of the one who died so after a funeral and one family mourns they have to go through it all again. There have been many books written about the same thing but this one really shows how a family would deal with it and how the loved ones are left behind to pick up the pieces.

Heather: My last Mitchard - the least annoying by far, but still. There was so much potential to the story of mistaken identity about which of two best friends survived a car wreck in a coma and which one died, yet so much of this book was wasted on defending cheerleading as a sport and having the stereotype mean girl drama... this would've been a fascinating book in a better author's hands. In this case, mildly entertaining is about the best I could muster.

(At least, unlike the previous few of her books, I only had to flip back a page a few times to figure out if I'd missed a page while turning since she is so prone to jumping wildly from place to place without transition. I did that at least once a chapter in the past few books.)

Terry: Ask anyone: Bridget and Maureen may be sisters. They have been that close: they regarded alike, they have been top friends, they have been regularly together. the women have been headed to cheerleading practice. It was once virtually Christmas in Minnesota, and it used to be snowing. Crash! Maureen's motor vehicle hit a truck head-on. the driving force was once killed and the passenger, whose physique was once too mangled to recognize, used to be in a coma. simply because the city was once overcoming their grief, they discovered the truth: we've got been mourning the incorrect girl. This YA novel attracts on a real-life occasion to construct a narrative with perception for youths and adults. I will freely admit i did not realize this story. Morning indicates do not do it for me, and neither do the popular culture rags within the grocery/drugstore checkout line. [And the author's descriptions purely bolstered my strategies on exploitation, yet that is for one more day.] i'd enterprise a bet that this story, albeit fictionalized, bargains greater than any of the media coverage. the writer has created a spell-binding, eye-catching story. when you recognize the story, she most likely responded the various questions that you simply had should you DID take heed to Matt and Meredith. i discovered myself sneaking forward (more than once). this is often an ensemble forged of characters, each one with their very own point of view and depth. the writer does a masterful activity aiding you notice the area from every one in their perspectives. To learn the complete review, visit [The analyzing Tub®](#).

Kristy: now not as relocating as I had was hoping for... and that i hoped for extra heavenly moments.....Full assessment later.3.5 stars

Aoibhinn: This novel was once encouraged by means of a real story. it really is approximately girls, Bridget and Maureen, who're so alike and but so various on the comparable time. they appear fairly similar, they've got a similar color hair and eyes, and they're an identical height. the 2 were top associates due to the fact that they have been small children. One evening whereas traveling domestic from a cheerleading practice, there's an accident, an exceptionally critical one, and the lives of those women are replaced forever. One lady dies whereas the opposite one survives. One kin buries their child, whereas the opposite sits over their kid's sanatorium mattress as their injured and damaged daughter lies in a coma. while the girl, who's believed to be Bridget, eventually wakes from her coma, it really is quickly realised that the inaccurate baby has been buried. this can be relatively a wonderful novel. The publication is unputdownable! it is a story of tragedy and hope, renewal and death, romance, development and forgiveness. The characters are portrayed so essentially and vividly. it's a exciting learn and approximately most unlikely to not develop into thoroughly absorbed into the situation.

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