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The Grand Prize winner of HarperCollins's audio drama contest. "By turns amusing and angst-filled, this well-paced production is a good choice for fans of full-cast audios" (AudioFile). All Alex Dassan needs to do is win second place in the debate team finals. The second place prize is a trip to the Nottingshire Retreat in London where she'll have a chance to take a class with her writing idol, Mary Noelle Simmons. Alex knows that once she meets Mary her life will fall into place and her dreams of becoming a writer will be possible (and less scary). Nothing is going to stand in Alex's way--especially not a dad who's never home and a mom who left to go "find herself" in India. The only problem: with minutes before the competition and a missing debate partner. Alex is feeling a little desperate. All Jeremy Beekman needs to do is pass AP Biology. If Jeremy passes then he can get into medical school, become a doctor in 10 years, and keep his family together--he won't disappoint his parents the way his brother did. The only problem: Jeremy spends more time on art and the AV Club than on his homework. When Alex and Jeremy run into each other (literally ) before the debate team competition, they make an arrangement--if Jeremy helps Alex win the debate team finals then Alex will tutor Jeremy in biology. What could go wrong?What starts as an academic arrangement soon turns into a friendship where absent parents and burdensome expectations are confronted, dreams are dreamed bigger, and the debate team competition stakes are even higher. You may now begin your rebuttal.