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Andre Le Court first set eyes on Kate Frost when he was two and she was a babe in her mother's arms. He's twenty-five now, and he still remembers the moment perfectly, the moment Kate Frost slipped inside his heart.

His family owned a big hotel, her parents worked there. Andre's father spent years trying to separate his son from the daughter of the hired help. Eventually he grew desperate and sent Andre away to boarding school.

Nine years later, Kate turns up on the doorstep of Andre's prestigious hotel with the paparazzi at her heels and the six-week-old daughter of her celebrity ex in her arms. She has nowhere left to run except back to the place where she left her heart all those years ago.

Andre lost Kate once. He can't lose her again. But he has an image to maintain, a reputation as a successful businessman. A bohemian young woman with beads in her hair is not a suitable wife for him.

In Andre, Kate sees tantalizing glimpses of the boy she adored. But most of the time she hardly recognizes the powerful, successful man he's become, his lifestyle so like that of his despised father.

Can they forgive the pain of the past, accept each other as they are now, and rediscover the childhood love that was snatched away from them?

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Kristy Mills says

This was a story about two childhood sweethearts finding their way back to each other. Kate needs a safe place to stay. A place to hide from the press and paparazzi who are desperately trying to get pictures and answers from her about her newborn baby. The baby's father, Kate's ex, is a new reality tv star who cheated on Kate. Kate can think of only one place to go and that is to where she grew up. She runs to Andre now the owner of his family's luxury hotel. Andre has always loved Kate, he planned on marrying her, but when he was sent to boarding school at age 16, he broke Kate's heart by leaving her behind, literally and mentally. But she springs back into his life and they discover that their feelings for each other may not have changed over the years, but they are not the same people they used to be... well, one of them isn't. They have to work out some differences if they want to be together, and make some changes in their lives or risk losing each other all over again.

JenniferJ says

A really quick read but it lacked something and I can't quite put my finger on it. We've got a young man and woman who were teenage sweethearts but boy's father didn't think girl was good enough for his son so he finds a way to part them and yada yada boy breaks girl's heart and she moves on and winds up with another man and has his baby and now is on the doorstep of teen sweetheart who supposedly never got over her either but it seems they are both too busy living in the past to try to have a future together.

I got annoyed after a while because they couldn't decide whether to rekindle what they once had or leave it be and then they kept misunderstanding how the other was feeling but if they had just sat down and talked and got to reknow each other and take more time maybe all the nonsense that went on could have been avoided.

I did enjoy the tender scenes with Andre and the baby though. It's rare to have such a sweet interaction between a baby and a man especially when it's not his own!

Sarika Patkotwar says

I was in the mood to read a pure contemporary romance, between two normal people who have a simple and sweet love story, and I unexpectedly came across Unbreak My Heart at the right time, when it was free on Amazon. I quickly downloaded a copy and was looking forward to reading it. The cover of the book itself is so pretty, I make sure I look at it every time I open my Kindle app!

Unbreak My Heart is the story of childhood sweethearts, Andre and Kate. Andre's family owns prominent hotels, where Kate's parents worked. Being two years older to Kate, Andre was with her since she was born and they grew up together, sharing their dreams and aspirations. Realizing that the Andre- Kate relationship won't do any good for Andre's professional life, his dad sends him away to boarding school, putting a blotch

on the beautiful friendship nourished by both the kids. Andre gets into his new life and gets busy with fulfilling his grandfather's dream of making the Caspian an extraordinary hotel. To avoid the pain of separation, Kate gets in a relationship with Daniel Crowther and has his baby. Later, realizing that only his fame and fortune are what mattered most to Dan, she leaves him and the only hope she has is Andre. From there on starts another wonderful Andre and Kate journey with several ups and downs, that are a natural part and parcel of normal life and that's what makes them realize that they were really never apart from one another. All of their feelings are mutual.

