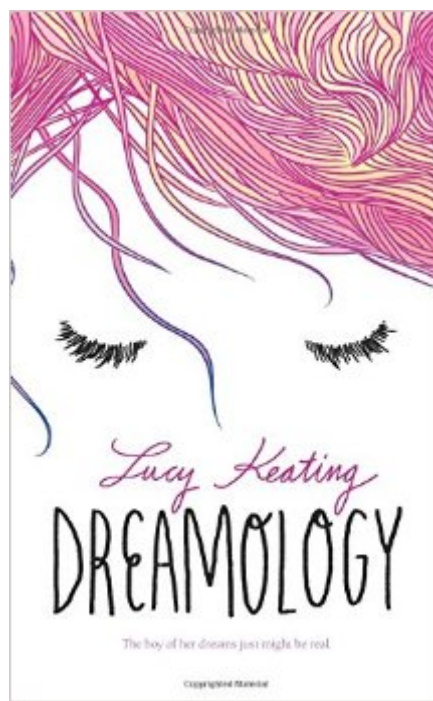


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## Synopsis

Vibrantly offbeat and utterly original, Lucy Keating's debut novel combines the unconventional romance of *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* with the sweetness and heart of *Jenny Han*. For as long as Alice can remember, she has dreamed of Max. Together, they have traveled the world and fallen deliriously, hopelessly in love. Max is the boy of her dreams—and only her dreams. Because he doesn't exist. But when Alice walks into class on her first day at a new school, there he is. Real Max is nothing like Dream Max. He's stubborn and complicated. And he has a whole life Alice isn't a part of. Getting to know each other in reality isn't as perfect as Alice always hoped. Alarmingly, when their dreams start to bleed into their waking hours, the pair realize that they might have to put an end to a lifetime of dreaming about each other. But when you fall in love in your dreams, can reality ever be enough?

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## Customer Reviews

I ordered this book Saturday and got it that Sunday. And I just started reading it Yesterday and Today I'm on page 110 and have 112 more to go. Its an amazing book. I love books where the person is like talking to you. I read about the book threw Facebook they had chapter two on there and after reading it I knew it was a must have. Once you start its hard to put down. I'm very pleased with it and can't wait to finish it. I'm sure I'll be reading it more then once.

I really thought that Dreamology had an original concept. Alice has been having dreams where she

meets up with this boy named Max. They've had all sorts of adventures over the years. And they've even fallen in love. I mean it kind of reminds me of one of those only-other-person-on-the-planet kind of things. When you dream about the same guy over and over for years falling in love seems kind of inevitable. Well Alice moves and the first day at her new school she runs into the real Max. The only problem is...he acts like he doesn't know her. It takes Alice a while to get Max to admit to dreaming about Alice too. And I guess you could say that this would be one of my biggest frustrations. Max was so back and forth. In person he could be downright mean to Alice, but in their dreams he always came back to her and acted like nothing had changed. Alice, of course, put up with his behavior because of how in love with him she is. The explanation of Max not being able to control his actions in the dreams was somewhat helpful. But it doesn't give him a pass for being a jerk in real life. Max even makes a statement that is one of my biggest red flags when it comes to relationships. Not wanting to lose someone is never the right reason to stay with them. There were a few mentions of modern technology/brands/icons that is a pet peeve of mine. It wasn't overdone, but I did roll my eyes a few times. When Dreamology first began I enjoyed the description of the dreams that Alice was having. They seemed so realistic in the way that dreams are so unrealistic. But as the book continued to progress and the dreams continued to be such a large portion of the story, I began to enjoy this less and less. Just a few too many dream sequences for me I guess. In the same way, Alice would comment in real life how events felt like a movie or a novel. And I couldn't help but think that while we all might have those moments in our lives that feel like fiction, I, as the reader, know that I'm reading fiction and for the character to make statements like this takes me out of the story rather than helping me relate to the character. Favorite quotes:-It surprises me, how a gesture so small can feel so very big. How sometimes you don't realize the nervousness or sadness you were holding deep inside until the touch of someone you love lets it all out of you, like your entire body is exhaling.-in times of extreme stress or trauma, humans of all ages will resort back to the fetal position, because it is an instinctual way to protect all our vital organs and because it reminds us of the safest place we all began, the womb. Dreamology was better than I expected in some ways. It was a book that I found easy to keep reading yet I won't exactly say that I was hooked. I had a few frustrations that kept me from enjoying it as much as I wanted to though. Dreamology gets 3 Stars from me. Have you read Dreamology? What did you think? Let me know!

My Thoughts: Let me start off by saying I <sup>am</sup> a big dreamer. I always remember my dreams so vividly and I always believe they mean something. A deeper memory. We are introduced to a girl named Alice who has always dreamed of a boy named Max. Alice has never met Max in real life.

He's just the boy of her dreams. Alice lives with her father and they move to a new city and that's where things get complicated. On the first day of school, she actually sees Max. Real Life Max. He isn't a dream at all. He's real, right in front of her. This sets off so many emotions in Alice. Confusion, happiness and she's just not so sure what to feel. But of course the real Max is quite different from the dream Max. For one thing he has a girlfriend. But that doesn't really stop Alice from wanting to know if he knows who she is too. Things start from there, and I can't say much else without telling you more about the dreams and how they got to be. I liked this one, I did. But I never really felt wholeheartedly into the story or the characters. I didn't outright love Max or Alice. At times, the whole story just felt too easy. Like how everything came together. I'm not saying that's a bad thing, I just wanted a bit more conflict or I start to lose interest. I thought this was an interesting take on dreams and what they can mean. Overall: I did like learning how Max and Alice were put together. I liked learning more about their dreams. I can see a lot of people really really loving this one but it just wasn't really one of my favorite contemps so far so this year. I haven't read many yet! I'd say this one was more of a 3.5 cupcake rating for me! Cover: Like it! Love her long eyelashes and how she looks asleep! What I'd Give It: 3/5 Cupcakes \_\_\_\_\_ Taken From Princess Bookie

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