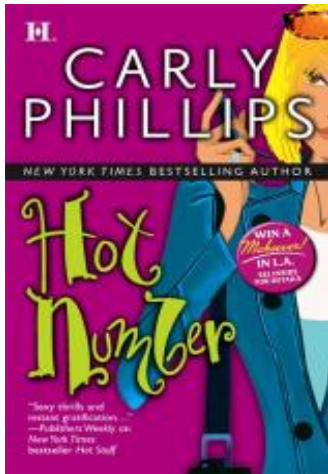


Hot Number

by Carly Phillips



About the Book

In the second sexy fun book in Carly's "The Hot Zone" series, Micki Jordan, publicist to the brightest stars in the sports world, undergoes a tomboy makeover, with one goal in mind. Micki is determined to score a lifelong homerun with Damian Fuller, professional ballplayer and major league playboy, who has always treated her like "just one of the guys." But watch out, Damian, because Micki is now one *hot number*!

Discussion Guide

1. For sports publicist Micki Jordan "makeup" referred to the process of soothing ruffled feathers and damaged egos with her star clients. That is, until she found herself searching for a way to get the New York Renegades' star center fielder, Damian Fuller, to think of her as more than "one of the guys." Think back and share your first remembrance of seriously trying to transform your appearance with makeup artistry. How old were you? Whom were you trying to impress, and did the makeup achieve the desired results?
2. Unlike her sisters, Micki has been a tomboy all her life. Were you or was anyone you knew a tomboy? If so, what was the favorite sport? Did you, your friend or relative go through a Micki-like transformation? At what age did you hang up your baseball mitt, and with what results? If this person was you, do you still wish you could play ball "with the boys?"
3. Micki's "transformation" began with one kiss that gave her the hots for Damian. Share your remembrance of a kiss or kisses that changed your life, and don't leave out the good stuff!
4. Today makeovers are wildly popular. If someone gave you the money to have any kind of makeover you wanted, what kind of makeover would it be? Simple makeup? A new wardrobe? Surgery? Do you know anyone who has undergone a makeover? If so, what effect did it have on her life?

5. Micki is very close to her two sisters, and each one plays a different role in the family. Do you have any sisters? If so, what richness does your sister or do your sisters bring into your life? What different roles do you play in your family?
6. Micki's uncle is struggling with macular degeneration. Micki and her sisters are trying to get Uncle Yank to accept the oncoming disability and get help so he can function as best he can. Have you been in such a difficult position in your family ? trying to help a loved one through such a challenge? What tips do you have for others who might be going through the same situation?
7. Damian is a sports star through whom the reader learns about the ups and downs of being a hero. If you could be any kind of a star ? sports, music, author ? what would it be and why? Do you think the demands would be worth the rewards?
8. Damian is heroic in ways other than on the baseball field. What heroic gestures on Damian's part do you remember from reading **Hot Number**? How did he show Micki that he is deserving of her love?
9. The theme of **Hot Number** is facing one's fears. What fears did Micki and Damian face? How did their struggles make them better people and more deserving of one another?
10. There are so sexy fun scenes in **Hot Number**. Which one was your favorite? Take a vote in your group and let Carly know which one scored a grand slam home run.

Author Bio

New York Times best-selling author Carly Phillips is an attorney who has tossed away legal briefs in favor of writing hot, sizzling romances. Her first single title contemporary romance, **The Bachelor**, captured a spot as the third pick of the "Reading with Ripa" book club on *LIVE with Regis and Kelly*. The announcement launched Carly into the number-one slot on both Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.com within just a few hours and for a six-week stay on the *New York Times* list. The follow-up to **The Bachelor**, **The Playboy**, also hit the *New York Times* list its first week.

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