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From Publishers Weekly Joanna, a beautiful and bored 60-year-old, discovers that her ex-husband cloned one of her eggs 30 years earlier and that the four resulting clones are currently undergoing crises brought on by men. "With characteristic antic energy, Weldon offers another penetrating look at our urges to sex and parenthood, love, power and revenge, " said PW. Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Library Journal Now in her 60s, attractive Joanna May has lost her husband, ruthless executive Carl, to divorce, and her lover to death, apparently a victim of her husband's hitman. Alone and childless, Joanna tries to regroup and in doing so makes an extraordinary discovery: Carl had four eggs removed from her reproductive system and "cloned" when she was 30. The four resulting women, implanted as embryos in different women, eventually meet up with one another and

with Joanna. An odd premise, indeed. Weldon has a deft hand, and although her characters are mostly stiff and unlikable (particularly Carl, who survived a grim childhood), the story moves along briskly. This would not suit the taste of many fiction readers but is not without appeal. Previewed in Prepub Alert, LJ 11/15/89.- Ann H. Fisher, Radford P.L., Va. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title. See all Editorial Reviews

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