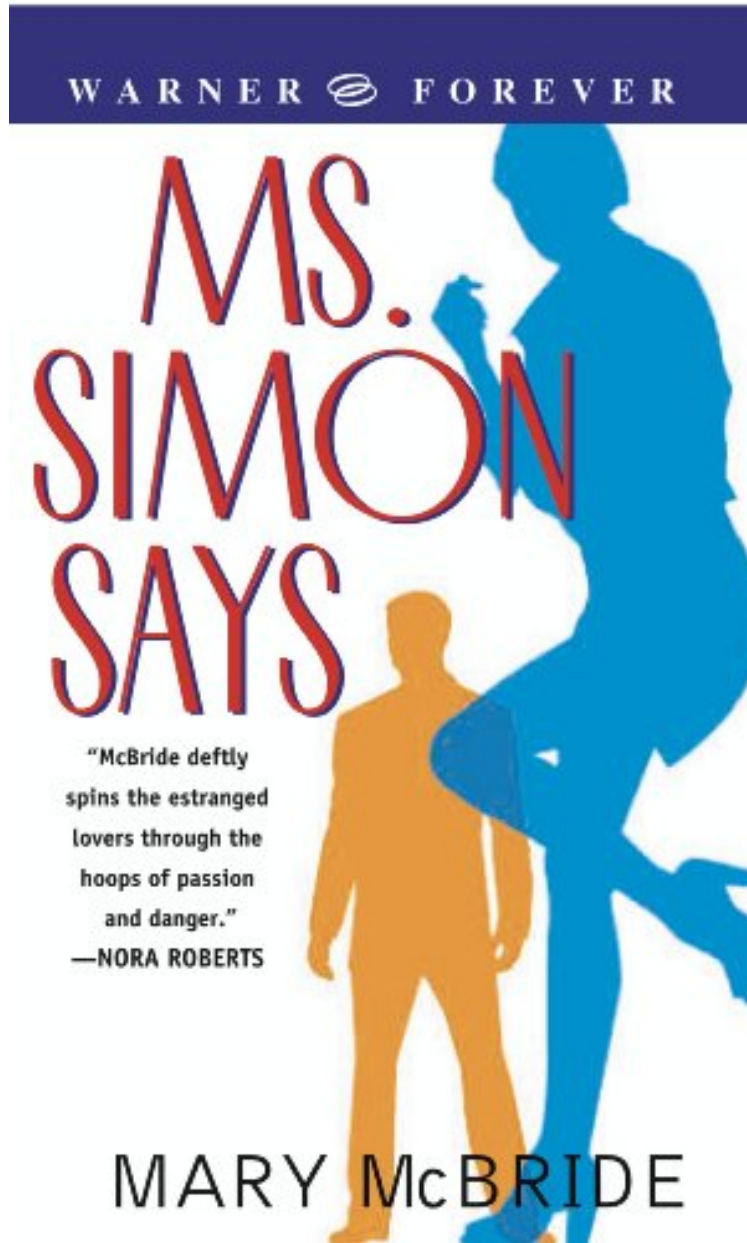



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Von Mary McBride : Ms. Simon Says (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ms. Simon Says (English Edition):

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Simon says so Von Skatersally Mary McBride mixed hier Krimi mit Love-Story. Ihre Protagonistin Shelby Simon arbeitet als Kummerkastentante bei einer Zeitung in Chicago. Plötzlich explodieren mehrere Briefbomben in ihrer Umgebung. Zu ihrer eigenen Sicherheit wird sie beurlaubt und zusätzlich Lieutenant Mick Callahan an ihre Seite gestellt. Er soll sie zu ihren Eltern bringen, die in einer idyllischen Umgebung in Michigan wohnen. Aber auch dort bleibt sie nicht lange verschont. Mit ominösen Anrufen und einer weiteren Explosion geht es weiter. Doch wer hat sie im Visier? Aber nicht nur diese Frage beschäftigt Shelby. Schnell hat sie in ihrem Beschützer den Mann fürs Leben erkannt und veranlasst ihn, sein eigenes Seelenleben zu ergründen. Außerdem kümmert sie sich noch um die Versöhnung ihrer Eltern. Ms Simon says ist sehr gefühlvoll und gleichzeitig spannend geschrieben, dass man fast traurig ist, die letzte Seite erreicht zu haben. Zum Glück ist ein weiterer Roman (Say it again Sam) erschienen, bei dem wenigstens die Personen wieder eine Rolle spielen.

Kurzbeschreibung Opposites attract when an advice columnist gets involved with a rogue cop. From Publishers Weekly In this frustrating effort from McBride (My Hero, etc.), the glossy world of Chicago advice columnist Shelby Simon collapses when she becomes the target of a letter bomber. Police lieutenant Mick Callahan drives her to her parents' mansion in the Michigan hinterlands, then stays to keep her safe. Amid rural pleasures, the two fall in love despite the fears Mick carries after being betrayed by both his mother and his late wife. Though others are killed, Shelby encounters little danger until the evening of the local Halloween costume gala, where the culprit makes a final attempt on her life. McBride's letter bomb premise will strike many readers as implausible; her story displays an obvious lack of awareness of how a multi-state letter bombing campaign would play out in the post-9/11 world. In addition, Shelby emerges as smug, controlling and, for an advice columnist, wildly unobservant; among other blunders, she actually draws the bomber someone she has ample clues to distrust directions to her hideaway. Although McBride's portrait of the rough-edged yet sensitive Mick is drawn with winning depth and the marital sparring between Shelby's parents is funny and insightful, these virtues fail to offset the story's slapdash plotting and unsympathetic heroine. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist Shelby Simon finds it surreal that news outlets are reporting that letter bombs are exploding all over the country due to her advice column. Her boss decides to put her column on hiatus, and the local police send a burnt-out cop to play bodyguard, but it isn't until Shelby's mailman is a victim right before her eyes that she truly believes she's in danger. Mick Callahan is in no way eager to babysit, but when the letter bomb explodes, he's all business as he throws Shelby into his old fast-back and screams away from the scene. They stop at his run-down apartment, pick up a few things, and make their way to Shelby's summer home. It doesn't take long before she starts seeing Mick as more than a cynical bodyguard, or for him to see Shelby as attractive and affable rather than as the stuck-up snob he first imagined. McBride offers a witty and effervescent story of unexpected love. Maria Hatton Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved