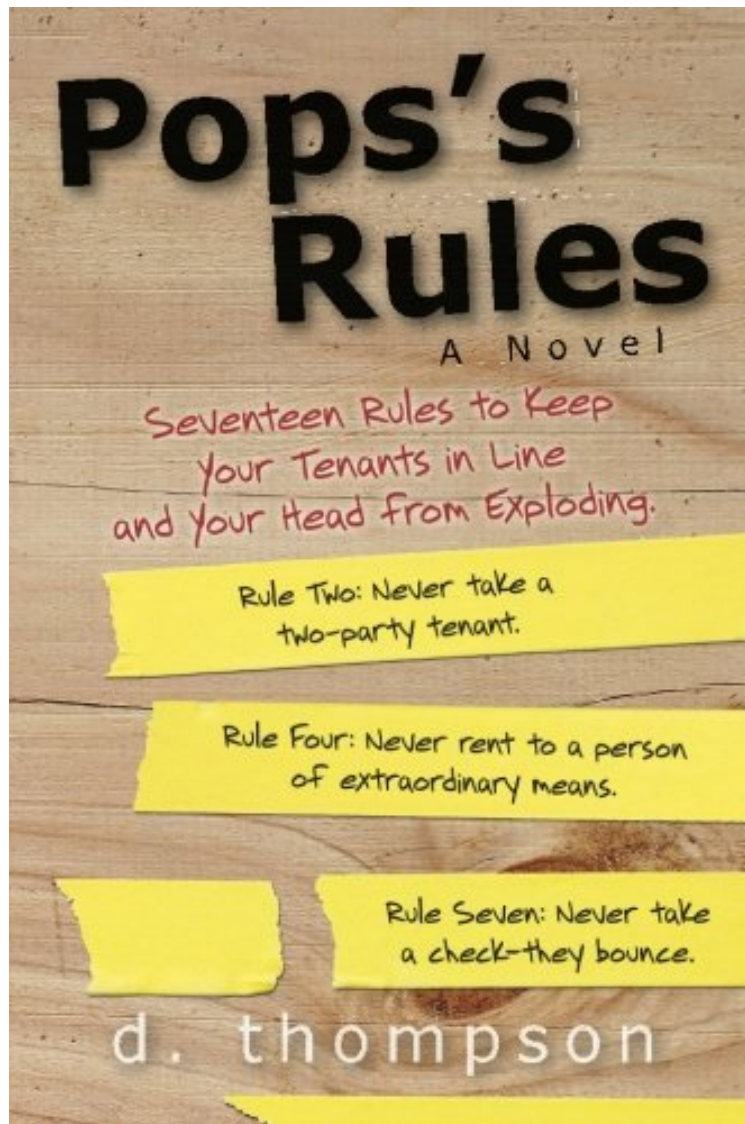


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d. thompson : Pops's Rules: A Novel before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Pops's Rules: A Novel:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Charming, Entertaining AND Helpful!!!By thomas friedmanI really enjoyed "Pops's Rules". The trials and tribulations of being a landlord of low rent apartments, told in an entertaining and charming fashion! It's comprised of little vignettes portraying live of people I probably wouldn't have the "pleasure" of meeting. Hard to describe the range of renters and still remain "PC". Everything from charming personality quirks to problematic drug addicts. (I got the impression that the author would also not have met too many

of them if she hadn't come into this property. The "Rules" of the title are the "17" commandments inherited from the previous owner which one must follow in order to stay in business and make a profit. I recently turned my home into "Suites" and am dealing with the wide range of people who arrive and the wide range of problems. A friend recommended this book. Apart from giving good advice about my business it was charming and entertaining. I hope the author will favor us with more books in the near future. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. second novel coming soon? By ppBravo D Thompson!! I loved Pops's Rules!! Reminded me of a twisted modern living dead version of Spoon River Anthology by Edgar Lee Masters. The book's hilariously funny while simultaneously exposing harsh human conditions and slews of multifarious emotions along for the rocky ride. Fantastic character development and vivid visuals on so many levels; I couldn't put it down. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Must Read By Dolores Carruthers Pop's Rules is a must read for those who enjoy quirky characters, action packed dialogue, and a satisfying ending. This novel by first time author d.thompson gives readers a chance to live vicariously through Jack and Diane's attempts to change careers from corporate leaders to motel landlords. They take over Jack's father, Pop, motel and decide to be good neighbors to the assorted renters they inherit and those they select. The 17 rules that Pop has gleefully crafted to guide them gradually fall by the wayside as they struggle to balance business and helping hands with drug users, prostitutes, endangered families and assorted social misfits. The lives of the characters like Sue, Toad Man, and Lolita are so vividly described it's easy to become transfixed and miss Jack and Diane's slow emotional disintegration. It's when Jack tells Diane "We've become them" we see beneath their attempts to use humor to live in this dysfunctional environment and the cost to their relationship. Can they survive? This a great first novel and I'm waiting for the next one.

Explode your head along with Jack Diane as they humorously arm wrestle with other-world tenants inside a wild sucking vortex of transition from corporate life to land-lording. Pops gives his son Jack and Jack's wife, Diane seventeen well-honed rules after they agree to take over his rental property. He is hoping his experience will keep their over optimistic selves from imploding. Rule Six: Always run a car check. Rule Fifteen: When faced with a crazy person, act like a crazy person. That's just some of the advice Pops gives them. However, the rules aren't enough to prepare them for the shady characters they confront and the bizarre, amusing, and sad reality they discover while interacting with their new tenants. Tenants, whom they give secret nicknames like Meth Mouth, Poopie, and Lolita, give them a lesson in the human condition a lesson more epic than they ever imagined. The renters provide their share of humor and compassion but launch Jack and Diane into a social experiment gone awry. Pop's Rules is a humorous account of being a landlord that was inspired by numerous conversations between author d.thompson and other rental-property owners. Follow along through Diane's perspective as she and her husband shed their corporate kneepads and seize the opportunity to take their lives in a new direction. Can they navigate through the hell of being landlords? Or will it leave them as crazy as the tenants who live behind their walls?

About the Author Conversations and commiserations with fellow landlords inspired d.thompson to write Pop's Rules. Amazed at the similarity of experience, she pulled from their equally astonishing stories and her own as manager of a number of apartment complexes to bring thirty-plus characters to life. Educated in science and the visual arts, she passionately creates social-political art using assemblage and encaustic wax, which can be found at dthompson-artistauthor.com d.thompson currently splits her time between homes in the United States and Mexico with her husband and their dog, Bird. She's working on her next book, based on a crowdsourcing experiment called Three Boobs. You are invited to participate at threeBoobs.com.