Weston White has written a book that she wants to get published. She needs a literary agent first and emails the local agency hoping to get signed.

Annie Halifax works for the Halifax agency and reads Weston's book in

> When the two meet, Weston mistakes Annie for an assistant, so they don't get off to the best

After an altercation with a rival agency where Annie and Weston have to pretend to be a couple, they decide to hang out.

Weston tells Annie that she's interested in more than a business relationship between them, but Annie is resistant.

Her accomplished sister has returned to the , agency with all sorts of ideas that Annie doesn't agree with and she can't handle a relationship with a client while dealing with Aubrey too.

> Weston suggests that they don't date for a while because Annie has so much going on.

Weston retreats to her cabin to write. Annie gets a pep talk from her sister who tells her that it's okay for her to go for what she wants both professionally and with Weston.



Annie wants to sign Weston and Weston

agrees to let Annie rep her, but she's also

very attracted to the woman who holds

Weston and the two decide to go out and explore what might be.



When their next date is supposed to happen, Annie messes up and forgets about because she's writing. Weston gets it because she's done the same.

Hiking Holiday Slow Burn Workplace / Office Romance With Aubrey now more involved in the business, Annie finds herself wanting to write more and more, but she also makes a big mistake and forgets to talk to the publishers about Weston, and Weston loses out on a deal.

Annie arrives at Weston's cabin on Valentine's Day with an apology and a fixed publishing deal. They share their first time together and know they're going to be fine.

her publishing career in her hands.

It's just that good. She wants to meet to talk about signing her. one night.



Talon Mitchell is interested in a relationship. She works in sales at a tech start-up and generally enjoys it. When she sees the new director in her apartment, she can't help but stare.

Talon's never trusted in her abilities beyond her current role as a sales manager, but Emerson is told that Talon knows the software the company uses inside and out and suggests they work together to improve it.

Talon can't take it anymore and suggests they sign a document for HR saying they're having sex. Then, they proceed to have a lot of it... all over the office while it's empty, of course

This is the last thing Talon needs because she cannot control the lust she's feeling for Emerson.

The two begin to spend time together in and out of the office and the sexual tension is palpable. Emerson confides in her sister what she's interested in Talon, but can't have her.

After one day and night together, Emerson is worried and asks for some 🤃 ) to think about what they should do. Talon isn't a , but she gives it to her.

Emerson invites Talon to a St. Patrick's Day block party that her family will be attending and Talon isn't sure if she should lphabe meeting the family just yet with them being so new.

It's amazing and they want to keep going out, but no one at work can know, so Talon isn't exactly thrilled when a co-worker flirts with Emerson right in front of her.

Talon meets Emerson's

in love. 🗅

Thanks to Talon's performance on the project, she could possibly be promoted to the same level as Emerson and would no longer be on Emerson's team, which 🖌 🤟 would be good news, but Talon doesn't think she'll get it.

Low Angst Hot for Boss Office Romance Emerson Bagley left her previous company for a new job with a better title and pay. She expected things to be hard for a while, but she didn't expect to be attracted to a woman on her team.

The one night stand that Talon had with Aubrey, Annie's sister wasn't exactly satisfying, and now, Emerson is there looking perfect while also

being her boss who needs to her to work on a big project .. alone... together.

While Emerson sorts through her feelings, Talon gets worried and talks to her friends.



the party with her friends.



Emerson says that she's interested in more than just sex and they agree to go

out on a date.



Aria Bancroft first met London Carlson when she was 15 years old. She fell madly in love with her best friend, but after one kiss, London pulled away and soon after was out of Aria's life.

The two women talk and decide to exchange numbers to attempt a reconnection. When Aria returns from Europe where she's done some soulsearching and is ready to settle down, she joins her friends at a 4th of July fireworks event where she sees London for the first time since high school. London has just moved to town with her two friends, Carmen & Mariah to open a bakery. They drag her to the fireworks where she sees Aria for the first time since leaving her behind and regretting it every moment since.

Aria offers to stop by and bring lunch, so they can hang out for the first time since the 4th of July event.

London is worried about her new business because the bakery is about to open and they have no backup plan.

It doesn't go well. He doesn't approve, and London is devastated, but she still has Aria and that's all that matters.

They finally share their first time together after all these years and they know they want to be together forever.

> Second Chance First Love Coming Out Dual Timeline Rich Girl / Poor Girl Secret Crush Self-Discovery Slow Burn

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To: Aria

From: London

London, Aria, and her father are all going to go to dinner together and London plans to tell her dad that she and Aria are together.

Aria knows that she's done with onenight-stands and friends-withbenefits. London is the one for her and 'always has been. They take a chance and go on a real first date and things are looking good until london's dad, who doesn't like that london is gay, shows up.

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Aria & London both

want more, but they

have to let go of at

least some of the past

first in order to have it.

London tries with her father one more time before he heads home, but he's still not ready to hear what makes London the happiest is Aria Bancroft.

The opening of the bakery goes well. Aria and London are together and happy. London is moving into Aria's house, and hey both know that soon,,, they'll take another step.

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Carmen knows a lawyer that might be able to help out, and when she's dropping off cupcakes for Ellie since she missed her regular bakery visit, she meets Emmett who loves video games just like Carmen.

It's nice having Carmen around, but as far as Ellie knows, Carmen is still into Janet. Little does Ellie know that Carmen ended things with Janet and now, Mariah

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is "into" Janet.

