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Some of the rules have been easy to follow, like #5, *never die your hair a color of the rainbow*, or #7, *never hook up with a teacher*. But Dave has a secret: he's broken rule #8, *never pine silently after someone for the entirety of high school*. It's either that or break rule #10, *never date your best friend*. Dave has loved Julia for as long as he can remember.

Julia is beautiful, wild and impetuous. So when she suggests they do every Never on the list, Dave is happy to play along. He even dyes his hair an unfortunate shade of green. It starts as a joke, but then a funny thing happens: Dave and Julia discover that by skipping the clichés, they've actually been missing out on high school. And maybe even on love.

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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 9 Up—Before they started high school, best friends Dave and Julia made a list of things they'd never do: never go on an epic, life-changing road trip, never dye their hair a color found in the rainbow, and so on. But four years later, high school is about to come to an end and Dave and Julia decide to tackle every single item on the list. They learn that parties and running for prom king can actually be fun, though dyeing your hair can go either way. But while Dave has been violating one item on their list—"never pine silently after someone for the entirety of high school"—all along, someone else has started to catch his eye. Aside from a cringe-worthy subplot when Julia attempts to cross "never hook up with a teacher" off the list, this fun romp will appeal to students looking to push beyond the edges of their own comfort zones. **VERDICT** For fans of Stephanie Perkins, Jenny Han, and Jennifer E. Smith.—Stephanie Klose, School Library Journal

Review

"There is a kernel of truth in every cliché, and Alsaid cracks the teen-lit trope of friends becoming lovers wide open, exposing a beautiful truth inside. He also perfectly captures the golden glow of senioritis, a period when teens are bored and excited and wistful and nostalgic all at once. Everything is possible in this handful of weeks, including making up for squandered time." -Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Alsaid deftly handles Dave's complicated and longstanding feelings for Julia. The clever banter between the two best friends, along with pitch-perfect emotional resonance, makes this book more enduring in spite of its predictability. With all the fun of a classic teen movie, this one should fly off the shelves." -Booklist

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"Exploring universal feelings of friendship and love, Alsaid (Let's Get Lost) offers a colorful depiction of two teens discovering what they have in common with others. Their escapades and realizations will evoke laughter and empathy." -Publishers Weekly

"Alsaid's latest takes a really fun look at the question that romantic comedies have asked again and again: Can a man and a woman ever be just friends...the author takes an in-depth look at a fascinating pair of individuals and the messiness of a relationship that develops under dubious circumstances. Julia particularly is a fascinating character; her growth throughout the novel is truly remarkable." -RT Book Reviews

"An utterly charming and thoughtful meditation on love, friendship and all the territories in between." - Nicola Yoon, author of Everything, Everything

"A refreshing novel about friendship and romance that defies cliché, Never Always Sometimes will win readers over with its hilarious musings and universal truths." -Adam Silvera, author of More Happy Than Not

About the Author

Adi Alsaid was born and raised in Mexico City. He attended college at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. After graduating, he packed up his car and escaped to the California coastline to become a writer. He's now back in his hometown, where he writes, coaches basketball, and makes every dish he eats as spicy as

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