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In her high heels, short skirts, and purple eyeliner, Rickie is known as the wayward friend of good girls Anna and Chrissy. Her string of meaningless flings, happening parties, and more boys lining up to ask her out make her the envy of every teenage girl—till she sets her sights on a very bad idea: Anna's ex. Is Rickie headed for disaster? Or will she finally fall in love and get her very own happy ending?

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Tiff says

I was torn between giving this 3 or 4 stars. I believe that endings impact how you see the book, because it is a portion of the whole. I really liked the ending however, I thought the author was veering for another Jaime and Rickie thing at the end. But it turned okay I guess. Rickie managed to stay friends with a guy with whom she has slowly but surely developed feelings with. It's nice to see a little something permanent and not just a passing fling.

Maan says

Book #37 for 2012: Finished reading this book in less than 2 hours in the car on our way to a meeting. The book is about Rickie, the resident party girl of the barkada. As a self-declared reformed party girl (haha :P), I found myself smiling and laughing at some of Rickie's antics. Read this book if you just want to be free of pa-deep stuff and you just want to de-stress. A fun read (care ko sa mga sasabihin ng mga pa-deep and profound readers out there :P).

Nin says

Okay. I admit. I am in love with this character. Rickie is the party girl of the trio, the one who never gets serious with a guy, the one with flings you need all of your fingers and toes to count. She's the intruder to Anna and Chrissy's longtime friendship. She's the daughter who is not as talented, pretty, and ma-PR as her older sister, Lexie. She stays out late at night to party with her gay friend Bryan and to hook up with boys. Eventually, she chose to be with Jaime, Anna's ex, much to the chagrin of her friends. It didn't last though, because of Rickie's commitment issues. Rickie turned out to sincerely like Jaime and in a confrontation-for-closure scene she acknowledged the fact that she could have chosen to be with him but she chose to walk away. One weekend changed her perspective on life and love when she learned how her sister Lexie chose not to pursue a relationship with Timmy (Anna's brother), even if they liked each other because it was the right thing to do. I like the fact that Rickie realized that she shouldn't be looking elsewhere for affection, because she had the right people (family and friends) with her to give her the love that she needs if only she chooses to let them in and have a sincere relationship with them. She learned to value herself, respect herself, and see herself as a person who deserves something serious and who is capable of something serious. I sort of related to her character in this vein. I loved that the author was able to let her character speak in this candid, unpretentious voice. Rickie seems to be the type to tell it like it is. Gah, I just love her. I'm confident she and Diego ended up happily as a couple. Rickie, no longer lonely. ?

Joyce says

I read this book 3x, because of the awesome story.

Tina says

In a group of friends, there are always roles. There's the witty one, there's the nice one, and there's the popular one, the one who likes to party, drink and gets into flings all the time.

That is Rickie.

Rickie is the “bad girl” friend of Anna and Chrissy, from the Every Girl’s Guide series by Marla Miniano. Rickie is surrounded by good girls — from Anna and Chrissy to her older sister, Lexi, who she thinks is perfect. Rickie fits into her role pretty well, doing exactly what other people expect of her: to party, drink and hook up with cute boys she meets in these parties.

Then Rickie meets Jaime again, who, incidentally, is Anna’s ex. Thinking he’s already a free-zone, especially after she learns he’s broken up with his girlfriend, Olivia, she goes after him, using his friend Diego to make him jealous, who also incidentally, falls in love with Rickie.

I knew from the moment when the guy who Rickie ends up with shows up that she will end up with him, but it was actually quite nice to see how she grows from the party girl to learning to accept the things that other people think of her to be. As I mentioned, Rickie lives up to the expectations of her — people expect her to be the party girl, the one who always goes out, the one who has flings and never falls in love. But her friends and her sister think more of her, and at first she couldn’t live up to it. When things fall apart, Rickie takes a step back, and tries to see herself for what her friends and her sister and a new found friend see in her.

I found this book a lot interesting, and quite a satisfying end to the Girl’s Guide series. It was nice to get into Rickie’s perspective, and I sympathized with her when she said that she was just included in Anna and Chrissy’s group, even if she felt that Anna didn’t like her too much. While I couldn’t relate to Rickie’s life, I could somehow relate to her figuring out that relationships need work, and that she doesn’t need to be afraid when people fall in love with her.

I liked it, and if I had teenage sister/niece/cousin/friend, I’d recommend this series to her.

Chen Villanueva says

I remember reading this back when I was in high school. Rikkie and I are very similar to each other (I am half Rikkie half Anna when it comes to sarcasm and looks though!). I love the character because she's flawed in so many ways yet she developed into a better person. Also, the story is sweet and funny and rereading the book even after so many times still leaves you with the "awww" feeling. I love this simple, chick-litt that's perfect for readers looking for a light, feel-good read.

Marla Ricafrente says

Finally! Rickie's my favorite among the three girls. She never fails to crack me up and I can really relate to her personality. I know how it feels to be the plus one in a group of friends and it does suck. The story was great and I just really love Rickie. Nicely done. :)

Princess Godoy says

I don't why I chose to review this book even thou it's the third book in the series but YOLO right? XD Anyway, this is the second book I have read in the series, and to tell you the truth I got really hooked in the first book. So here it goes,

One thing to describe this book is SIMPLE, simplicity is beauty right? But not with Rickie, our protagonist in the story. She likes to party, drink and gets into flings all the time. Not so simple, I can say. That's what set her apart to her close to perfect friends Anna and Chrissy (main character in the other Every Girls Guide Series). The book get more interesting when Rickie dated her friend's ex (Anna's ex) who-totally-dumped-Ana-bigtime which I think is a big NO in friendship rule if that even exist. I love the character because she's flawed in so many ways yet she developed into a better person. Rickie was different with her two other friends because she is the girl-who-tries-to-look-selfish but deep inside wanted someone who could understand her and wants to commit to someone (despite her numerous flings each lasts only for weeks, with no commitment, no strings-attached and with known ending before it even begins).

In the end thou, Rickie realized that she shouldn't be looking elsewhere for affection, because she had the right people (family and friends) with her to give her the love that she needs if only she chooses to let them in and have a sincere relationship with them. Also she learned to value herself, respect herself, and see herself as a person who deserves something serious and who is capable of something serious.

I love the ending (sorry guys I will not spoil)

Rating: 4/5

Marby says

Rickie is such a lovable character! You'll laugh with her, get frustrated with her, but all in all, you'll cheer for her. A book you will want to read over and over again. Every Girl's Guide to FLINGS is addicting and refreshing at the same time :)

Faye says

at first i don't like it because it seems like chrissy-the-selfish-girl-again, but rickie was different and she is the girl-who-tries-to-look-selfish but deep inside wanted someone who could understand her and wants to commit to someone (despite her numerous flings each lasts only for weeks, with no commitment, no strings-attached and with known ending before it even begins).

this is the first book of miniano that i really liked despite of it being the complicated and undecided-heroine.

i liked how she points out that face value often isn't how a person feels and often, she seeks for someone to understand her angst and hang-ups and get to the real her even if she pretends to be the selfish, i-don't-give-a-damn-care girl.

so, in the 3 books of miniano that i read, this one is quite different and many girls could relate to it (even if they won't admit it out loud.)

Cassandra Javier says

Rickie is such a fun, crazy character--but deep down, she's a girl who just wanted to be loved, and to feel special. It's a witty, cute book.
