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The People's Republic of Love

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A chilling fable for the social media age—fierce, compelling, and utterly believable—M.R. Carey

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Synopsis

In a brand new country, ruled by the most popular of its citizens, visibility is all that matters. But if Tamsin doesn't act quickly, neither she nor her best friend Charlotte will ever be seen again.

Tamsin, a reclusive engineer, is the only viewer who can see where Charlotte's 'hot new reality show' is heading, that the finale will be the end of her.

To get near the film set, Tamsin's only option is to put her shyness aside and build herself a sensational backstory, a springboard of lies that will propel her all the way to the infamous **People's Republic of Love**.

But she does not understand how this country works: if you only hand over your whole self, the Republic will give you everything you've ever wanted.

About the author

Heather Child is a Bristol-based author who grew up in the Midlands. Her first two novels, *Everything About You* and *The Undoing of Arlo Knott* (Orbit Books) are high concept fiction. Her award-winning short stories have appeared in various magazines and anthologies, and she is a mentor on the WordSpace programme run by Literature Works.