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## All The World's A Stage

Seventeen-year-old Quinn Hughes needs to be in top shape if she wants to medal at the swimming World Championships in ten months. This means no easy distractions, no matter how pretty they are.

## All The World's A Stage Monologue

She's still piecing her confidence back together after not qualifying for the Olympics, her relationship with her twin brother is getting worse the more he hangs out with the popular kids, and then Kennedy Reed suddenly squeezes herself back into Quinn's life. The girl who was her best friend. The girl who gave Quinn her first kiss. The girl who hasn't spoken to her since.

## All The World's A Stage Quote

Soon, Quinn finds herself juggling her new girlfriend, training for the biggest competition of her life, and discovering she's not the only Hughes twin with a crush on Kennedy Reed. All these distractions are getting to her, and if she wants that medal she needs to find a way to stop drowning on dry land.

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For Quinn trying to redo her past Olympic trials and making it's future swim team -- the success would only add to her college credentials even with some difficulty at times but eventually so satisfying. She's an unassuming out teenager who likes to stay invisible at school and tends only to be focus on her swimming. So having a steady girlfriend was simply not in her heart's desire -- enter Kennedy: beautiful and popular at school,only hang with the popular kids,a star soccer player and was unsure about her sexuality.

The author included additional insights into their own thoughts and growing attraction -- with Quinn finally opening up to Kennedy about her feelings, she found something that she never felt before with anyone else: someone who felt and thinks the same way as her. While Kennedy, having no qualms about returning her obvious affections but only behind closed doors. With this strong attraction that led her to do some heartfelt soul-searching -- comes a choice of admitting to their relationship in the open or hiding behind her snobbish friends. But for Quinn, after finding herself she did realize that even if her life might seem okay on the outside it will only get better having Kennedy in it.

The action was perfectly balanced with a softer more emotional side to the storytelling. Nothing happened too fast and the storyline never dragged on: it was also perfectly paced,readers will get a few happy moments,it's also not all sunshine & rainbows and the writing showed the realism of young love;- you cannot rely on anyone to help you become who you really are.

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I really enjoyed and loved the story and I think we all have had our own teenage coming out moments in dealing with our own sexuality and the many questions. In the end I still wanted more of this book. A highly recommended YA story! ...more

## All The Worlds In Kh3

3.5 Stars. I thought this was a pretty good YA read. I also think this may be Miller's first book so I thought it was well written for a debut. I didn't love all of Miller's story choices but overall it was a decent read.

I have been reading quite a few YA lesfic books lately. Not sure what's going on but there seems to be more books coming out than usual. I always mention that I am not the biggest YA fan, but I'm starting to wonder if that is true. I have been enjoying these YA books more than I expected so I think I might have to start changing my tune.

One thing I look forward to in good YA books are ones that make you feel. Books that can make you cry one minute and fill you with good feels the next. That is what I wanted and I was glad to say this book delivered on that. I was really engrossed in this story and the first person POV of Quinn. I felt like I really understood her feelings and she was easy to connect with.

While this is a romance it is an angsty romance. Quinn is out and bullied for it by the popular crowd. Her potential love interest is happy being popular but struggles with the fact she may be bisexual and what would happen to her popular standing. This is a YA romance, but the intimate scenes are a little on the explicit side. Not over the top but the characters are seniors in high school so it is pretty realistic.

I think my biggest issue with this book and where it lost a bit in my rating was the end. I just wasn't crazy about it. It's not a bad ending but it left me feeling a bit unfinished. I was hoping the book would skip forward so we could experience more of Quinn's Olympic dreams. The swimming aspects of this book were interesting and made this stand out from a regular high school YA so I really wanted more. There is also another big storyline that is left unfinished but I don't want to spoiler anything by mentioning it. Again while it was realistic, it was disappointing. If I knew for sure Miller had plans to write a sequel, that Quinn's story was not over, I would feel a million times better about the ending.

If you are a YA fan, chances are you might enjoy this. It didn't completely work for me but it was a pretty good debut book. I'm keeping my fingers crossed we get a book 2.

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I recommend this one but don't expect fireworks!

So my rating is 3.5 but I rounded it up to 4 as this is a debut novel.

