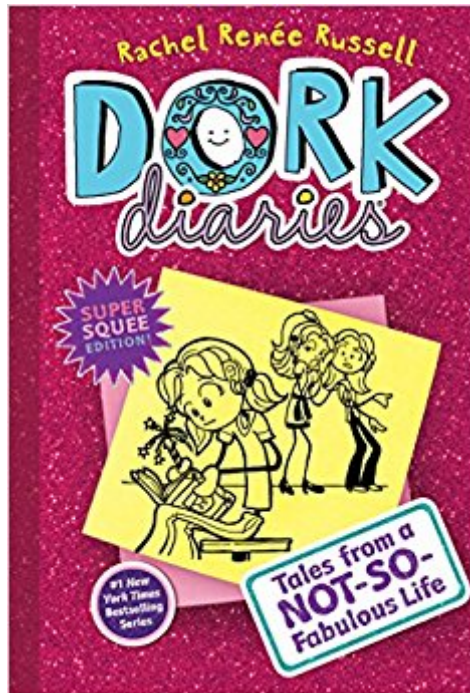




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Dork Diaries 1: Tales From A Not-So-Fabulous Life



Synopsis

Meet Nikki Maxwell! She's starting eighth grade at a new school and her very first diary packed with hilarious stories and art in this SUPER SQUEE updated edition of Book One of the #1 New York Times bestselling Dork Diaries series! Nikki confesses all in her first diary ever: her epic battle with her mom for an iPhone, meeting her new soon-to-be BFFs Chloe and Zoey, falling for adorably sweet crush Brandon, dealing with her zany little sister Brianna's antics and the immediate clashes with mean girl Mackenzie, who becomes Nikki's rival in a schoolwide art competition. Nearly 30 million books in print worldwide!

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Age Range: 9 - 13 years

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Customer Reviews

Grade 5-8
Fourteen-year-old Nikki J. Maxwell has been awarded a scholarship to a prestigious private middle school as a part of her father's bug extermination contract. Her angst as she deals with the resident mean girl, her embarrassing parents, her crush on the hot boy, and making new friends are all recorded alongside numerous sketches of her life. Although occasionally amusing, Nikki is not a very likable character. She is shallow and self-centered and fails to show any growth in the book, even as she one-ups popular and cruel MacKenzie in the end. In fact, Nikki, who

steals her neighbor's hearing aid and plays pranks on her little sister, is somewhat of a mean girl herself. All the other characters are underdeveloped, including Nikki's family and her new BFFs, Chloe and Zoey. Black-and-white drawings, which are often witty, appear throughout the text, which is printed on lined pages as though from a diary. Fans of Jeff Kinney's *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* (Abrams) may enjoy this book, but it's an additional purchase. —Terry Ann Lawler, Phoenix Public Library, AZ Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Filled with fun illustrations, and fonts that keep you looking, Rachel Renee Russell has created for girls what Jeff Kinney did for boys with his *Wimpy Kids* series. * .com five star review * *Dork Diaries* is so laugh-out-loud funny and original I stayed up late reading it, just to see what would happen next - and to get that next laugh! -- Kate Brian, author of *Private series* A tantalising series * *Waterstones Books Quarterly* * Spot on for the tween market * *The Bookseller* * The *Dork Diaries* series is fast becoming my favourite for younger readers ... More please! * *Wondrous Reads Blog* * A brilliant read! * *Mizz* * --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

My grand daughter requested more *Dork Diaries* books for her birthday so I got her this one and another one. She was reading or had read another one in the series and just loved it so she wanted more of them to read. She really likes this series and enjoys reading them. I can only go by what she says as I have yet to read one.

My daughters bedtime is 8:30, but if she chooses to read she may stay up til 9:00. Before she would sometimes rather go to bed because she loathed reading. That is until *Dork Diaries*....Now she is disappointed when I go in to remind her to put her kindle away, for bedtime. Every night she says you always come in at the best parts! This book is about situations young girls can relate too. I agree there are some things mentioned that I thought ... hmmm should that be in there? (I also feel that way about Disney movies) but it breezes right over her head; or has stimulates conversation with me, which is who she should be learning from. Thank you *Dork Diaries* for kindling my daughters love for reading, opening topics, encouraging young girls to embrace what makes them unique, and establishing self acceptance. We are now on book 3, only 3 weeks after starting the 1st book.

I bought this book for my granddaughter. She really loves the *Dork Diary* series and passes them along to her best friend when she has finished reading them! They are funny and fun to read and

she is eager to start the next one as soon as she finishes one. I have read a little bit of each and find that the characters in the books are very typical young teens and have very typical experiences, conflicts and adventures. Since this is written in the first person, by the diarist, the experiences have the feeling of reality. They share her frustrations, successes, fears, school experiences, difficult relationships with others and special relationships with her best friends. One of the best features are the many black and white drawings that illustrate some of the diary passages. They are really well done. My granddaughter has been coloring some of them in with colored pencils. She said she shouldn't write in books, but I encouraged her to this time and it has been fun for her. This book (Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Popular Party Girl) is the second in the series and when my granddaughter finished it she was eager for the 3rd. I had already ordered it through . She was surprised that I had it ready to give her when she finished this one. I'll keep buying them as long as she is interested and as long as the author writes them. This series is really good for an early teenaged girl.

My 12-year-old daughter absolutely loves this series. She has been reading them for the last couple of years. In fact we just bought the most recent one this week. She can read these in a couple of hours. They are also AR books and she can take an accelerated reader test at school.

My daughter liked this book, but it wasn't her favorite. She said it was good, but it was all about bullying and the main character cried a lot. She didn't think it was as inspirational as Rachel Renee Russell's other Dork Diaries. She did like that in the end the main character made a lot of friends.

My 9 year old daughter loves these books. She's already on the 3rd one. This seller shipped out the book quickly and packaged it securely so that it wouldn't be damaged. Thank you I'll be back for book 4

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This book shows you the life of millions Maxwell as a teen. Rachael Renee Russell shows you the life of her daughter

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