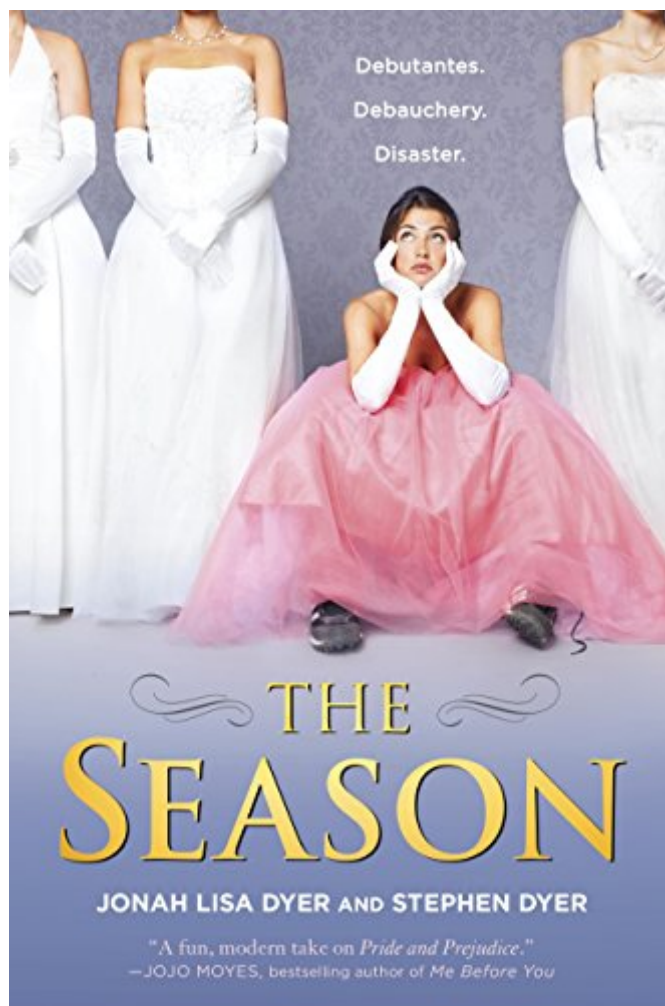


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The Season



Synopsis

“A fun, modern take on *Pride and Prejudice*.” —Jojo Moyes, bestselling author of *Me Before You*

In this hilarious reboot of *Pride and Prejudice*, Megan McKnight is a soccer star with Olympic dreams. When her Southern belle mother secretly enters her as a debutante for the 2016 deb season in their hometown of Dallas, she’s furious—and has no idea what she’s in for. Megan’s attitude swiftly gets her on probation with the mother hen of the debs, and she’s given a month to prove she can ballroom dance, display impeccable manners, and curtsy like a proper Texas lady or she’ll get the boot and disgrace her family. The perk of being a debutante, of course, is going to parties, and it’s at one of these lavish affairs where Megan gets swept off her feet by the debonair and down-to-earth Hank Waterhouse. If only she didn’t have to contend with a backstabbing blonde and her handsome but surly billionaire boyfriend, Megan thinks, being a deb might not be so bad after all. But that’s before she humiliates herself in front of a room full of ten-year-olds, becomes embroiled in a media-frenzy scandal, and gets punched in the face by another girl. The season has officially begun—but the drama is just getting started. Find out for yourself why this pitch-perfect blend of scandal, romance, and humor is being hailed as the best Austen adaptation since *Clueless*. From the Hardcover edition.

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Customer Reviews

I absolutely enjoyed this book. I made the mistake of starting it at my daughter's swim meet. And I promptly missed her swimming because I was so caught up in the book. The chapter titles alone made me giggle. The antics of Megan and her family certainly lived up to each title. I've read other reviews that said it was a new take on Pride and Prejudice. If so, maybe my junior year English teacher will finally get that book report. I could NEVER get into that book. I tried. But this? Sucked me in with the first chapter and I didn't stop until I finished the book, less than 24 hours later. If you're looking for a lighthearted fun read, this is it.

The story line was the same as Pride and Prejudice, just in present day Dallas. There were also some scenes that were so over the top they were unbelievable. I also felt that this book was not appropriate for teen readers.