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## All The World's Flags

From the outset, I want to mention that this type of troupe is typically not my normal type of read. Yes, this one is definitely f/f, but it's definitely more of a YA/NA read. There are some lightly explicit sex scenes included, but it's rather tame with all characters in their senior year of high school, so all 17 or 18 years old. I would categorize the main themes of this one as coming out, friends to lovers, and second chance romance.

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The other MC Kennedy is one of the popular girls. She never participates in the bullying, but she never stops it either. Kennedy was Quinn's best friend growing up, but she moved away at 14 and when she came back everything changed. Starting on the first day of sophomore year, she ignores Quinn and won't even look her in the eye. We quickly find out that there was a kiss back on the eve of Kennedy moving, and all of their drama stems from this moment. Kennedy is not an out lesbian, and she feels that ignoring Quinn will help her stay in the closet. Since the book is now set in their senior year, it felt like Quinn forgave Kennedy extremely fast once they talked it out.

This novel had potential to be really impactful, especially to a younger audience, but left me feeling a bit meh. I wish that Miller has shown us more with Kennedy and Liam standing up to the bullying on Quinn's behalf, but that never happened. I do applaud Quinn's maturity in her handling of the situation at the ending, but I think it will leave a lot of readers wanting more.

There's mention in the acknowledgments that this was Miller's written first novel, even though it wasn't her first that was published, and I think that showed a bit. Maybe it will work better for younger

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audiences. Although I enjoyed the read, this one just felt like it could have been so much more... I guess this one just left me wondering what the point of this read was once it was over. 3.5 stars.

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All the Worlds Between Us is a promising YA debut from Morgan Lee Miller. I have to admit it is one of my first f/f reads, and it is quite enlightening to view a relationship in a young lesbian's eyes. The great thing about this read is the influence of sports, specifically swimming, in the life of the main character and having it a large factor in her decision making throughout her senior year.

Quinn is a high school senior slash amazing world class swimming athlete. She has achieved so much at such a young age and is still facing heavy-bearing (Olympics level) meets in the near future plus landing College athletic scholarship grants. This equate no distractions, no holds barred training in the distant future.

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But, life gets in the way. Ex bestfriend Kennedy Reed is squeezing her way back to Quinn's life. Twin brother Liam might also have feelings for Kennedy. Ex girlfriend Riley also might be trying to win Quinn back.

This is such an amazing YA read because of how admirable Quinn is. She is out and proud of it. She knows herself and what she wants. Her parents are the sweetest and backs her up. She has groups of friends, too.

The relationship she has with Kennedy is also eye-opening, as Kennedy is not really out yet. It is a journey of giving support to your partner and being patient as coming out is a different experience for every individual.

All in all, this is a great YA contemporary. Light and fun but also very angsty. Also with a surprisingly steamy descriptive sex scenes for a YA, almost written as New Adult. Best part for me I think is how mature Quinn handled romantic life decisions in the face of all the changes awaiting her.

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It's probably the first time I read a second chance romance where the main characters are teenagers. And the way this one goes, Quinn and Kennedy might need a third chance later on.

What I like in YA novels is the rollercoaster of feelings: discovering oneself, not just one's sexual orientation but who one is or will be, is a complex journey for most people. My favorite YA novels are the ones that make me cry one moment and feel that life is going to be good the next. This one definitely delivered on that front. I'm not a fan of the ending, but that's on me. I always wish for the ending to be HEA or at least HFN but what I wish for is not always what fits best in a book. So while I was a bit disappointed here, this ending is completely realistic and logical.

I wish the author had gone deeper into the relationship between Quinn and Liam, but I really liked the friendship between Quinn and straight friend Gabriel and everything about Quinn's swimming. I also like how the book deals with coming out, falling for someone who is not out, the various ways parents react to their kid coming out! I'm writing this a lot these days, but I'm so impressed with a lot of debut novels at the moment, and I'm really looking forward to what's coming next.

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Oh wow. I loved this a lot. It was so much more impactful than I thought it would be. I thought this was just gonna be a quick, light book but it was so much more. This is definitely an important book that handles a lot of important topics. Friendship, family, discovering your sexuality, finding yourself, accepting yourself.. It was a beautiful yet heartbreaking story. I hope this book gets the recognition it deserves.

