

CAN'T HARDLY WAIT by Harry Elfont & Deborah Kaplan

PRESTON: October, Freshman year. The first time in history I ever missed the bus. If I had arrived on time I never would have seen her. But as it was, I was the first person at Huntingdon High to set eyes on Amanda Beckett. It was her first day of school. A mere few minutes later, I'm at the Principal's office, getting my late pass, and she's there doing registration. I immediately notice an item in her pocket... a frosted strawberry pop-tart. My favorite breakfast food.

Then, I'm sitting in class, doing a little pleasure reading, when suddenly out of all the classrooms in the whole school she walks into mine... And where does the teacher sit her? Right next to me! And then, as if guided by some unknown force, I'm struck by the urge to peer inside of her bag -- and what do I find? The very same book I was reading at that moment!

Clearly, this was something more divine than coincidence. What was I to do, how was I to proceed?