

Go Ask Alice

Anonymous

This diary of a fifteen-year-old drug user chronicles her struggle to escape the pull of the drug world.

It Happened to Nancy

An Anonymous Teenager

The editor of the classic GO ASK ALICE has compiled the poignant journals of a 14-year-old date-rape victim who contracted AIDS and died.

Forbidden City: A Novel of Modern China

William Bell

Contemporary adventure story about a teenage Canadian boy and his father swept up in the recent student revolt in China.

A Gathering of Days: A New England Girl's Journal, 1830-1832: A Novel

Joan Blos

The journal of a 14-year-old girl, kept the last year she lived on the family farm, records daily events in her small New Hampshire town.

The Basketball Diaries

Jim Carroll

A poet and teenaged heroin addict, Carroll began recording his daily life in 1963.

The Tamarack Tree: A Novel of the Siege of Vicksburg

Patricia Clapp

An eighteen-year-old English girl finds her loyalties divided and all her resources tested as she and her friends experience the terrible physical and emotional hardships of the forty-seven day siege of Vicksburg in the spring of 1863.

What Kind of Love?

Sheila Cole

A 15-year-old girl reveals her own reactions and those of her friends and family as her unplanned pregnancy develops.

Among Friends

Caroline B. Cooney

Six high school juniors discover surprising, often painful things about themselves and their relationships with the people around them in the diaries they are asked to keep as a three-month English assignment.

Catherine, Called Birdy

Karen Cushman

In the Middle Ages, a young girl faces her father's demands that she marry a suitor whom she does not want.

3 NBs of Julian Drew

James Deem

An abused boy writes in code about his life.

So Far From Home: The Diary of Mary Driscoll, an Irish Mill Girl

Barry Denenberg

In the diary account of her journey from Ireland in 1847 and of her work in a mill in Lowell, Massachusetts, fourteen-year-old Mary reveals a great longing for her family.

When Will This Cruel World Be Over?

Barry Denenberg

A fourteen-year-old Virginia girl chronicles her family's losses.

Zlata's Diary

Zlata Filipovic

Zlata, a Bosnian teen, expressed her thoughts and fears during the year-long siege of Sarajevo.

Anne Frank: the Diary of a Young Girl

Anne Frank

Given a diary for her 13th birthday, Anne faithfully wrote in it while hiding in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam.

Bunkhouse Journal

Diane Johnston Hamm

Sandy, a sensitive sixteen-year-old boy spending the winter of 1911 helping his cousins on their ranch in Wyoming.

Children in the Holocaust and World War II: Their Secret Diaries

Laurel Holliday

Twenty-three young people wrote about what they saw while in hiding or imprisoned in ghettos or extermination camps.

Letters to Julia

Barbara Ware Holmes

Encouraged by a friendly editor, Liz channels her frustration with her family into a novel.

The Diary of Latoya Hunter: My First Year in Junior High

Latoya Hunter

Latoya writes about her experiences living in the Bronx.

Child of the Dark

Carolina Maria de Jesus

The author writes about her life as one of the desperately poor in a Brazilian slum.

Flowers for Algernon

Daniel Keyes

Mentally retarded Charlie Gordon participates in an experiment which turns him into a genius but only temporarily.

Keeping Secrets: the Girlhood Diaries of Seven Women Writers

Mary Lyons

Portions of the diaries of Louisa May Alcott, Kate Chopin, Alice Dunbar-Nelson, Charlotte Forten, Sarah Jane Foster, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, and Ida B. Wells appear here.

Just One Tear

K.L.Mahon

Frustrated by his inability to see justice done when his father is murdered, a boy keeps a record of his pain.

So Much to Tell You

John Marsden

A mute Australian girl writes about her traumatic past.

Wolf by the Ears

Ann Rinaldi

Harriet Hemings, rumored to be the daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings, one of his black slaves, struggles with the problems facing her.

A Hand Full of Stars

Rafik Schami

Set in Damascus, Syria, this German novel explores political repression and rebellion.

The Diary of Dawid Sierakowiak: Five Notebooks from the Lodz Ghetto

Dawid Sierakowiak

Dawid's diary entries, from age fourteen to eighteen, document the disintegration of his family in the notorious Polish ghetto.

How I Changed My Life

Todd Strasser

Overweight high school senior Bo decides to change her image while working on the school play with a former star football player who is also struggling to find a new identity for himself.

Nell's Quilt

Susan Terris

A teenager in 1899 New England dreams of college but faces the prospect of an arranged marriage instead.

Rats Saw God

Rob Thomas

In hopes of graduating, Steve York agrees to complete a hundred-page writing assignment which helps him to sort out his relationship with his famous astronaut father and the events that changed him from promising student to troubled teen.

The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, Aged 13 3/4

Sue Townsend

Adrian's working class London comes to life with the laugh-out-loud scenes he describes in his diary.

The Color Purple

Alice Walker

In her letters to God, Celie describes a life of abuse and her ultimate refusal to be a victim.

Here at the Scenic-Vu Motel

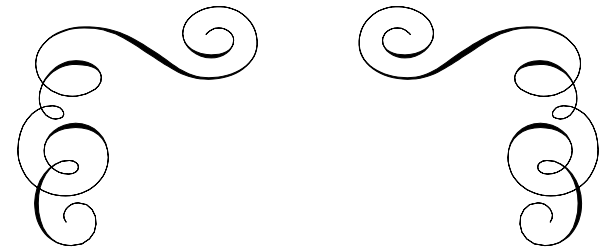
Thelma Hatch Wyss

In his senior year at Idaho's Pineville High School, Jake finds himself in charge of six other teenagers who must board at the tacky Scenic-Vu Motel, since they live too far from town to commute from their homes to school every day.

The Amazing and Death Defying Diary of Eugene Dingman

Paul Zindel

Eugene's love life is far from perfect the summer he's 15.



Diaries: Real and Imagined

