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### The Crazy Things Girls Do For Love by Dyan Sheldon

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Author: Sheldon, Dyan

Title: *The Crazy Things Girls Do for Love*

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Number of Pages: 352

Rating: Dependable

Reading/Interest Level: Intermediate; Young Adult

Keywords: Green movement; Environmentalism; Love; High School; Interpersonal relations; Fiction; Novel

Review:

Sicilee, the queen of all mean girls, Maya, the hippest of Hipsters, and Waneeda, the laziest of the lazy, have nothing in common. At least until the charming and devastatingly attractive Cody Lightfoot moves into their school. The girls, who have managed to ignore each other's existence until now, can't help but interact as they desperately try to win him. The girls will do anything to have even just a few minutes of his undivided attention, even going so far as to join the Environmental club, which is the death of any good socially acceptable image. But when Cody turns out to be a fake, the girls find that they've found something better: true friends, integrity, and a greater appreciation for planet earth.

Dyan Sheldon's *The Crazy Things Girls Do for Love* has an entertaining twist on an environmental theme, but in trying to keep from sounding too preachy, it comes out sounding a little tacky. The constant cliché jokes and commentary gets repetitive and takes away from the character and plot development. This bogs down the story, and even makes it drag on a bit. Despite this, the plot is entertaining and Sheldon does keep you wondering where the girls will end up. Overall a clean, fun book, that leaves you wanting to save electricity, and take care of planet earth a little better.

Reviewer: Jillianne Jensen

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