

IT'S YR LIFE

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Sparks fly in this unputdownable young adult novel about two teenagers who don't get along – until it becomes a matter of life or death.

Sim's from Byron Bay. Milla lives in Hollywood. Sim's in a foster home and dumpster-dives for food. Milla lives in a mansion with her celebrity parents.

When they're forced to email each other for a school assignment it's doomed to fail. So why haven't they stopped? Secrets...

What did Sim find in a dumpster that has him running scared? Whose footprints are outside Milla's window – and how can she fix her screwed-up family before something terrible happens?

It's easy to make an enemy when you don't see eye to eye – but it's better to make a friend. It's your life, so what are you going to do about it?

***it's yr life* is funny, sassy, prickly – and absolutely thrilling. Once you find out what's happening in Sim and Milla's worlds, you won't be able to put it down until the mysteries are solved and the answers revealed. The characters' use and discovery of web links throughout the story also provides readers with an intriguing interactive element.**

Behind-the-Scenes Stuff:

Authors, Tempany Deckert and Tristan Bancks first worked together as teen actors on the award-winning series, *Home and Away*. Their mutual love of literature and kids lead them to independently pen young adult and tween fiction. *it's yr life* is their first collaboration.

it's yr life, was co-written across the globe via email in real time. In order to stay in character the authors didn't speak or see one another at all during the two-year writing process.

Tempany's book series' include *The Shooting Stars* (Scholastic), *The Fashion Police* (Macmillan) and *Radio Rebels* (Macmillan). She writes for stage and screen and is in development as creator/producer of the animated TV series', *The Barefoot Fibbers*. Based in Los Angeles, Tempany continues to act and also works as a motivational speaker for teens.

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