



So We Meet Again

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Introduction

“A cinematic, charming heart-squeeze-of-a-book that has found its way to my Ultimate Comfort Reads shelf.” —Emily Henry, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

From the author of the “genuinely funny” and “delightful” *Loathe at First Sight* (NPR), a young Korean American woman’s journey to finding a new career and new love means learning to embrace the awkward and unexpected—exploring familial expectations, finding your voice, and unimaginably falling for your childhood rival.

When investment banker Jessie Kim is laid off in a virtual meeting and then overhears why (“she’s already being overpaid anyway for a woman” and “Asians are worker bees, not someone who can drum up new deals”) she delivers an “eff you guys” speech and storms out.

After moving back home to Tennessee to live with her loving but meddling mother and father, she runs into her childhood nemesis—golden child Daniel Choi—at the local Asian grocery store. The smart, charming lawyer appears to have it all...while Jessie has nothing.

Jess begrudgingly accepts Daniel’s help to relaunch her long abandoned Korean cooking YouTube channel: HANGUK HACKS, showcasing easy meal prep for busy professionals. But just as she discovers Daniel’s life isn’t as perfect as it seems and there’s more to him than meets the eye, he shows up for a life-changing business opportunity, and their rivalry is back on . . .

“A funny, lovely mother-daughter story. And then there’s Daniel—yummy Daniel—and great food. Settle in and enjoy!” —Susan Elizabeth Phillips, *New York Times* bestselling author

“*So We Meet Again* is a hilarious read. What can go wrong when, after a quarter-life crisis, you move back in with your hyper-competitive parents? This comeback story will charm you from beginning to end.” —Madeleine Henry, author of *The Love Proof* and *Breathe In, Cash Out*

Questions for Discussion

1. Describe Jessie's relationship with her mother. Do you think they have a close relationship? How do they express love to each other?
 2. Have you ever worked in a male dominated work environment like Jessie has in investment banking? Have you had any similar experiences to Jessie's?
 3. Do you think it was the right choice for Jessie to become an entrepreneur instead of going back to the corporate world? What would you have done if you were in her shoes?
 4. When Jessie moves back home, her mother tries to set her up with Daniel. Have family members ever meddled in your dating life? Have you ever been set up?
 5. Although the last time Jessie and Daniel saw each other was in middle school, he was happy to see her and she was . . . well . . .not exactly thrilled to see him. Were you surprised that she took a while to warm up to him? How would you react if you ran into your childhood rival?
 6. If you had to start a business with a family member or friend, who would it be? Who would it not be?
 7. Do you think Jessie had "no leadership potential," as Hamilton Cooper said?
 8. Professionally, Jessie is a methodical planner whereas Daniel believes that spontaneity, trial and error, and making mistakes are important to achieving success. Are you a planner or more spontaneous?
 9. Food plays an important role in how Jessie and her mother relate to each other. Are there certain foods that have special meaning to you and your loved ones?
 10. Where do you see Jessie and Daniel in five years?
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