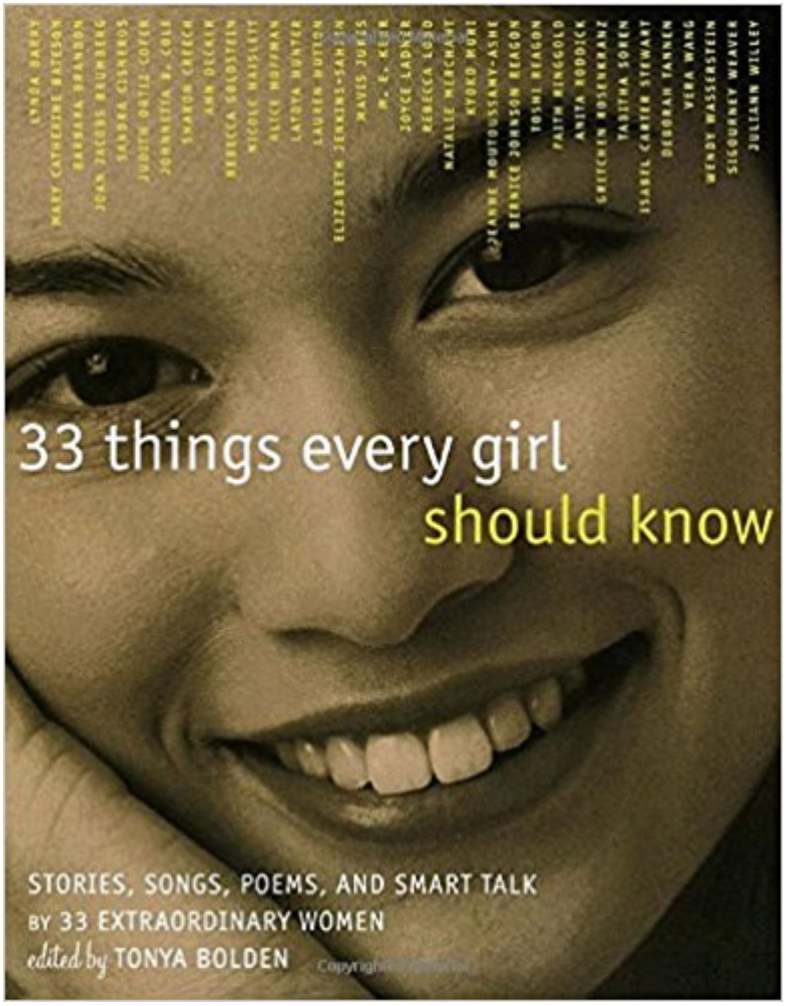
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33 Things Every Girl Should Know: Stories, Songs, Poems, And Smart Talk By 33 Extraordinary Women



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Synopsis

Extraordinary strong women lend their diverse voices to this collection of stories, songs, poems, comics, and essays. What if every adolescent girl could feel hopeful, empowered, and excited about making the transition from girlhood to womanhood? Dealing with subjects like popularity, success, talking to boys, speaking your mind, and body image, this book offers practical help and inspiration.33 Things Every Girl Should Know is an empowering and inspirational gift that every girl will want to own, to share with friends, and to use as a springboard to self-knowledge, self-acceptance, and self-esteem.Ã Â Ã Â Contributors include:Ã Â Natalie Merchant. Sigourney Weaver. Tabitha Soren. Wendy Wasserstein. Rebecca Lobo. Lauren Hutton. Anita Roddick. Lynda Barry.

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Customer Reviews

Editor Tonya Bolden makes no bones about it: "It's no secret. This book is about girl build-up." Accordingly, the pieces collected in 33 Things Every Girl Should Know have the spicy flavor of rabble-rousing. But instead of a radical call to arms, readers will find more of a call to self-esteem, self-respect, and a summons to keep their eyes on a bright future. Subtitled "Stories, Songs, Poems, and Smart Talk by 33 Extraordinary Women," this collection offers young women first-hand

advice from such diverse luminaries as Lynda Barry, Sandra Cisneros, Johnetta Cole, Alice Hoffman, Lauren Hutton, M. E. Kerr, Rebecca Lobo, Natalie Merchant, Faith Ringgold, Tabitha Soren, Vera Wang, Wendy Wasserstein, and Sigourney Weaver. These grown-up girls hearken from many realms and backgrounds, with widely varying experiences and skills, but all join their voices here to offer insight, advice, and a surprising expanse of common ground. From a fiercely funny comic strip about mean girls, to a moving essay about living with spina bifida, to a forensic discussion of why it’s not a crime for girls to love science, these stories reflect and encourage female wit, wisdom, and perseverance. Most of all, the essential 33 things display the infinite range of options for girls, and will inspire young women to pursue the pathways paving their dreams. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grade 6 UpAMuch has been written and studied about the fragile self-esteem of adolescent girls. These selections, all by different authors, aim to offer advice that could help make them more confident and give them a positive direction and outlook. The contributors, such as M.E. Kerr, Vera Wang, Wendy Wasserstein, and Faith Ringgold, represent a wide range of backgrounds and professions and include scientists, athletes, artists, sociologists, writers, and others. A varied spectrum of quality is found in the stories, essays, fairy tales, poetry, cartoons, and memoirs. Some, though well written, give clich?d advice. Judith Ortiz Cofer recommends, "Love your work, and enjoy your play." The actress Sigourney Weaver touts the benefit of hard work and commitment. The underlying message throughout shouts that readers must be true to themselves and follow personal passions. The topics covered vary greatly and include dealing with one’s sexual orientation, overcoming and triumphing despite physical handicaps, combating the pervasive "thin is beautiful" culture, dealing with insensitive people, and just finding oneself. Some selections are heavy-handed and preachy, but others speak with a true voice easily heard by adolescents. There’s something here for everyone. Perhaps the title is a bit misleading since it seems to promise 33 different ideas. This is a worthwhile purchase for any library. The challenge is to channel it to its intended audience.ARenee Steinberg, Fieldstone Middle School, Montvale, NJCopyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Age appropriate for 13+ B/c there is mention of sex in at least one of the stories - I am not through the whole book yet - but I would not give it my 10 year old to read.

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