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For her 13th birthday Anne Frank received a diary she dubbed Kitty Shortly after her birthday with the fear that her older sister, Margo may be taken by the Nazis the Franks

disappear into the night and go into hiding. It is through Kitty that Anne records her thoughts and daily life living behind a bookcase in the secret annex. When I was younger I went through a Holocaust phase before moving on to Harriet Tubman and slavery. The funny thing is that Anne Frank's Diary was not the first Holocaust book I read, I think that was *The Devil's Advocate*. Anyway, I soon became fascinated by the Secret Annex and the secluded life she lived for two years. Unfortunately she and the other occupants of the Annex were betrayed and sent to concentration camps with only her father Otto Frank surviving. The tragic thing, not to minimize the inhumanity of it all, is that Anne died mere weeks before liberation. Anne's dream was to have her diary published after the war and after liberation her father saw that happen, making Kitty a time capsule to an unfathomable past. View all my reviews on my blog.

She is too fond of books. Honestly, I just can't do it. I can't bring myself to finish the book. I've tried three times already, and each time I have been forced to put it aside. Books and film about the Holocaust are fascinating, but not this one. Unfortunately, I was not engaged and found I couldn't care less. I'll have to try it again in a few years. On the up side, I firmly believe that Anne Frank, had she survived the war, would have grown up to be a marvelous, best selling writer. At the age of 13 her words are better than that of many modern day, famous authors. I confess to feeling slightly voyeuristic while reading this. It was constantly in the back of my mind that this was no ordinary novel, or even a true to life account. This was someone's diary. Every page written in confidence, each word revealing the thoughts closest to the heart of this young girl. As a journal keeper myself, I sometimes find myself wondering, What if someone else were to read this which causes me to wonder how much to filter my words. But then, isn't the purpose of a diary or journal just the opposite. To record one's honest and unfiltered thoughts. While reading Anne Frank *The Diary of a Young Girl* I do not get the sense that there is any such filtering going on. From the ages of 12-15 Anne lived an extraordinary life, and quickly grew far beyond her years in her understanding and handling of a horrendous situation. There are surprises in this book. No matter how broad or limited your understanding of the world events that threw Anne and her family into a life in hiding, I had before reading this held the general assumption that, Well, it was wartime. They were in hiding for their lives. They must have been miserable all the time. Who could possibly find anything good or redeeming in the confines of such a life. In hindsight, of course, I have had to reconsider. I found bits of beauty, kindness, and even humour popping up in the most unexpected places. And why shouldn't I. Aren't our lives much the same. Oh we're not dodging bombs and trying to sleep to the sound of gunfire at least not in Canada. But we, each of us, are often faced with some sort of tragedy or travesty. Sometimes we may have an entire bad year, or longer. And yet, doesn't the buoyancy of the human spirit always shine through. It is really tough work to be miserable 24 hours a day. No matter how difficult or challenged our day to day life, we all have those little pockets of joy that arise, and sometimes it is those tiny occurrences that make the rest of it bearable. On a personal level, I found myself comparing Anne's

childhood to that of my parents. After all, she was only a year younger than my Mom and Dad. I think back to stories they've told from their teen years, and it boggles the mind to think that at the exact moment my Dad and his brothers were tipping a cow, Anne was in hiding on the other side of the world. At a time when my mother was discovering make up, Anne was realizing that life would never again be so youthful, so joyous and carefree as before the war. A generation was losing its innocence, but in very different ways. I would recommend Anne Frank's *The Diary of a Young Girl* to absolutely everyone, for I believe that it holds some truth or enlightenment for everyone. I do not own this copy; it was borrowed from my daughter's school library. She will be reading it next. She is 10. And you can bet that before long I will purchase my own copy, for I will be reading it again someday soon. If only Anne Frank's diary was the figment of someone's imagination. If it meant that this spirited, intelligent and articulate girl hadn't died along with so many others in Belsen concentration camp, and that the Holocaust had never happened, that would be a wonderful thing, but it did happen, and that makes the reading of this diary even heartbreaking. For a 13-year-old girl, Anne was so articulate the way she expresses her thoughts and feelings about herself and others is remarkable. She's able to analyse herself in a particularly honest way, her abilities, failures, weaknesses. As Jews in Nazi-occupied Holland, Anne and her parents and sister Margot, had to flee their home in Amsterdam to escape capture. From 1942-1944 they occupy rooms in an old office building, which they call *The Secret Annex*. Anne's diary details daily life within the confines of their safe house. They share the rooms with another couple and their teenage son and also with a former dentist. As can be expected, there were many disagreements, living in such close proximity to others, and even within their own families. Just a few of the office staff knew about *The Secret Annex*, and these are the people who kept them supplied with food, but given the fact that everything was rationed due to the war, things became a bit fraught at times. The alternative, however, didn't bear thinking about. In August 1944, Anne's diary suddenly becomes silent. No words will be written in its pages. Someone had betrayed them to the Nazis and they were arrested and transported to various concentration camps. The diary was left behind and was found by the office cleaner. After being interned in two concentration camps, Anne and her sister Margot were finally sent to Bergen-Belsen where they both died. Anne was just 15 years old. Only Otto Frank, the girl's father, survived, and the diary was returned to him. This is one of those books where a silence descends on finishing it. How do you write a review? How do you do it justice? I honestly don't know. All I can think is, what a great contribution Anne would have made to an ugly world if she'd lived, her ambition was to be a writer, and yet, even in death, she HAS made a contribution by allowing us to share those two years in hiding with her, and giving us a chance to see what a beautiful soul she was. Feel so sad right now. Maybe the first thing that most people would get shocked is that I rate with only 3 stars one of the best-selling books of the 20th century and now 21st century too and even, a book about the Holocaust. First thing that I learned about this book is honesty. Anne Frank teaches us all

