

6 Book Couples Setting #RelationshipGoals

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Why should love be limited to Valentine's Day? That's so last week. Shouldn't every day celebrate love and those we adore? That's what these book couples do. And they're setting relationship goals for all of us.

Read along to see who cupid shoots with his arrows. Have we missed any other relationship goals-worthy couples? Let us know in the comments.

Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy in Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen

Jane Austen's darling couple is always top of the aspirational couples list and deservingly so. With his gruff exterior and her independence, **Pride and Prejudice** is a roadmap for a successful relationship. Stay true to yourself, accept the differences, and discuss disagreements. Lizzie and Darcy make it blossom and after all, "We are all fools in love."

Paul and Noah in Boy Meets Boy by David Levithan

This is Young Adult and Paul and Noah are a dream couple. Not the fairy tale, nothing goes wrong type of dream. Paul made a mistake, and after tears and seven days of acts showing his love (which includes a locker full of origami flowers), he's forgiven. Paul and Noah are still teens but we can see them growing old together.

Noah and Allie in The Notebook by Nicholas Sparks

We know if Nicholas Sparks wrote characters we're all going to be collectively awww'ing at their sweetness. But Noah and Allie are even more than that. Nicholas based the characters on his own grandparents. There really is starburst and rose petals romance in the world. We can only aspire.

Raven and Mikhail in the Dark Book Series by Christine Feehan

Sure every Carpathian male is drawn to his life mate, but it's his human life mate who makes this relationship a favorite. In this fantasy-mixed-with-real-world series, Raven Whitney defends her lover, Prince Mikhail Dubrinsky, against humans who misunderstand and think he's a vampire, like all Carpathians. They battle the racism trying to divide them through 35 novels. That's love.

Eve and Roarke Dallas in the In Death Series by J.D. Robb

It's been said that all romances result in either a break-up or death. Thankfully in the **In Death series**, it's not the couple's deaths. Love and relationship is the main theme through 35 novels for this crime-fighting couple (she's a detective and a gender stereotype-breaking sidekick). They also solve murders in New York City, but really it's all Eve

Clare and Henry in The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

All romances have trouble, but how do you manage a partner with Chrono-Displacement Disorder: periodically his genetic clock resets and Henry spontaneously time travels. Clare was 6 and Henry was 36 when they met. They married when Clare was 23 and Henry 31 and spent their relationship crossing time and hiding Henry's disappearances from family and friends.

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