I truly enjoyed this book. Megan was a hoot and, as the original P&P has always been one of my favorite reads, it was such fun trying to figure out who was the current counterpart to the original. Also, having lived in Dallas since 1997 and spending near 2 decades being a club soccer mom, the setting was very near to my heart. How unique to see the juxtaposition of soccer and debutantes! I know the Dallas soccer world intimately but found the entire deb scene to be of great interest as I have never been there, done that, - I can easily imagine such being true. When I first moved to the Big D I was told my hair was not pouffy enough and that ladies dressed (hair, make up, outfits - the whole 9 yards) to go to the grocery store. Rumour has it that SMU (Southern Methodist University) is one of the top choices for college of this set. I have heard that a woman attending and wanting to be part of the social scene had better be wealthy as they lunch at top restaurants in the neighborhood near daily. And yes, the \$\$\$\$ spent on clothing is outrageous. Dallas abounds with consignment stores selling gowns that have been worn 1x by these women, but there is an increasing frequency of holding auctions of these gowns to raise additional funds for charity. Back to the book, some of the special scenes I loved were of Megan and Ann. I truly enjoyed Ann and how she and Megan came together over the course of their interactions. It seemed to me that a real turning point for Megan was when she was washing the exquisite china that Anne used to serve tea, and Megan suddenly saw how precious and fragile the

pieces were. I feel as though Megan became a woman that day. I also loved that Anne attended Megan's soccer game - the 2 worlds saw insight into each other's spheres and came out the better for it. The only thing I regret is that The Season was not longer. I would have loved more dialogue between Megan and Anne, and Megan and Andrew - some more extended verbal sparring would have been fun as the characters developed over the events at hand, as well as growing insight into their increasing affection and respect for each other. The uncovering & resolution of Hank's underhandedness seemed a tad rushed to me, and minimized the suspense and magnitude of social ruin faced by the family. Nevertheless, I was sorry when I finished the book, - I wanted more and am now hoping for a sequel!!PS One item about the soccer world: in high school at least, the parents are as intimately involved as the players for Club Soccer. It is a family undertaking, with moms & dads shouldering much of the work for travel and tournament logistics, as well as the entire uniform ordering process. Practice is 4-5x per week, with games virtually every weekend. The soccer season starts in June with tryouts for teams (players do not necessarily stay with 1 team every year), and then in August with tryouts for competitive divisions. That means players are practicing in 100+ degree heat all summer, 2x per day. Once the season starts, every weekend is consumed with games. The season goes until May. Most competitive players also play high school soccer as well. Over the holidays there are road trips to compete against teams in other states. Your life is controlled by the soccer schedule! This being said, college soccer is equally intense from what I have heard, and for Megan to try to handle both soccer and deb commitments is truly impressive if not an act of folly for a normal human!

I love any story what follows the Pride and Prejudice theme. And although, this one stayed true and didn't have any detailed sex scenes, it did have strong language and many references to sex. They are not needed, to write a good story. I'm sorry the author felt compelled to make the heroin foul mouthed with multiple sexual partners. Without them, it would have been 5 stars.

Really loved this book. Has a classic style and form, but set in modern day Dallas. Great summer read for everyone and recommend for tweens, teens and college. Story of Megan who doesn't like to be judged on her outward appearance and actions, yet she is quick to judge others. She learns not to judge so quickly and how to show the world who she really is.

Just finished, "The Season", written by Jonah Lisa and Stephen Dyer. Loved every minute of it. "Pride and Prejudice" is one of my all time favorite books and it was so much fun being drawn into

this 2106 Texas version. I have too many parts that I enjoyed to name any one. You all just need to read it. It is categorized a young adult book but I am far, far past a young adult and loved it. I am now going to LOAN it to my grand daughter!

A few things: This book read like YA but its content is New Adult. I felt no connection to the characters. I saw zero sparks between the Elizabeth and Darcy characters - his confession comes later in the novel and it seems like only a few pages later Megan is like, okay, you're a good guy. Where's the letter?! That was always my favorite part of P&P. On the plus side, I did feel the authors did a good job translating Regency upper crust society to a modern setting. But just like Curtis Sittenfeld's "Eligible," a good translation does not necessarily a good story make. Like that ambitious P&P update, I give this 3.5 stars.

I enjoyed 'The Season', it was a fun read. I didn't know anything about Texas debutantes, but now I feel like I do. The prose flows right along, the descriptions of the ranch and the debutante parties are moving and feel true. The dialogue is crisp, and right when I wanted to put the book down, something unexpected but nicely foreshadowed would happen, so I ended up reading it all at one go. I also thought, if I was a Texas debutante, this would be an excellent book to read for good information, because being a debutante turns out not to be easy. Scot Crawford author of DoublejackDoublejack (Ilya Book 1)

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