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Lovereading Reader reviews of **Off The Page** **Jodi Picoult & Samantha Van Leer**



Below are the complete reviews, written by Lovereading members.

Amy Laws, age 14

So imaginative and creative - I loved 'Off The Page' from beginning to end.

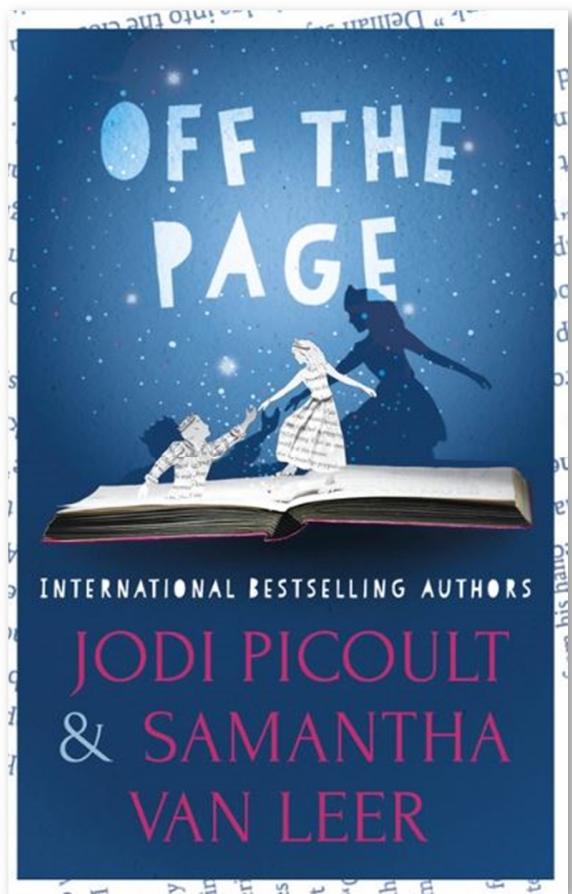
I am a massive fan of 'Between The Lines', which is the first book in series but 'Off The Page' was certainly not a let-down. Although 'Off The Page' can be read as a standalone novel, I would recommend reading 'Between The Lines' first.

Firstly, the idea behind the book really captured my imagination. The story explores the idea that each time a book is opened, the characters act out the story, like in a play and 'Off The Page' follows the story of Oliver and how he adapts to the world outside of the book he was trapped in.

I also liked how there were three separate stories running alongside each other, one from each of the main characters' points of view and it allows you to see the different thoughts and viewpoints of the characters which allows you to obtain a greater understanding of the story.

In addition, the story shows how a book requires readers to turn it into a story and this idea really fascinated me and encouraged me to keep reading.

Overall, I loved 'Off The Page' and would definitely recommend it to fans of fantasy novels.



Stacie Ball

Perfect for first time readers of Jodi Picoult, a sequel to 'Between The Lines' or a standalone, 'Off The Page' is sure to leave you smiling from ear to ear and full of happy feelings.

In 'Between The Lines' I fell in love with Delilah's and Oliver's story. Against all odds I found myself relating to how Delilah felt about being alone and sometimes connecting with people in books more than real life, how when its true love people will do everything they can in their power to be together. I was so happy to hear that Jodi and her daughter would be making a sequel to the book and very surprised to read that it could also act as a standalone.

Personally I think you have to read the previous book to really appreciate the relationship that Delilah and Oliver have and what they have sacrificed to be where they are today.

My favorite thing about 'Off The Page' was seeing Oliver try to adjust to being a normal teenager and adapt to school life. It was lovely to see the couple together, and to see Edgar experience the world that his mum built for him. But don't be fooled because this book is more than just a teen contemporary, its packed full of emotional and tough subjects and just when you think that everyone has what they want, hard choices have to be made that will effect everything. If you are looking for a book that is sure to have a spot in your heart for years to come, 'Off The Page' is the perfect one.

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Alex McCalla, age 15

Both are such amazing writers. Couldn't get my head out of the book!

This book was so amazing. I literally couldn't keep my head out of it. Felt like I was living the fairy tale. Some parts of the story felt like I could really connect to Oliver and Delilah. Was such a sweet romance story with the natural couple problems, but that made it feel so much more real. Made me want to find a Genie and wish my favourite character out of a book!

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Destiny Maraj, age 14

'Off The Page' was an interesting and intriguing read with a fascinating and original storyline, I loved the depth all the characters were described in and how I could paint a picture of them in my mind, I really loved reading 'Off The Page'.

Freya Tilsley, age 13

It made me laugh, it made me cringe and turn the page. Overall a really imaginative, brilliant take on a fairy tale.

'Off The Page' by Jodie Picoult and Samantha Van Leer is a Y/A romance book about Oliver a fairy tale prince who comes to life. Delia a high school student, reads his book and falls in love with him.

It made me laugh, but also cringe at times because of the way he acted – fine in a fairy tale but not in real life!

The story is imaginative and I really enjoyed reading it, even though it is not the sort of book that I would normally read. Really want to read the previous book – 'Between The Lines' now.

Edel Waugh

This is book two in the love story about Oliver and Delilah. I loved the first book so I could not wait to see what was going to happen to these characters now. The idea of characters coming to life really appealed to me - especially the idea that they have their own life when the book is closed. Delilah lives in the real world and Oliver lives in a book. Delilah first met Oliver in book 1 but in this book we meet them as they try to get Oliver out of the book and someone else in to replace him. This is full of complications, but they do find someone willing in the real world and he is Edgar. Edgar is going through life problems and stress and is more than happy to abandon his life and Oliver replaces him and carries on living in his house with his mum. It takes Oliver to notice that Edgar's mum is having a rough time too. This was a tearjerker, heart-breaker book filled with smiles and hope. I loved these characters so much, and especially a loyal little dog called Frump.

<http://edelwaugh.blogspot.ie/2015/11/off-page-by-jodi-picoult-and-samantha.html?m=1>

Emma Hughes

I had finished this book within a day, it captures you into the magic of the story right from the first page. A very enjoyable read!

Amelia White, age 16

Amazing book, it's a story in a story about love and magic... A modern fairy tale!

I have to say I really enjoyed reading this book - the author takes you on a magical fairy tale. Oliver and Delilah are both amazing characters and I love their story; even though they go through struggles they are happy together. I especially like the concept of a story in a story, as it really helps you imagine what's happening and put yourself in the characters shoes. What I enjoyed the most is how the author writes notes throughout the story, it really helps you think about what you've just read and consider what might happen next. I also really like how there are images throughout the story as well it makes the book feel like an old fairy tale which I haven't read in ages.

Overall I loved this book and would recommend it to young adults and teens, the collaboration of two authors' works really well!!

Delilah Acworth

'Off The Page' was a charming romantic tale, splattered with comedy and heartthrob. Thankfully this story is not two dimensional; it contains multi levels of adventure and magic, definitely not one stuck in the pothole of a 'teenage romance' book. To be recommended to girls who love unconventional love stories with a twist, after all, we all fall for a literary hero at least once, right?

Izzy Read, age 15

A clever blend of fantasy and reality, 'Off The Page' is a companion to 'Between The Lines', and follows Oliver and Delilah's journey becoming an ordinary couple in the real world as well as Edgars Adventures inside the novel. I loved the offhand humour of this book, however the different POVs did get a bit confusing at times. All in all, 'Off The Page' is an exhilarating, comforting fairy tale that has crazy beautiful illustrations along with it.

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