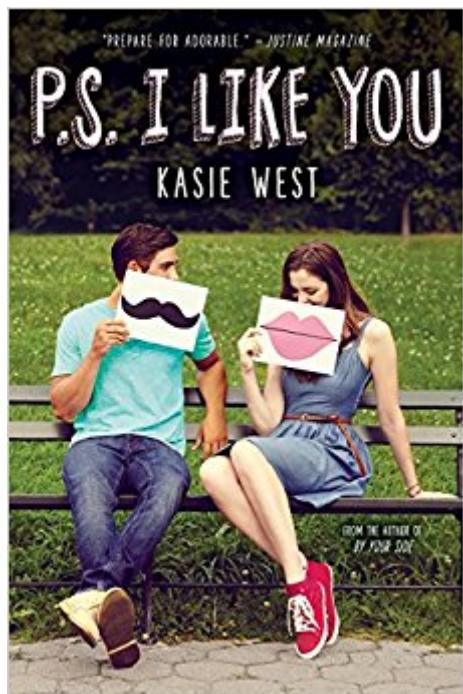


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# P.S. I Like You



## **Synopsis**

Signed, sealed, delivered... While spacing out in Chemistry class, Lily scribbles some of her favorite song lyrics onto her desk. The next day, she finds that someone has continued the lyrics on the desk, and added a message to her. Intrigue! Soon, Lily and her anonymous pen pal are exchanging full-on letters -- sharing secrets, recommending bands, and opening up to each other. Lily realizes she's kind of falling for this letter writer. Only who is he? As Lily attempts to unravel the mystery, and juggle school, friends, crushes, and her crazy family, she discovers that matters of the heart can't always be spelled out... Kasie West brings irresistible wit, warmth, and sparkle to this swoon-worthy story of love showing up when you least expect it.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Gr 7-10 •Cade and Lily have been enemies for years: he's rude about her clothes, hair, and whole vibe; she thinks he's a snotty, stuck-up rich kid. Plus, she has her eye on shaggy hipster Lucas, who looks like he could totally be on her wavelength. But when Lily scribbles some graffiti on top of the desk to combat her boredom in chemistry class, she's surprised to find a reply the next day and even more surprised when the answers continue. Soon, she's corresponding through hidden notes and bonding with her secret pen pal over a mutual interest in indie music. Who's her mysterious new friend? Little by little, Lily whittles down the number of possibilities to one

that makes absolutely no sense. Although it gets off to a slow start as the author sets up the various subplots, there's much to like about this sweet love story. West allows the sworn enemies to reexamine themselves in a believable way; Lily considers that the person she becomes around her nemesis Cade is not her best self--and that the same could possibly be true for Cade. There's plenty of kissing at the end, but nothing that renders this work unsuitable for middle school readers. VERDICT Hand this one to fans of tween romance and Jennifer E. Smith's books. --Elizabeth Friend, Wester Middle School, TX --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

Praise for P.S. I Like You:"Lily is one of the funniest heroines I've met in a long time. This is my favorite Kasie West book yet!" -- Miranda Kenneally, author of Catching Jordan"Clever and heartwarming. P.S. I love this book, and you will too!" -- Lisa Schroeder, author of The Bridge from Me to You"The perfect romantic comedy." -- VOYA"Pride and Prejudice lite. Readers after an enjoyable beach romance won't go wrong with this." -- Kirkus Reviews"Once again, West pens an adorably cute romance that will leave you with a smile on your face and a huge case of the warm fuzzies.... a sweet, swoony love story." -- RT Book Reviews"Kasie West books always make us fall in love with love! And this sweet-and-salty, opposites-attract romance has more than a pinch of Pride & Prejudice tucked inside. Prepare for adorable." -- Justine MagazinePraise for Lucky in Love:"There's a wealth of profoundly topical, thematic territory to explore in lottery wins; this iteration, with its cast of culturally and economically diverse characters, is especially resonant." -- Kirkus Reviews"Kasie West books are our kind of comfort food -- romantic, light and cute!" -- Justine Magazine"Fans of Susane Colasanti, Jennifer E. Smith, and Jenny Han will enjoy this smart girl protagonist dealing with the typical (and not-so-typical) drama that senior year of high school brings." -- School Library Journal

