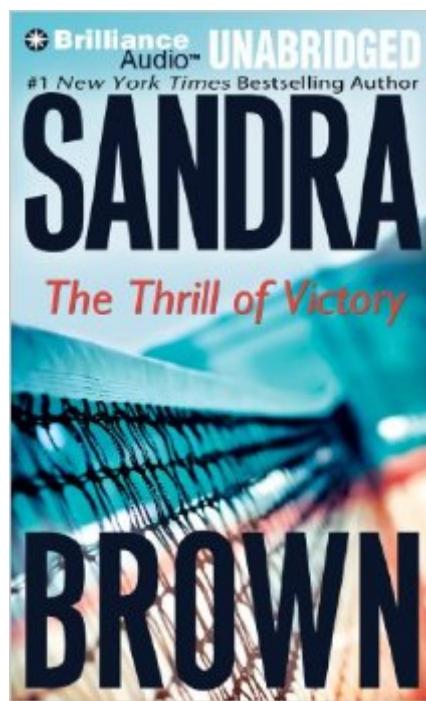


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# The Thrill Of Victory



## Synopsis

Stevie Corbett is in jeopardy of losing everything she's sacrificed and worked so hard for - her career, her future. Her life. She has just two weeks to make a monumental decision, but her fate rides on keeping the truth a secret. It's Judd Mackie's job to uncover secrets. And he's spent the last few years dogging Stevie, exposing her for the spoiled glamour girl he believes her to be. Now he has the chance to scoop the story of the year and let the whole world know the truth about Stevie. All he has to do is betray her trust....

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## Customer Reviews

Stevie Corbett is a professional tennis player with an emergency health problem that could possibly keep her from playing in the tennis match of a life time- the Wimbledon! She must decide whether to risk her health for the opportunity to play, this being the thing that she has strived for all her life- the ultimate goal to reach. Judd Mackie, sports writer, is out to find out what Stevie is hiding from her fans- to write that article that his editor is hounding him for. Both Stevie and Judd have pasts of hurt that they have not healed from- not allowing themselves to have relationships with others. That's about to change. But they are about to find strong desire for love from each other. Sweet story that will take no longer than an afternoon.

The thrill of victory has thus far been the most romantic and witty book I have ever read! Brown captures her audience with a storyline that is quite humourous, addictive and truly captivating! The characters by far are true gems; Stevie with her indisputable wit and Mackie with his pompous and

arrogant attitude which (ultimately) wins over the affection of Stevie and the reader. Stevie and Mackie are as opposite as opposites go, but their lust and admiration of one another are quite similar right from the start. The Thrill of Victory is a very refreshing book; it not only deals with the romance and friendship of the two passionate characters that keep the readers on their toes, but as well, it tackles the more modern burdens of society today, for example, the increasing rate of cancer, etc. etc. This book with its charm and uniqueness will melt the hearts of any cynics of love out there, and for those that are true romantics, this book will provide a new and more powerful sense of the word love; and the lengths that one will go when a victim of it.

This book is worse than Two Alone. By the time I've waded through 3/4 of the book and heard the same arguments over and over and over--I'm disgusted and tired of it. I always thought Sandra Brown was my favorite author, but that thought is quickly changing. Give me some of the 'meat' written by Linda Howard or Nora Roberts. I agree with the reviewer who said 60-75 pages could have been left out and you wouldn't miss anything. You probably wouldn't be as disgusted and frustrated either. The last quarter of the book, I felt, was much better. It moved along and wasn't a 'needle stuck in a groove' repeating over and over and over. Personally, I don't feel there is any merit in saving the best for the last couple of pages. I don't want to be entertained for 5 pages out of 200. I read for enjoyment and escape. Judd and Stevie could have provided much much more enjoyment and escape.

Tennis pro, Stevie Corbett, suddenly collapses on the court. It's the opportunity Judd Mackie has been waiting for! Somehow, if he can get close to her and learn the truth, he'll scoop the story of the decade. When Judd breaks into Stevie's apartment, he finds her angry, bristling and wounded. Something is terribly wrong with her, something with the potential to ruin her career and perhaps end her life. Judd becomes an unlikely hero to the ailing tennis pro, stealing her away from cameras and badgering newsmen to the seclusion of his family's cabin in the woods. There, Stevie must come to grips with her illness and determine the course of her future. What she doesn't expect is the rare gift Judd bestows upon her, a gift of love and life.

Well this is a first... I have read many Sandra Brown novels in the past and have always enjoyed them... This one is a huge exception to the rule. All I can think is that perhaps this is one of her early works (in fact will have to check that)... I found the storyline thin to say the least and the male character a complete Neanderthal- he had me rolling my eyes in disgust on several occasions due

to the multitude of sexist remarks. For fans of Sandra Brown who actually enjoy a good plot and a bit of suspense- this novel is not for you.

It was a beautiful love story told masterfully by Brown. The heroine is wonderful and the hero made me fall in love. Sandra Brown never disappoints.

Enjoyable and entertaining read. I read for pleasure and the pure escapism it provides.

Consequently, the reason I gave this book five stars is that it exceeded my expectation in both these categories along with being well written, good character development with an intriguing storyline.

Sandra Brown is my absolute favorite author, but this story just was plain out bad. I did not connect with the characters at all and the story line was a bit unemotional. Most of her short books are filled with so much passion that it leaves you wanting more, however, this book was not like that at all. Save your time and pick up another book!

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