With the help of the lawyer, they are able to get the charges against Emmett dropped.

Emmett is preparing to move out on his own, which scares his big sister, but she knows that he needs to learn how to take care of himself.



Secret Crush Butch / Femme Low Angst Slow Burn Eleanor Enger & Carmen McClain met because of Aria & London's reconnection. Ellie has an instant crush on Carmen, but Carmen, doesn't recognize it and decides to bring a date to a lake party, which doesn't go well for her date Janet, who gets

seasick and leaves.

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Ellie bails him out and lets him stay with her while they sort through finding him a lawyer to help with his case.

The more time Carmen spends with Ellie, the more she starts to like her and she asks her out, but Ellie says that she needs to wait because of what's going on with her brother.

They have their first time together and it's very real for both of them.

Carmen tells Ellie that her birthday is on HALLOWEEN and that her parents create a haunted house for her every year. Ellie is invited to the party.

> After they make it through, they go out back where Ellie meets Carmen's parents for the first time, and it's not scary at all.

Ellie gives up on Carmen, thinking she doesn't return her feelings and just as she's dealing with that, her kid brother calls because he needs to be bailed out of jail and their parents won't help him.

> Ellie confronts her parents who want nothing to do with her or Emmett. She doesn't want to wait any longer to be with Carmen.

They have a picnic as their first of the state and share their first kiss.

Carmen offers to be Ellie's date for a work dinner and award's ceremony. She dresses up in a tux because she knows Ellie will love it, and Ellie definitely does.

Ellie invites her friends as well and they all show up in costume.

Not a big fan of being scared, Ellie needs Carmen to keep her close while inside the haunted house.



Paisley Hill runs her own consulting firm. She's built it herself, used only her money, has no employees, and is proud of all those things.

Paisley travels for work a lot and chooses not to have relationships because of it, but while watching 4 of her 5 friends fall in love this year, she's starting to feel a little lonely.

Pretty soon, that animosity turns into flirting and Paisley reveals that she didn't use any family money to build her company. That surprises Trinity.

They accidentally grab drinks and Trinity finally reveals to Paisley that they knew each other as teenagers. They reminisce a little and things start to feel like they might

be okay.

Workplace / Office Romance Long-Distance Relationship No Strings Attached Rich Girl / Poor Girl Forced Proximity Enemies to Lovers Secret Crush Trinity Pascal has a new company based on an idea of hers. While she's sick, her business partner, hires a consultant. When Trinity returns to work, she discovers that it's Paisley Hill, or PJ, as Trinity knew her back in boarding school.

Trinity runs into Paisley on the street where she overhears her talking on the phone, saying bad things about the town, so they're not off to the best start. On top of that, Paisley doesn't seem to remember Trinity from school.

Trinity's cheating ex shows up to apologize, but Trinity doesn't want to hear it. She heads to work and still isn't happy that PJ is there to help her company.

Trinity comes to Paisley's hotel room and soon, they're engaged in a "no strings attached" relationship, giving into the sexual tension that had been driving them both a little crazy.

Paisley introduces Trinity to her friends as her girlfriend, which is a big step or her, but she's still worried about them being so far apart and her job making her Soon, it's clear to both of them that they have real feelings for one another, but Paisley has to return home. If they do this, It'll have to be long-distance.

Paisley doesn't know

where this animosity is

coming from, but she

has a job to do, so she

her business partner

coffee to help only to

crash into Trinity with

it and spill it all over the

tries to buy Trinity and

Trinity is unhappy at her company and wants to sell it to her partner. She thinks she'd like working with Paisley, and they agree to work together. Trinity will move closer and get her own place. They can make this work.



Scarlet Campbell isn't out to her family, but her friends know that she's gay. She's also very shy and not likely to walk up to a pretty woman and introduce herself. Good thing Dakota IS that kind of a woman. Dakota Wagner just started a new job as a community manager and when she needs help with her data, she finds Scarlett and instantly, she's entranced.

Dakota asks Scarlet out on a date after they hang out a few times, including once with Scarlet's friends accidentally where they encourage Scarlet to go for it, and Scarlet says yes despite still not understanding why Dakota would be interested in her.

The two continue to date and Dakota asks Scarlet to come with her and her family on their annual Christmas ski trip. Scarlet is unsure and begins to pull away, worrying Dakota. They go to a play and to dinner and share their first perfect kiss.

Scarlet comes out to her siblings, but still can't come out to her parents.



Scarlet goes with Dakota on the ski trip where she meets Dakota's parents, brother, and pregnant sister-in-law. They share their first time together (and Scarlet's first time ever) and it's perfect. She loves Dakota and Dakota loves her

When they head home for the New Year, Scarlet brings Dakota to the annual party with her friends. All of them found their loves this year.

They leave the party and pick up their favorite drinks and snacks and all 12 of them stay up late, ringing in the new year together. Scarlet has Dakota by her side and always will.

When Dakota asks Scarlet for help and to teach her a thing or two, Scarlet is taken aback and reserved. Then, Dakota starts "talking" through

Scarlet's charts & graphs making her feelings for Scarlet pretty clear.



Scarlet isn't sure what to do because she's falling for Dakota, but things are moving a little faster than she'd expected and she still hasn't told her parents that she's gay.

Her parents move up their annual holiday party and she brings Dakota. She tells her parents that Dakota is her girlfriend and they have ZER problems with Scarlet being gay. They only want her to be happy.

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