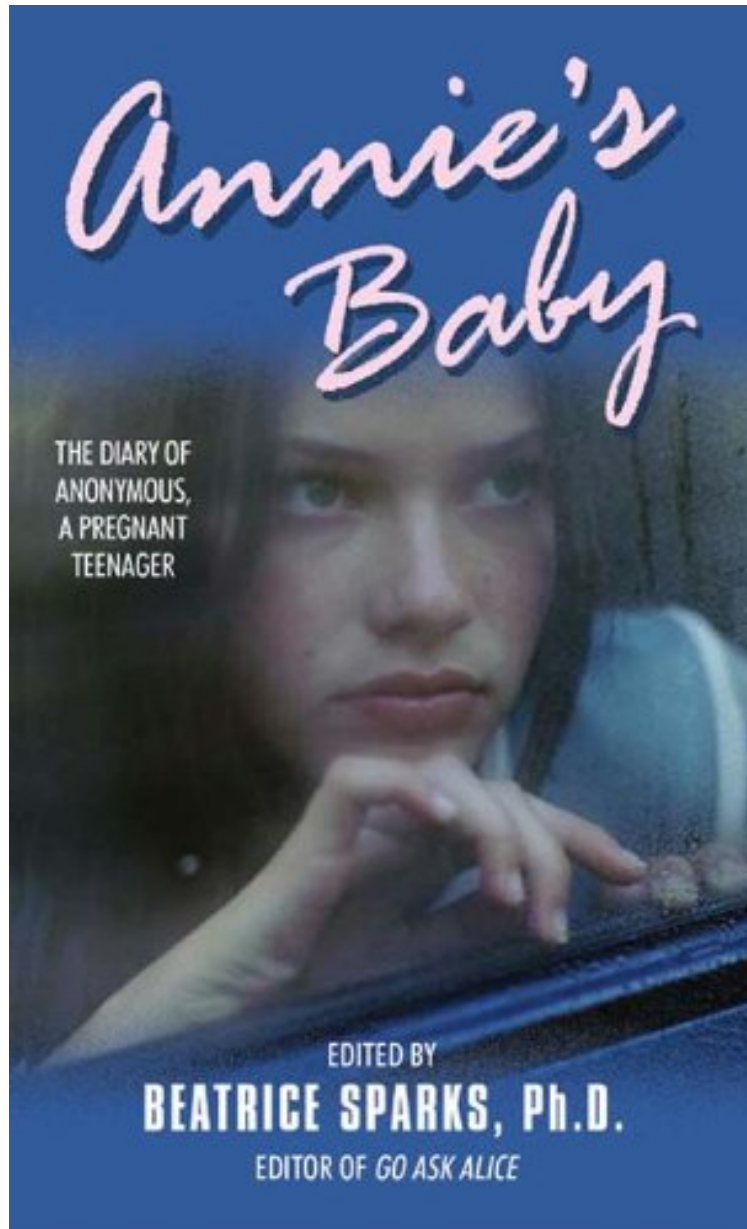


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Not a Must-ReadVon Ein Kunde_Annie's Baby_ is a good read for those teens out there who are having unprotected sex or have the "it'll never happen to me" attitude. Despite this, I was disappointed with this book and wish there was a 2 1/2 - star rating. First of all, at no point throughout the entire book was I at all convinced that this is a real diary. I am a 14-year-old girl and have been keeping a diary for years, and teenagers do not write like this. If Annie was a real teen, she would not apologize for using an occasional swear word in her OWN diary when she is being abused by her "boyfriend" AND THEN FINDS OUT SHE'S PREGNANT! Unless, of course, Annie knew that her supposed diary was being read by millions, or "Annie" is really Dr. Sparks. The whole time I was reading this book, I was trying to convince myself that perhaps, maybe, possibly this is a real diary, only to reach the Question and Answer section of the book and discover that the answers are in the exact same format as the counseling section towards the end of the book!If one can get past the fact that this is not a real diary and hope that Annie is in fact a real person, or at least a character based on a real person, than one could be impressed with this novel. Though Annie is very naive and stupid at the book's beginning, by its end she has gained amazing strength and finally makes what I feel is definitely the right decision (although, in reality, Annie would have been much more affected by this decision). I do applaud Beatrice Sparks on her attempt to better inform our generation on the consequences of unprotected sex, lying to parents, etc. ... It has obviously had a major, positive impact on the majority of teens who have read it. However, I am not going to tell you this is a must-read.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. "Annie's Baby: The Diary of Anonymous, A Pregnant Teenager"Von Ein KundeI had finished reading this very good book that was full of morals. Despite my 4 star rating, I enjoyed it every step of the way. The reason why I have reviewed it as such is because the fact that the diarist sounds more like a 10 year old than a 14 year old in the way the book has been written. I find it hard to believe that Beatrice Sparks would beguile us into thinking that she has written the book and others like "Jay's Journal", "It Happened to Nancy", "Almost Lost: The True Story of an Anonymous Teenager's Life on the Streets," and "Go Ask Alice". These books could not have been possibly written by her. An experienced person in those areas would be the only ones to write about their stories. Anne Frank, a famous Jewish diarist from World War II, was no phony. "Annie's Baby: The Diary of Anonymous, A Pregnant Teenager" is a book that I recommend for ages 14 and up. I believe that children should grow up with this book, and others like it, to learn about the world in a serious and mature tone. Rape, pregnancy, STDs, abuse, a typical teenager's life in such crises, and as well as the maturity to deal with them are all in the book. Please, I urge you to read this other and others like them to teach not only yourself but your children or possible children, and other present children that life is not a game but a gift full of responsibilities to grow up maturely in both the spirit and the body.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A real diary? I don't think so.Von Ein KundeI just completed "Annie's Baby" less than ten minutes ago, and was so disgusted with its amateurish attempts at 15-year-old vernacular that I rushed over to the computer. And, yes, I AM in a position to comment -- I am, actually and truly, 15 years old. First, plain and simple, nobody talks like that. Writing, maybe, but when the supposed "tape transcripts" were added in? Not only did the syntax of the words not line up, the "conversations" were never meant to be spoken. (I won't even mention that the QA at the end of the book, supposedly informative, held many of the same writing styles as the body of the text.) Second, Annie manages to experience a textbook case of every symptom of low self-esteem, depression, abuse, and every other blight associated with teenage pregnancy known to man, not to mention that she is, and is surrounded by, one-dimensional characters that could never exist in real life. I'm sorry that this second attempt at a novel is so poor, since I loved 'Go Ask Alice' (whether it is fiction or not.) At best "Annie" is an amalgam of several actual girls who have gone through a teenage pregnancy, put together shabbily by the author. Dr. Sparks better hope that her readers are as stupid as she has made her heroine out to be.