The story was absolutely amazing and the book itself, a complete page turner. I found myself admiring both the protagonists, understanding each one's perspective. Kate's daughter, Keiko, brought happiness and some really sweet moments between the three (Andre, Kate and Keiko), who, in a very out of nowhere and completely genuine manner, made for a perfect family. A lovely tale of true love as it transcends from childhood to adolescence to adulthood, the story gets you back to your senses and makes you believe that the concept of soul-mates is, in fact, very much true and the power of love will always overcome practically anything. A sweet, lovely and romantic read, *Unbreak My Heart* is highly recommended and definitely worth reading! I thoroughly enjoyed EVERY page and am now looking forward to reading more books by author Helen Scott Taylor.

Jaymy M. says

Helen Scott Taylor's "Unbreak my Heart" is a heart warming tale of forgiveness and growth. Andre and Kate have to find their way back not only from a physical distance, but across nine years worth of living and heartache.

Andre has to "unbreak" Kate's heart; as a teen he cut out of his life the day after her gave her a ring and promised to marry her. Already on the fringes of social life in her hometown, teenage Kate grieved the loss of her love and best friend. But, she carried on, employing her talents to earn a degree and a good job. She became involved with a man who thrives on attention and wants to be a superstar. For more than four years, they were together, and she became absorbed in him and his life, even if her feelings for him aren't soul consuming love she'd had for Andre. But, an unplanned pregnancy changed all that. A child didn't fit into his lifestyle and he wanted her to get rid of the child.

She had the baby on her own, even lived in a caravan for a while, despite the media that followed her trying to get photos of her because of her connection to her ex and seeking photos of his child. She sought refuge with her mother, but was turned away at the gate by her stepfather; he didn't want the inconvenience of the paps she was trying to get away from.

That's where this story picks up. Kate goes to the only place she's ever thought of as home and the only person who ever stood up for her — Jersey and Andre. She shows up one of the hotels he owns, photographers trailing, begging for help. Seeing the one woman he'd ever wanted with another man's baby was a shock, but he's determined not to lose her a second time.

Both have issues carried over from childhood, how deeply he hurt her when he dismissed her from his life nine years before, the intervening years. Can they overcome the pain and hurdles, to learn to trust? Can Kate, when it seems Andre is trying to make her into someone else, the proper wife to compliment his lifestyle, not the woman she is? They eventually learn to trust, grow together and think "we" instead of "me" or "me and my baby." It's a rough journey, but they get there, eventually. There are plenty of tears shed and frustrations vented along the way.

Taylor does heart-ache well. Really tugged at the heart strings to the point a tissue might be in order.

Wendy Hines says

As usual, Helen Scott Taylor delivers a worthy read. The characters are fascinating and you instantly like and care about them. Honestly, the story-line was a little too convenient for me. He needs an ad rep and she just happens to be one. She needs a place to stay and he just happens to own a hotel. Convenience at it's best.

Given that, it's still definitely worth picking up and reading. Even though you know the direction the story is headed from the very beginning, it's a tale of love that's been put on hold, and one you won't want to miss. Sometimes we all need a little hope that things will work out how we so desperately need them to. This beautifully crafted tale will pull you back into the world of romance and make you believe in true love.

a_tiffyfit says

Nice little romance. I love the stories of childhood sweethearts torn apart but ultimately together. :) Satisfying and sweet.

Joan Reeves says

One of my favorite songs is Unbreak My Heart by the remarkable Toni Braxton. Naturally, when I saw that title on a romance novel, I had to grab it.

I just finished reading this novel by Helen Scott Taylor. The lovely cover of this book is perfect for this sweet romance of unrequited love.

I mean, is there anything that burns as hot and as long as unrequited love? I think not. I've explored that theme in several novels I've written.

Ms. Taylor brings emotional depth to the unfulfilled love between Kate Frost and Andre Le Court, who is the kind of hero every woman wants to find. I've read several romances by Helen Scott Taylor, and I have to say she creates a really good hero who is always more than a pretty face.

Throw in a cute little baby, and you get a romance that's irresistible. This emotional journey of these two lovers is more than meets the eye, and each must grow and change to have a shot at a happily ever after.

