Her best-selling book was Paddy the Next Best Thing, which was dramatized and performed in Britain at the Savoy Theatre. Another novel of hers, The Edge o' Beyond, of which more than 300,000 copies were sold. The Past. Emma is a 24-year-old, who on request of a friend came to Manchester to see a place. There is a turn of events and she runs to save her life. She faces loss and betrayal. The Next Best Thing, p.1. Part #2 of Gideons Cove series by Kristan Higgins. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54. Page 1. Author: Kristan Higgins CHAPTER ONE. "You have a whisker. Though I hear the loudly whispered comment, it doesn’t quite register, as I am rapt with adoration, staring at the wonder that is my hour-old niece. I probably shouldn’t tell my sister that her baby reminds me of a reptile. Well. The baby is astonishingly beautiful. Miraculous. She's amazing," I murmur. Corinne beams, then shifts the baby the slightest bit away from me. "Can I hold her, Cory?" Book Preview. The Next Best Thing - Kristan Higgins. You've reached the end of this preview. Sign up to read more! One thing I had overlooked though is that The Next Best Thing is actually written before Someone to Love. Frankly, I had no idea they were connected until I actually sat down and came across a character called Parker. That woman is unforgettable it seems. To tell you the truth, back in the day (last year) when I read Someone to Love and was told to check out The Next Best Thing featuring Ethan and Lucy’s story, I thought "What? Why? Those two didn’t really catch my attention." I seriously couldn’t care less about them. The Next Best Thing book. Read 2,722 reviews from the world's largest community for readers. Blockbuster #1 New York Times bestselling author Jennifer We...Â Four years later, sheâ€™s hit the jackpot when she gets The Call: the sitcom she wrote, The Next Best Thing, has gotten the green light, and Ruthieâ€™s going to be the show-runner. But her dreams of Hollywood happiness are threatened by demanding actors, number-crunching executives, an unrequited crush on a boss, and her grandmotherâ€™s impending nuptials.