I really enjoyed Morgan Lee Miller's writing, the fact that she more than once mentions Lexa from The 100 made my heart very very happy. I think all characters were very well thought out and I loved them all. This book made me laugh, it made me cry.. at one point I was listening to a song mentioned and just sat there for a good 10 minutes tearing up.

The only thing I had a problem with in this book was how she sometimes treated her friend and ex girlfriend Riley. The way she left to pick up her brother and then just didn't text or call her back or anything was kind of... yeah. Then I also thought Riley was a bit annoying but she made up for it by the end. I also didn't like the way Quinn said multiple times that Kennedy didn't want to come out cause she was embarrassed about Quinn. Coming out to everyone you know, friends and family is a very scary thing and I felt that if anyone could understand that it was Quinn.

I rated this book 4/5 stars, it would've been a 5/5 if not for those two things but overall it was amazing for being Morgan Lee Miller's first novel and I can't wait to see what she'll publish in the future, I'm definitely hoping for a sequel to this one. ...more

## All The World's Oceans

First love.

Quinn is a senior in high school. But she is not your typical teenager. She has a strict training schedule outside of school because she is swimming athlete going for Olympic qualification.

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The relationship between Quinn and Kennedy was initially surprising as it is rooted with some backstory. This made it feel authentic.

I struggled with the tone of the book overall. I felt like this should be YA as it deals with high school. But there were explicit sex scenes.

All the usual topics addressed: Crushes, Coming Out, Bullying, etc.

The ending was... meh.

I recommend to those who like to read romance, high school stories, angst, and croggling.

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Quinn and Kennedy were best friends as kids until Kennedy left just before high school, but not without a first kiss that changed both their lives forever. Now Quinn is just starting her senior year of high school and she's dedicating her sole focus to swimming. But when Kennedy returns, she refuses to talk

to Quinn and instead hangs out with the popular group, which likes to pick on Quinn. Quinn doesn't need distractions at a time like this, but when the opportunity to reconnect with the only person she's ever loved comes up, how can she refuse. Even if it means risking everything.

This was a very very cute romance. One of those classically sweet books about reconnecting and falling in love with your best friend you always thought was straight but magically she wasn't. I love reading about first love, because even as you fall in love, you're still finding yourself. Not everything fits into place in a young romance. You're still discovering yourself and seeing if that person reconciles with what you thought you were. It's very realistic and natural and just a beautiful story of how deep your first love can be. I loved Kennedy a lot. I also liked that Quinn was accomplished and strong, she wasn't played like a gay girl who needed rescuing.

I loved the big role family and the other supporting characters played in the story. Its very realistic, the number of people that fit into your circle when you're young, everyone seems so important.

This was an exceptional first novel by Morgan Lee Miller and I look forward to their fall release.

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## All The Worlds In Wizard101

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### What I Liked

#### Quinn

Quinn Hughes is the level of put together and confidence that I someday strive to be but will probably never reach. She is a world class athlete? Sheâ€™s in AP classes? She keeps up a semi-decent social life? She is confident in her sexuality and out? When I was in AP classes all I did was AP classes, I also canâ€™t imagine ever being out and completely confident about it so Quinn is honestly a super star in my mind. I love love love how dedicated she is to swimming and getting to the Olympics one day, I believe in her and am very proud of her.

#### Quinnâ€™s relationship with her parents

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Quinn's parents aren't in the book that much (lets be realistic, when are parents uber present in YA books?) but when they were they were super supportive and proud of her and I always appreciate that a lot so I just had to include that in here some how.

### The wholesome romance

I spent half of my time reading this snapchatting my friends about the "wholesome gays" because I loved it so much and it made me so happy. I had a smile on my face for the first 30% of this book because Kennedy and Quinn were super cute. They had some issues towards the end of the book that I really want to discuss with someone but can't because of spoilers but I will say that I really enjoyed how where their relationship was at the end of this book. It was at a shockingly mature place for two recent high school grads and I'm really proud of them.

I feel like I have just said everything and nothing about their relationship? But that's just how my reviews are to be honest. Just know that I loved it and that for the most part its super sweet and wholesome.

