

***Lemon Curd***

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Ms. Pourasgari has written an exceptional book about relationships, assumptions and controlling individuals. Her first novel is well written and very easy to read. As readers you will be able to relate to her story.

Anna Lisa Gibson works at a highly-regarded marketing firm and likes to be in control in her work atmosphere. Her boyfriend also works for the firm. Believing that all is going smoothly, she finds that her boss is sending someone in from the London office to help her with a large account. Not only does she feel that he is saying she can't handle the job, she resents the fact that she has to share this job with this interloper.

As she works on her anger she goes to a market to get lemon curd, her stress reliever and finds there is only one bottle left and she can't reach it. A tall young man comes in and takes the last bottle. She gets very upset and demands that he give it to her as she saw it first. This leads to a little verbal argument.

Her boyfriend Paul is attentive, but something is missing and she can't quite put her finger on it. No one in her family or office like him- they feel he is using her and is very flirtatious with other females. Although in her mind she has some questions about their relationship, she doesn't feel concerned.

When her new working partner shows up to work, it is none other than the horrible man who stole her lemon curd and sparks begin to fly. She finds him stuffy, arrogant and yet he is attractive.

"Lemon Curd" by Homa Pourasgari is a down-to-earth romance novel, that all can relate to. It is very captivating from the first page. Each reader will be able to understand how relationships can be confusing and harmful, yet we tend to ignore the warning signs.