about honesty, about telling what you really think, and so I am doing the same. For starters, I wonder how many people really, I mean REALLY read the book, because to rate with 5 stars a famous book that everybody tells you that it's a book that all people should read, and then they got in this community for readers and maybe they feel the compromise to make the rest to think that you really read the book. If not the case, hey, I don't see why anyone can be offended by this comment, and it's true, I don't see either anyone who will complain, since to me it would be only a defense mechanism behind their own guilt of really not reading the book but making the rest that they did I didn't think about this scenario but commenting about other thing with a reader friend, that thought stuck in my mind. I invested so much time in that because, one has to be honest, the book is tedious since it's not really a novel, it's a collection of diary writings without a coherent line of constructing a story, even you need editors further notes to know what happened to the people in the Secret Annex since obviously, Anne was unable to tell the final events. So, since it's so tedious, I wouldn't be surprised that some reader tried to read it but at the end they just rated with 5 stars to denote that they are cultured readers that they appreciate the book as one of the most important books of the 20th century. Between the passages, you learn a lot of things. The first thing that surprised me it's how this diary collection that it was written in the 40s, in Holland, by a teenage girl, almost anybody can relate to the comments and you don't feel them as outdated. Sometimes if you read an old book, you sensed the outdated of the prose, selection of words, etc but here I didn't feel it. This diary could be easily being written in present time and I don't think that it would change at all. I think that it was one of its strengths since I am sure that it will be as relevant for many time. Other thing that surprised me a lot was how much Anne Frank and by association, the rest of the group in the Secret Annex were informed about the events in the war, I know, they had a radio, but from stuff that I had read about WWII, there were certain elements of the information that people weren't aware. I mean, at many moments, they denote a certainty that Jewish people were murdered in the extermination camps, of course if you call them extermination camps, of course you know that people got killed there, but that's a term used by me, now, they called them labor camps, and so far I read, Jewish people really thought that they will receive baths when they were really gassed or burned to death, and it's kinda logical thing since if they were so certain about their deaths, there would be riots on the ghettos to flee in mass and they wouldn't march without protest to the gas chambers and the ovens. Even, Allied forces used espionage methods to know from Nazi prisoners what was happening to the Jewish people on the camps. Anyway, also, there are elements like the assassination attempt to Hitler that they were aware that it was made by their own generals. I don't think that kind of stuff would be informed so easily since it was a clear fact of how divided was the opinions of the high ranking staff of the Third Reich. I am not saying that the diary is not authentic as some dumb people commented that the Holocaust didn't happen. The Holocaust happened. It was real and we never forget that to avoid that it would happen