### What I Didn't Like

#### Girl hate (?)

The (?) should be noted in this heading because I am still not sure that is what I should label this heading. Quinn had an antagonist relationship with a side character that at first seemed to very much just be the cliché girl hate that comes in high school romances but later the character gave Quinn plenty of justifiable reasons to be angry with her. Needless to say I'm conflicted? Like it would have been completely unrealistic for the pair to make up and become friends and I probably would have been upset if they did. Anyways, I'm conflicted, but such is life sometimes I guess.

#### Some lines of conversation about coming out

Kennedy, the main love interest, isn't out yet. She is still figuring out what her sexuality and a lot of other things about herself and that is perfectly okay. However, her and Quinn had a fight about Kennedy not wanting to own her sexuality and it opened up some not so good lines of conversation concerning coming out. One of Quinn's friends called her out on it and she retracted her statements and I did really appreciate it but it is still kind of harmful? Like, as a closeted gay, I know just how scary and hard coming out is and any type of message about how you have to immediately own it is potentially very harmful. Anyways, I more so just put this in as a warning to others just to be aware that this happens.

### Overall Thoughts

I really loved this book! Like, way more than I was expecting it to. It was really happy and a great

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distraction from finals week hell. There were a few things that I wasn't a big fan of, but I enjoyed the majority of it like a lot. I would recommend this book to anyone looking for a cute contemporary (its especially great for pride month, wink wink, nudge nudge). ...more

2.5 stars - netgalley arc

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Quinn is a well rounded character, if a little annoying at times. She's doubtful, and a little naive but she's also really passionate about swimming - she almost never lets any of her social issues effect her future career. (view spoiler)[The major issue I had with Quinn was that she treats her friend Riley, like dirt. Riley was probably my favourite character in the whole book!

Also, Gabriel is introduced as her "platonic boyfriend" and then... is hardly in the book? Which leads me on to the fact that I was just really disappointed that the main focus of this book is Kennedy Reed, who quite frankly, was really boring. I didn't get her character and I really didn't need a description of her appearance every time Quinn saw her.

With the writing, I often found myself questioning whether the repetition was on purpose or if the editor of this book simply didn't see the issues that were so blatant to me. Some of the conversations between Quinn and Kennedy were really awkwardly written, unlike the organic chats she seemed to have with her swimming friends and Riley.

In conclusion, I think there's something nice about this book, especially with the friendships and focus on putting yourself first. I will definitely keep an eye out for more books from Morgan Lee Miller to see how her books develop. (hide spoiler)]

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## All The World's A Stage Rush

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I think the only reason I didn't LOVE this was that it's not super mature. But like, it's about teenagers so it really doesn't have to be. I think I would have enjoyed it a lot more as a teen, and I can't judge it too harshly because I am not the target audience.Â

I loved the main character, Quinn, a lot. I think it's super interesting that she's a serious swimmer. I liked Kennedy and Gabriel a lot too. I didn't love Liam much, but he seemed sincere in the end.Â

Parts of this were SO cute that I was almost in tears. Like when Quinn and Kennedy go to Swensen's to talk everything out. That was probably my favorite scene.Â

Overall I think this was a really cute read and I'm so excited that girls first exploring their sexuality will have a book like this! ...more

This is my first YA novel, and admittedly I wasn't sure what to expect. If this is the standard, then teenagers today are so lucky. Written in first person from Quinn's POV, we get access to her dreams of

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swimming success along with how she handles the near constant bullying from the popular kids for her owning of her queerness. Quinn's parents are fantastic and very supportive. Her brother is her twin, which led me to expect more support from him because of the "twin thing". There were an awful lot of parties and a LOT of underage drinking throughout the book. In New York state is the legal age 18? Or 19? It seemed like the access to alcohol was easier than normal and there were zero bad consequences from all the drinking. Would all the parents just be okay with it?

As this is my first YA, I was surprised at the fairly explicit love scenes, but they were extremely well written and sensitive. I REALLY wouldn't want to be in high school again. There was a lot of angst due to the whole clique thing and the high school end-of-the-world thing, and I thought the ending was pretty realistic. I would be very interested in another installment post-college that has Quinn and Kennedy catching up. ...more

## All The World's A Stage Meaning

reading this made me realize how much i need more lgbt+ books in my life

5/3/2019: I GOT IT!! I GOT IT

This is gay ex friends-to-lovers, and you guys are sleeping on this smh