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Book Reviews



Stowe, T. (2018). *Mojave rescue*. Toronto, ON: Canada. Harlequin Love Inspired Suspense. 224 pp. \$3.99. ISBN 9781488087738

Drina Gallagher is an engineer working on a project to create something that will disrupt weaponry without risking lives. One dark night in her lab on Edward's Airforce Base she makes a call to her boss saying she's made an amazing breakthrough. As she leaves the lab she is brutally kidnapped by a gang of traitorous weapons dealers and is rescued by CIA agent Cal Norwood. Drina is motivated in her work for which she must now risk her life, by the loss of her first love in Afghanistan. She wants to spare other soldiers and their loved ones. She isn't sure if she trusts, or even believes in God. Cal is a believer but is motivated by his own loss. Together they go on a chilling (often literally) adventure through the Mohave desert as they dodge the traitors looking for Drina and the information on her laptop. Their arguments sometimes making the trip even more rocky. Drina secretly comes to trust Cal and think of him as a "superman." Besides being brave, he is handsome, smart and a gourmet chef who will even do dishes! Cal is falling for Drina, too, though she might not always trust his judgement and doesn't approve of him being a sometimes lethal "spy." In the end Drina gains a trust in God and discovers that only He is perfect and all-knowing. They both also learn that grace as well as trust is necessary for true love.

This is a quick and entertaining read. This was in an e-book but could make a good addition to a public library fiction collection (depending on what formats they collect).

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