

## Nick Spalding

### Writer

Nick Spalding is an author who, try as he might, can't seem to write anything serious.

Before becoming a full-time author, he worked in the communications industry, mainly in media and marketing. As talking rubbish for a living can get tiresome (for anyone other than a politician), he thought he'd have a crack at writing comedy fiction - with a very agreeable level of success so far, it has to be said. Nick has now written several books which have sold over 1 million copies altogether... and still can't quite believe his luck.



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## Publications

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### Fiction

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Publication Details	Notes
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**DRY HARD**

2019

Lake Union Publishing

Kate and Scott's marriage has always been a lot of fun, with alcohol at the heart of it. After all, what's more entertaining than a good laugh and a large drink... or six?

But recently, those relaxing drinks have become more crutch than comfort—and the couple have almost forgotten how to talk to each other sober.

Then their teenage daughter Holly uploads a video of their humiliating drunken escapades, which gets picked up by YouTube superstar PinkyPud—and goes horrifyingly viral.

In a last-ditch attempt to prove to the world they're more than just boozy idiots, Kate and Scott quit alcohol completely. But with Holly's... er... 'help', what begins as a family promise soon escalates into a social media phenomenon: #DryHard!

With the eyes of the Internet upon them, can Kate and Scott stay teetotal—and save their marriage in the process?

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**CHECKING OUT**

2018

Lake Union Publishing

What do you do when the doctor says you could die at any moment?

Well...after you've made a cup of tea, of course.

Nathan James is young, successful and has the world at his feet.

Unfortunately, he's also about to die—which ruins things somewhat. And now he's staring imminent death in the face, Nathan is having to rethink some of his life choices very hard.

This means embarking on a hectic journey of self-discovery that includes, amongst other things, losing his dignity to an inescapable bean bag, suffering screaming nightmares about a monstrous potato, and getting up close and very personal with a bipolar donkey.

All of which is fine, but then Nathan falls in love with a charming girl called Alison, which is a really stupid thing to do. Because how can you give your heart to someone when it might be about to stop?

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**MAD LOVE**

2016

Lake Union Publishing

Can two people who have never met make a marriage work? Popular dating site Sociality thinks so, and is marrying London lad Adam to California girl

Jessica to prove it.

What better way to show that your 'love algorithms' work than to put two complete strangers together in an expensive publicity stunt? But, as livewire Jess and lazybones Adam quickly discover, just because a computer says you're the perfect match, it doesn't make it so!

Two million Sociality subscribers and the media are following the happy couple's progress, and they have to make a go of it or they'll lose everything, look like idiots, and destroy Sociality's reputation. But can the mismatched pair, who seem to be constantly at each other's throats, put their differences aside and work their way into each other's hearts?

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**BRICKING IT**

2015

Lake Union Publishing

When siblings Dan and Hayley Daley inherit their late grandmother's derelict Victorian farmhouse, it seems like a dream come true. All they have to do is fix the place up and sell it for a tidy profit!

Except—as anyone who has renovated an old house knows—things are never that easy.

The walls are rapidly crumbling around them, the architect is a certified lunatic, the budget is spiraling...and then there's the disturbingly intelligent cow to worry about.

On top of all this, the renovation is being featured on a daytime reality TV show, and as soon as Great Locations presenter Gerard O'Keefe catches sight of Hayley's first-floor balcony, he's determined to woo her out of her ban on romance, whether she wants him to or not.

Will Dan and Hayley survive and sell up? Or will the whole thing collapse on them like a ton of bricks?

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**FAT CHANCE**

2014

Lake Union Publishing

Zoe and Greg Milton are a married couple who have become a little too comfortable. Zoe used to be the high school beauty, whilst Greg was a muscly rugby player. Too much fast-food and alcohol have affected both their looks. When they enter into a competition to lose weight, the cash prize at the end is very tempting. But will the misery, tears and frustration prove too much?

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**LOVE...UNDER  
DIFFERENT SKIES**

2013

UK: Coronet/Hodder

Sometimes, the hardest part of staying together is keeping a straight face... Ever wish you could leave all your problems behind and make a fresh start somewhere else? Trade the stresses and strains of everyday life for your own slice of sun-kissed paradise on the other side of the world? Jamie and Laura Newman certainly have. When Jamie's spectacular meltdown at work results in him being handed his P45, and Laura finds her working days end up with her rugby tackling defenceless pensioners in the high street, a move ten thousand miles away sounds ideal. After all, it might mend some of the cracks that have appeared in their marriage over the past few months...So when Laura is offered a new job in Australia, the Newman family think their dreams have come true. But as the old saying goes - be careful what you wish for, you might just get it. As the hapless couple soon find out, problems have a way of following you, no matter how far you go to avoid them.

Can love survive under different skies?

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**LOVE...FROM BOTH SIDES**

2013

UK: Coronet; German: Pendo/Piper

Taschenbuch; Italian:

Newton Compton;

Polish: Muza; Russian:

When Nick Spalding self-published Love... From Both Sides and Love... And Sleepless Nights he became one of the bestselling ebook authors of 2012.

Now for the first time the Love... books are being published in a longer format with more of the love story, more of Laura and Jamie's ups and downs and more of the laugh-out-loud hilarious moments that fans have come to know and love.

Sometimes, the hardest part of finding love is keeping a straight face...

For Jamie Newman, being a single guy isn't proving to be much fun, especially when confronted with a sexually belligerent divorcee and a goddess so far out of his league she might as well be a different species. Mind you, being a girl in search of love isn't a bowl of cherries either. Just ask Laura McIntyre, who's recently contended with a horny estate agent on a quest for light relief and a rabid mountain bike enthusiast with a penchant for lycra that leaves little to the imagination. When Jamie and Laura bump into one another (quite literally) it looks like their luck may have changed - but sometimes finding the right person is only the start of your problems... Love... From Both Sides is a warts-and-all romantic comedy for everyone who knows how tricky the quest for love can be.

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**LOVE...AND SLEEPLESS NIGHTS**

2013

UK: Coronet/Hodder

Sometimes, the hardest part of becoming a parent is keeping a straight face...

Just ask Jamie and Laura Newman, who (thanks to a rather relaxed attitude to contraception) find themselves about to have a baby. It's obviously a terrifying prospect for a newly married couple, but as long as they stick together they'll be just fine...right? They'd better because the path between falling in love and those first few baby steps is littered with obstacles. Featuring a hilarious cast of characters including an overbearing mother-in-law, a terrifying midwife and at least one chorus of mating humpback whales.

Love...And Sleepless Nights is the hilarious follow-up novel all about what happens beyond the happy ever after. Falling in love with another person is easy, making a new one is where things get complicated.

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