Grade: A+The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: In case my review for By Your Side had you fooled, I love Kasie West's books (just not her most recent one). P.S. I Like You, which I read the day it released, was an absolute delight.In a lot of ways Lily reminded me of Anne Shirley. They're both imperfect, opinionated, and have dreams. P.S. I Like You is also in the crop of YA titles that have recently been appearing that are basically YA versions of You've Got Mail.I really enjoyed that Lily and her guy didn't get together in the last chapter, that they found each other a little sooner so we got to see them beginning a romantic relationship. I also liked that we knew about halfway through who her pen pal was.P.S. I Like You has got great family dynamics going on, between Lily's mom

and dad, who are a bit embarrassing (as parents of teenagers can be) but also very supportive and who act like parents. There's also her older sister and then her little brothers, who add comedy and awkwardness. The one relationship not fleshed out as I wanted was Lily's friendship with Isabel. It felt surface level at times and like Isabel was just there to further the plot and be a sounding board for Lily, not like she was her own person who happened to play a supporting role in this story. Super clean, both language and romance-wise. The Verdict: Such a fun, swoonworthy read that I want to reread over and over again.

I started this book before I was supposed to go to bed, planning to only read for about an hour...yeah, I read way longer than that telling myself, "Just one more chapter," more times than I remember. I did eventually force myself to put it down because I really did have to get some sleep. First things this morning though I was reading this book and ended up finishing it before lunch. Needless to say I was addicted and LOVED it! So much! I loved watching the characters (especially Lily) overcome their faults and I especially loved the whole love story between her and her secret guy...who's name I'm not going to say. Such a truly satisfying story making me feel all the emotions I love feeling when I read. Kasie West has done it again. She is an auto-buy for me, for sure!

In a world of way too many angsty young adult books, Kasie West stands out in her ability to write in such a way that is appropriate for young adults, and yet doesn't have stilted dialog or too much angst. Though Lily certainly had her share of troubles, the overall tone of the story was hopeful and light. The story was told in Lily's perspective which was perfect. It didn't give away who the mysterious note writer was and left room for speculation. The story was great and just right after a stressful day. Though it is written for a younger audience, this mature reader enjoyed it very much. Review also found on [Among the Reads](#)

I am a MASSIVE Kasie West fan. I own all of her books, and have reread each of them at least twice. She's mastered the art of writing fluffy and all around adorable YA contemporary romance all with interesting and unique characters and plot, something that isn't the easiest thing to nail down. So when I found out we were getting another book from her, I was both nervous and excited. Nervous because after reading the synopsis, I originally thought that it sounded very similar to a book I had just finished, and excited because, well, it's a Kasie West novel after all. Going into this, I tried to keep my expectations low, and read it more for the cute love story than the overall story itself. A few chapters in, however,

I was absolutely in love with it. My previous fears that it would be too similar to what I had recently read completely diminished, because while this does include the fairly used trope of anonymous exchange between the main character and a mystery love interest, the characters put an entirely new and unique spin on the storyline. P.S I Like You is about our main character and narrator Lily who has a passion for songwriting. One day during her Chemistry class she scribbles down some song lyrics from a pretty much unknown Indie band onto her desk, and returns the next day to find that whoever sits at her desk in another period had written the next line of lyrics. Thus, a consistent exchange between them begins. Before long, scribbles on the desk turn into full on letters, but one question remains: Exactly who is he? As per usual from a Kasie West novel, while love is the main relationship house of the novel, you get all sorts of other relationships too. Friends and family play a very big role in this, and they're all just as hilarious as ever. Popularly in the YA genre, the main characters are only children with parents who are absent and allow their kid to do whatever they want. Never in West's novels, though. In fact, Kasie West makes sure to do the exact opposite of that and make them a significant and necessary part of the story. Overall, this book was just as incredible as all of her others. I highly recommend that you go and get a copy so you can read and enjoy!

Lily found paying attention in chemistry class difficult, so she spaced out and started writing some of her favorite song lyrics on her desk. To her surprise, someone in a later chem class added to them as well as leaving her a message. It's not long before they're exchanging letters, stuck under the desk and then Lily realizes she's starting to have feelings for the mystery guy. Add to the mix her slight social awkwardness, the stress of coming up with the best song for a contest, the unexpected disaster that hits her guitar, mean girls, her best friend nudging her to risk it when the mystery guy is revealed and you have another dandy teen romance from an author who has never disappointed me. I've read and loved all her books and this is as good as it gets. It's a great one for both school and public libraries to add where teens like good chemistry with a dash of mystery and plenty of romantic intrigue.

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