If you like sweet romance filled with emotion and charming characters, you'll savor this novel.

Nancy Stopper says

I generally have a harder time reading books set in England or Europe because they often use "European" terminology that makes it harder for me to understand the story, but this one was well written and I didn't

stumble over the difference in venacular.

I liked the story and liked how, unlike many other romance stories I read, the man was definitely the one more strongly carrying the torch. Typically the women are carrying the torch and have to drag the men to the altar - in this story, it was clear pretty quickly that Andre had never gotten over Kate.

I didn't like how Kate seemed to be "condemning" him for not contacting her when he went away to boarding school but honestly, what men do when they are 16 rarely reflects how they are as men and I was starting to get annoyed by her continued stubbornness about his "leaving her".

Overall, I liked the love story and I really liked how they ultimately got together in the end (don't want give any spoilers in that regard)

Katherine Owen says

"Unbreak My Heart" is a poignant, sweet romance with its own unique brand of charm. Author Helen Scott Taylor doesn't disappoint readers of the contemporary romance genre with this captivating story. The novel is superbly written in third person and readers are given the chance to experience points of view from both the main characters: Kate Frost and Andre Le Court. It would seem their love story from their teen years would be easy enough to rekindle almost a decade later, but Helen Scott Taylor does an excellent job of keeping readers guessing as to how Kate and Andre will make it work all these years later. The two must re-examine their past, acknowledge the lessons learned from mistakes they made in their previous relationships, and figure out for themselves what they want and what is important. "Unbreak My Heart" is a great story. It's sweet, charming, and captivating, just like Andre and Kate. Loved it!

Beth says

Kate is a talented artist who chose the wrong man. He left her for a model after his TV became popular and could care less about the baby he and Kate have created. Hounded by the paparazzi Kate returns to Caspian Hotel, the place where she grew up. Hoping the her child hood best friend Andre' will help her and her 6 week old baby escape the media attention. Andre' was Kate's first love, but blew off their relationship when he went away to school.

Andre' is a successful hotel owner. He was built up the hotels that his grandfather gave him when he passed on and is currently looking to re-promote the Caspian. He had always loved Kate but his father disapproved of her because her family was the hirer help. Andre' was shipped away to boarding school by his father and Kate was told that she wasn't good enough for Andre'.

Andre' allows Kate to stay at the Caspian and ask her to help him re-promote the Caspian and...he asks her to play his fiancée' to push away a persistent pursuer, Elizabeth Delacroix. Elizabeth has her eye on marrying Andre' and getting the promotion job at the Caspian.

There is some major relationship tention between Kate and Andre'. It's obvious that their feeling for each other have never died but Andre' immediately tries to transform Kate into the socialite he wants her to be so she will fit into his life now. Kate is torn between the man she loves and being the person and mother of her

heart.

Great, heart string pulling story! My heart ached for the choices they made and the hurt it caused the person they love...the scarifies they must decide to make to have the person they love...ranting at my kindle didn't help but made me feel better ?. Really a wonderful story of discovery, keeping true and realizing your dreams.

Ruth says

Kate grew up on the island of Jersey. After her father died her mother moved to London. Kate left her childhood best friend and became involved with Daniel and had a baby with him. She returns to her old friend on the island of Jersey to escape the constant paparazzi that follow her and her daughter. She seeks refuge with her childhood friend who has now taken over the two hotels that were left to him by his grandfather. Kate is still reeling from the fact that he left her when his dad sent him to boarding school and she never heard from him again. The story has seems to be well written but I became so frustrated with the two main characters. Why didn't they just talk things out? They just kept misunderstanding each other and it was too much. Some changes to the way the two characters handled things and the rating would have been higher.

Pwee says

A lovely story! Childhood sweethearts separated and then reunited as friends. Will the relationship evolve to something else than friendship? This is my second book by Mrs Scott Taylor and I finally put my finger on what I think is her trademark... (after only two books I may be mistaking but I don't think so...)

