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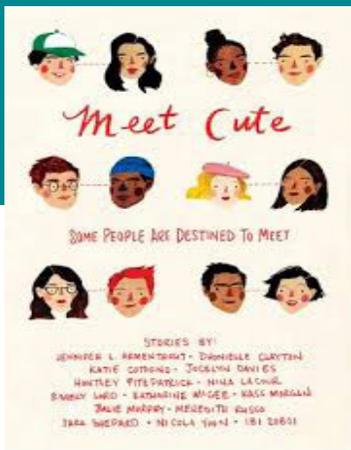
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Book Review

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Rating

Dependable

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Young Adult

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This collection contains fourteen short stories, all describing the moment (or moments) that lead to a young couple falling in love. Some are realistic: hiding together during a raid from the police at a party, seeing each other on the subway multiple times in a month, or meeting by chance in the airport security line. Others are more fantastical: tattoos that help young people find their soulmate, an app that matches you with your perfect complementary lover, and a governmental department dedicated entirely to investigating why a relationship failed. Each story features a unique, well-developed heroine who finds maybe not a soulmate but at least someone who cares about them. From the futuristic and mystical to the normal and ordinary, this anthology covers a wide scope of different kinds of teenagers and the relationships they start.

Meet Cute does what it sets out to do—it provides sweet and simple short stories all dealing with the beginning moment in a relationship. Most of the stories end right after the couple decides to get together or at least expresses mutual affection, which is nice in its own way. The book also features young women in relationships with boys and girls, which will appeal to many audiences but not all. While homosexual and transgender relationships and characters are present, none of the stories are obscene or graphic in any way. The stories themselves are fluffy and light-hearted, some better than others. Overall, this anthology is cute and pretty good, but not exceptionally well-written and does not stand out among other romance books or stories.

*Contains moderate language and mild sexual content.