again I am just commenting that surprised me how well they were informed about key sensitive info of war events taking in account that they were a bunch of people living hidden for like 3 years in an isolated annex of a building I know, they got visits by the people that helped them but even so I am not questioning its authenticity, just expressing my surprise when I read it There were other things here and there that I was surprised by the use of terms like diet low fat , geez I didn t know that in the 1940 s they used terms like that in the 1980 s were like the rush of healthy food , but again, I supposed it s the effect that stuff that we think are new, they are just recycled and labeled as new.I am amazed that this book is banned in some schools, okay, there are comments relating to sex and sexual preferences, but so what If a teenage girl from the 1940 s can think about stuff like that while she was isolated with a war outside, don t you think that teenagers of today can think just the same I think that books like this one can help them to know that they are not alone, that they are not weird for thinking things like that, that was normal in the 1940s and it s normal now too.I was amazed that the group tried to live normal , I mean, kids making school work and so I think that in such extraordinary circumstances, they needed to do extraordinary things like to make circles and to talk in group and hearing all about topics I mean, they were like trapped and living together, really too close in the sense of physical space and yet, nobody cares about what Anne thinks or what she has to offer Geez Sure, they need to be really still and in silence, usually at day, but they should like making a tribe , I don t know, I am babbling, but to try to live like regular families was evidently wrong for the sanity of their interrelationships.What didn t surprised me were behaviors like trying to hide food or keeping money from the group In times where the group work were essential to survive, the human selfishness risen as a second nature.Resumming, I just want to explain that my rating is based on my entertaining experience while reading the book and the format of the book itself.And this didn t have to do with my respect for the subject of the Holocaust and its terrible events. Het Achterhuis Dagboekbrieven 12 juni 1942 1 augustus 1944 The Diary of a Young Girl, Anne Frank The Diary of a Young Girl, also known as The Diary of Anne Frank, is a book of the writings from the Dutch language diary kept by Anne Frank while she was in hiding for two years with her family during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands The family was apprehended in 1944, and Anne Frank died of typhus in the Bergen Belsen concentration camp in 1945 The diary was retrieved by Miep Gies, who gave it to Anne s father, Otto Frank, the family s only known survivor, just after the war was over The diary has since been published in than 60 languages 2001 327 1942 There really isn t anything I can add that many other reviews haven t already done It s a five star read because it is important, because it is real and because the holocaust is something we should never forget. Click here to watch a video review of this book on my channel, From Beginning to Bookend One cannot fathom what other marvelous books the world might have known had this talented, perceptive girl been permitted the life she was dueWe don t want our belongings to be seized by the Germans, but we certainly don t want to fall into their

clutches ourselves So we shall disappear of our own accord and not wait until they come and fetch us But, Daddy, when would it be He spoke so seriously that I grew very anxious Don t worry about it, we shall arrange everything Make the most of your carefree young life while you can That was all Oh, may the fulfillment of these somber words remain far distant yet Fifteen months later The atmosphere is so oppressive, and sleepy and as heavy as lead You don t hear a single bird singing outside, and a deadly close silence hangs everywhere, catching hold of me as if it will drag me down deep into an underworld.









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## THE DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL

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intention of writing a review for this book is to tell all the negative reviewers to SHUT UP I am all for everyone's right to express their opinion but I read a few of the 1 star reviews and I was shocked to read what a few people had to say about this book Before making an opinion I suggest people to keep a few things in mind 1 This is someone's DIARY not a book meant to entertain people If you think it was boring then answer me, how many interesting things can you possibly do locked up in a place for 3 years 2 For those who comment on the writing This is a 14year old's diary She didn't write it with the intention of winning the pulitzer.3.For those who commented on her ideologies or how nazism is portrayed Hello She was 14 And maybe..just maybe its justified to think the way she does considering she LIVED it unlike so many of us who get to sit back on our comfortable sofas and critically analyze every XYZ thing in the world.I believe no one has the right to review much less criticize a written document of a 14 year old's life who made it through the worst of circumstances and through difficulties we cannot even imagine to live through.Its a pity some people think the way they do.EDIT 27th Sept, 2013 I never imagined I would garner so many likes for this review This only means that a lot of people are emotional about this book and take negative reviews as a personal insult I wrote this review in a very emotionally charged mind frame A year later, now that I am older, wiser and mature, I realise I could have used fewer exclamation marks P ^E-PUB ? Het Achterhuis ? Discovered In The Attic In Which She Spent The Last Years Of Her Life, Anne Frank S Remarkable Diary Has Become A World Classic A Powerful Reminder Of The Horrors Of War And An Eloquent Testament To The Human Spirit In , With The Nazis Occupying Holland, A Thirteen Year Old Jewish Girl And Her Family Fled Their Home In Amsterdam And Went Into Hiding For The Next Two Years, Until Their Whereabouts Were Betrayed To The Gestapo, The Franks And Another Family Lived Cloistered In The Secret Annexe Of An Old Office Building Cut Off From The Outside World, They Faced Hunger, Boredom, The Constant Cruelties Of Living In Confined Quarters, And The Ever Present Threat Of Discovery And Death In Her Diary Anne Frank Recorded Vivid Impressions Of Her Experiences During This Period By Turns Thoughtful, Moving, And Surprisingly Humorous, Her Account Offers A Fascinating Commentary On Human Courage And Frailty And A Compelling Self Portrait Of A Sensitive And Spirited Young Woman Whose Promise Was Tragically Cut Short Back Cover

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