It's a love story so you expect the protagonists to end up together at the end of the book. I've read my fair share of romance novels and I've never felt the way I do when reading Mrs Scott Taylor. When reading her novels, I don't know if the story will have a happy ending. I expect it to but I'm not sure. It was true in this book just as it was in "Oceans Between Us". Andre and Kate have grown into two very different adults. Trials and betrayals have made Kate wary of men and Andre in particular. And Andre seems to be concerned only with appearances and his hotels. It's difficult to see them together especially after reading that Andre wants Kate to change (he does but doesn't at the same time...)But in the end, they do get together. The growing may be fast (only a few pages) but it doesn't seem fake. At least, it worked for me. So if you're looking for a nice well-written book, don't hesitate. You won't regret it !

Ronna says

2.5 stars rounded up

I was really excited to read this book, because I loved the theme of the book - best friends from childhood separated by circumstances beyond their control, and meeting later in life, when one needs help from the other, and feeling that connection rekindle. I loved the idea that they lived in this magical place as children,

in a medieval English castle on an island, and had special places to go that were just theirs. The memories from their youth that they shared in flashbacks were the best parts of the book. I really believed that the h/h loved each other, and yet the story and characters never clicked for me in a way that made me yearn for them to be together and get their HEA. With regard to the characters, I just couldn't embrace them. Just as they would say something endearing or show some good chemistry, to turn the tide for me so to speak, they would say something to ruin it in the next breath. The overall story of Kate being relentlessly stalked all over England because she was the girlfriend of a one-hit wonder reality star was not believable, nor was the fact she had no ability to care for herself and had to seek out Andre as a last resort for help. And Andre, who could have been so great in the roll of the accepting protector, kept screwing up by making poor decisions and portraying a modern version of Henry Higgins (My Fair Lady) - it was just shameless. That said, not only did the characters not work, but I never felt the story lived up to its potential. Also, the pacing was quite slow until things finally picked up in the middle. The ending was predictable and lackluster. While this book may not have done it for me, please keep in mind that this book was decently rated (3.5 stars on Goodreads) and won awards, so perhaps I missed something.

Kathleen says

This book was one of the most frustrating novels I have ever read! It was free on Amazon and it was well written so overall I don't feel as if I wasted my time or money. The reason I cannot give this book due credit is because the two lead characters were beyond insufferable. They were like mushrooms! The lead, Kate, I despised. The whole time I was reading, I wanted to scream out, "Grow a backbone, stand up for yourself!" While I have never considered myself a feminist, this lead character needs to read up on some "Girl Power". Now, don't get me wrong, eventually she does take a stand but at that time, too little too late. Even in the end I was upset because I just hated her and didn't care for him much either.

Ok, let me give Ms. Taylor some credit here. The book is your typical contemporary romance and there are some sweet elements to the story. Some, I'm sure many, will really enjoy this book and will most likely not even notice the fact he wants her to change every freaking thing about her! Do people come around in the end, sure, I mean how can they end up together otherwise? Still though, she was so spineless it killed me!

Regardless of whether or not I personally liked the book, I always have to respect authors getting their work out there. It takes a lot of courage.

All in all, 2 stars for this one.

Terisa says

Once again this book fell short of my expectations. I bought this book as a part of a box set called Love Is All Around by Helen Scott Taylor. This book was better than the first book in the set but it still left me wanting more. I couldn't seem to care either way if the two main characters got together or not.

The first part of the book started off pretty good with Kate running from the paparazzi that are following her to find out who the father of her baby is in hopes that it is truly an up and coming actor. She runs to her first

love who now owns the hotel that she grew up in while her parents were employed there. I enjoyed the setting of the book and the hotel itself sounded amazing but I found both Kate and Andre annoying and couldn't connect with either of them. I also feel that should have been more included about Dan, the babies biological father. One phone call from him in a place that no one is supposed to have the number to was lame. I certainly hope that the third book in the set is better.
