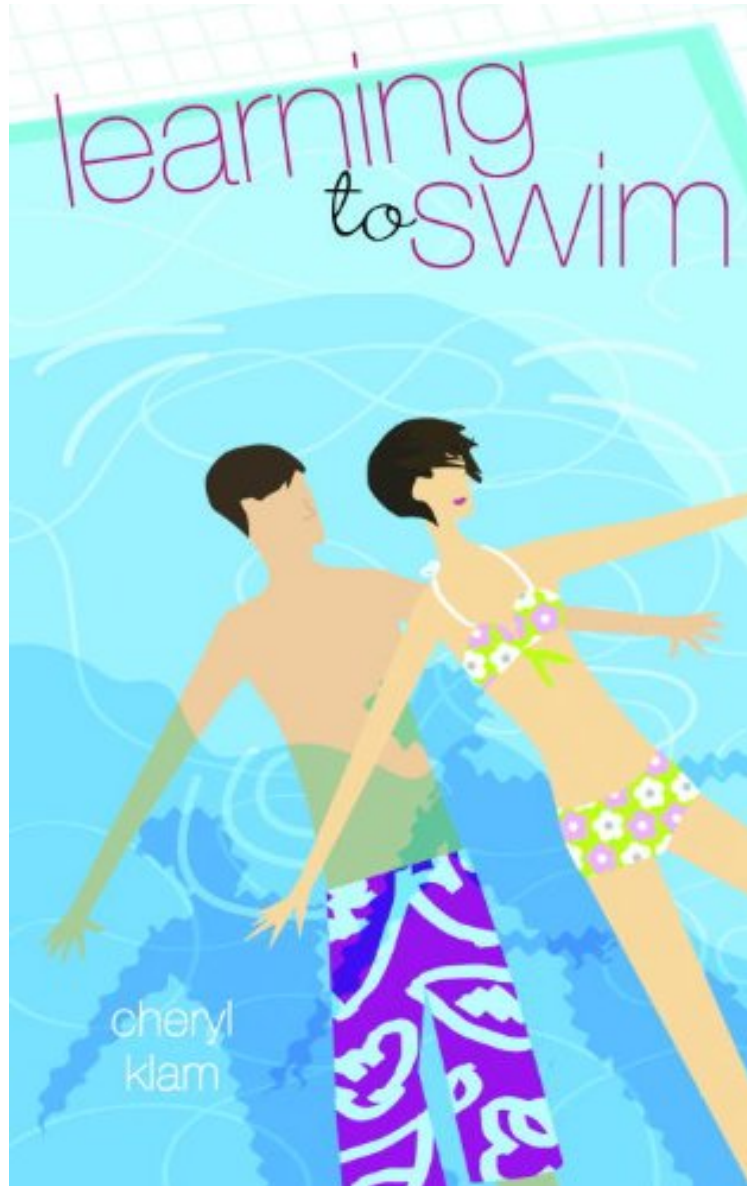


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Courtesy of Teens Read TooVon TeensReadTooSteffie Rogers' life is a mess. Her lovestruck mother moves her every time a relationship goes bad, and she has a less-than-amazing summer job as a maid at a Country Club.There is one bright

spot though: a hot lifeguard named Keith McKnight, who Steffie is obsessed with. However, Keith's got a snooty, fake girlfriend who he's practically in love with, and he doesn't even know that Steffie exists. Things cannot get any worse for her. However, it all changes one day when a near fatal accident brings Keith and Steffie together. She suddenly finds herself spending more and more time with him, and developing the love-loony symptoms of her crazy mother. Will love lunacy get the best of her? Or can she conquer the madness before it takes over? LEARNING TO SWIM is a very cute book with outrageous characters and funny dialogue. Readers will definitely identify with Steffie's parental problems, and her unrequited love. LEARNING TO SWIM is a great beach book; exciting, and very entertaining to read. It will be a hit among readers who are looking for a little adventure in their lives this summer, and want to read a sweet, different story with a little spunk... and swimming. Reviewed by: Amanda Dissinger

Kurzbeschreibung Seventeen-year-old Steffie Rogers is not happy. Her mother, Barbie, has been suffering from love lunacy since before Steffie was even born. What is love lunacy? It's what happens to her mom when she has affairs with married men. The first stage is the Secret Smile and the last stage occurs when the relationship falls apart: Barbie picks another town in Maryland and they move, which they've done 14 times. Now Steffie lives on Jones Island and is working as a maid at a country club over the summer (long story). She's in love with handsome lifeguard Keith McKnight, but he already has a girlfriend. When Keith offers to teach Steffie how to swim, she finds herself in his arms and fighting the symptoms of love lunacy. But with the help of her feisty, older friend Alice, she's determined not to drown in her mother's problems. Still, Steffie is about to discover that swimming against the current isn't so easy. From the Trade Paperback edition. From School Library Journal Grade 8 Up It's summer and Steffie is working at a country club on wealthy Jones Island, MD, where her only friend is 60-something fellow-maid Alice. When the 17-year-old nearly drowns, she is saved by hunky lifeguard Keith, who offers her swimming lessons. At this point, it becomes evident how predictable this title will be: Keith slowly falls in love with Steffie and breaks up with his girlfriend. Meanwhile, Steffie's mom, Barbie, suffers from what her daughter terms "love lunacy." She continually falls for married men, gets ditched, and then they have to move to avoid the man and his family. This has happened 14 times already. The teen fears that she is repeating her mother's mistakes and worries that, regardless of how things pan out with her relationship, she and her mom will be moving soon anyway. While Klam's debut chick-lit novel falls prey to some sloppy writing in the first half, and a somewhat silly premise Barbie forbids Steffie from learning how to swim because her own parents drowned the antics between the two maids are endearing. Nevertheless, some of the references especially to clothing brands seem off the mark from what contemporary teens are after, and may date the book. Authors like Sarah Dessen manage similar topics with tighter writing and more feeling, making this an additional purchase for most libraries. Jennifer Barnes, Homewood Library, IL Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. Kurzbeschreibung Seventeen-year-old Steffie Rogers is not happy. Her mother, Barbie, has been suffering from love lunacy since before Steffie was even born. What is love lunacy? It's what happens to her mom when she has affairs with married men. The first stage is the Secret Smile and the last stage occurs when the relationship falls apart: Barbie picks another town in Maryland and they move, which they've done 14 times. Now Steffie lives on Jones Island and is working as a maid at a country club over the summer (long story). She's in love with handsome lifeguard Keith McKnight, but he already has a girlfriend. When Keith offers to teach Steffie how to swim, she finds herself in his arms and fighting the symptoms of love lunacy. But with the help of her feisty, older friend Alice, she's determined not to drown in her mother's problems. Still, Steffie is about to discover that swimming against the current isn't so easy. From the Trade Paperback edition.