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Love Fortunes and Other Disasters

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Fallon Dupree is excited to go to high school because she knows that when she is in the town of Grimbaud she’ll be able to follow a love fortune that is 100% accurate. When her fortune tells her that she will never find love, she is surprised and devastated. Fallon isn’t the only student with a terrible fortune, however. She becomes part of a rebellion that wants to overthrow the power of Zita’s famous love charms to give everyone a chance at love. She works with Sebastian, a boy known as the ultimate heartbreaker, to discover the secret’s behind Zita’s power and to fight to find Love.

The book is cute, but often unrealistic about how people would behave. It contains many typical tropes (such as the male love interest smirking in every interaction). Some of the motivations behind the characters in the rebellion are unclear and the characters themselves are underdeveloped. However, the setting is interesting and the idea is whimsical. Fallon’s obsession with things being just right in food and clothing is a unique character detail that is not often seen in fiction. The book does have positive messages about being willing to fight for what you want, especially when it has to do with love. For someone who doesn’t mind unrealistic plots and wants a light read, this book might satisfy a thirst for a little bit of love and romance in a story.

*Contains homosexuality*