Kurzbeschreibung When Annie discovers she's pregnant by her boyfriend, she's devastated. She has never felt so alone. With no one she can talk to, she pours her heart out to her diary, confiding her feelings of panic, self-doubt, and the desperate hope that some day she can turn her life around. She decides she wants to keep her baby and dreams of loving and caring for this little person. But after the baby is born, it's in her diary that she faces the agonizing question: Can she really raise this child on her own?From Publishers WeeklySparks (It Happened to Nancy) shares another slice of a troubled teen's life, this time focusing readers' attention on the topic of teen sex and pregnancy. The first, most excruciating entries in 14-year-old Annie's diary trace her victimization and impregnation by a manipulative and sadistic boyfriend. Completely obsessed with 16-year-old Danny ("He called me an 'Earth Angel.' And I think I'm going to commit myself completely to being just that for him, no matter what!"), Annie is less prepared than readers for the devastating fall she takes the day her home pregnancy test comes out pink. The remaining, more solution-oriented segments of the book convey Annie's arduous climb from rock-bottom ("I CANNOT BEAR TO FACE IT! I WILL NOT!") to a state in which she can confront her mistakes and plan for herself and her child. With the support of her exceptionally tolerant mother, patient teachers and a nonjudgmental therapist (supposedly Sparks), Annie changes

from a self-deprecating romantic ("Could plain me possibly be good enough for awesome him?") to a more level-headed realist, who learns, painfully, to put her baby's needs before her own. The book carries a strong anti-abortion sentiment and has an aura of soap opera as well. However, it provides a plethora of objective and valuable information about sex, pregnancy and birth control, and even includes a "What Is Love?" quiz to help girls assess their relationships. An appendix lists relevant statistics, crisis and information hotline numbers, and other useful resources. Tackling issues young adolescents are often reluctant to discuss with adults, this volume will likely find a place on the reference shelf. Ages 12-up. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. From School Library Journal Grade 6-10-

A book that's sure to be as popular as *Go Ask Alice* (S S, 1971), which was also edited by Sparks. Annie, 14, falls head over heels for handsome, wealthy 16-year-old Danny when he befriends her. She lies to her mother to go out with him and he takes her to drinking parties in his red convertible. Annie is soon totally dependent on him despite his frequent bad moods and erratic behavior. When he rapes her, he tells her that she led him on and made him lose control. She continues to love him even as he abuses her both physically and emotionally. Annie is heartbreaking in her trust and hope that Danny will turn back into the sweet, gentle boy she fell in love with only a few months earlier, and she becomes desperate when her period fails to come on schedule. Finally, she has to tell her mother and figure out what to do. The diary format is a surefire draw for teens and preteens. This book has the same errors in grammar and flow problems as *Alice*, but they lend realism to the narrative. Not as graphic as the earlier title, *Annie's Baby* displays a 14 year old's naiveté about sexuality and bodily functions. Buy multiple copies and prepare for the onslaught of requests. Susan R. Farber, Ardsley Public Library, NY Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.