



Land of Last Chances

A Novel

by Joan Cohen



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Book Review

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When Jeanne is told she is pregnant at 48, she needs that to be a joke. Raised to believe that she would never need a man or a family in her life, work is her only passion. Other than Bricklin, her Golden Lab, Jeanne had never entertained any notion of a life partner. Her life was perfect as is and even included the fringe benefits of the handsome Vincent, who certainly had to be the baby's father. Or was he? Jeanne is forced to make an enormous decision about the birth of this child. Between her age, the question of paternity, and her family history of early-onset Alzheimer's, Jeanne finds herself with an impossible choice. Dr. O'Rourke's adamant insistence that time is not on her side forces Jeanne to admit self-truths she never deemed possible.

Land of Last Chances by Joan Cohen draws the reader in with the opening paragraphs. Sprinkled with occasional humor and realistic emotions, Cohen gives the reader a believable view of the corporate world and its relationship to the human experience. The reality of Jeanne's situation is a topic not often approached, but one that is relatable. Her struggle is handled with a delicate mixture of inner conflicts that reflect the morality of the unexpected turns in life. Land of Last Chances is easily one of the best books I have ever read. Crafted with engaging dialogue, believable characters, and just enough suspense to keep the reader hanging, I highly recommend this as a story not to be ignored. I believe that Joan Cohen has found her niche in the writing world.