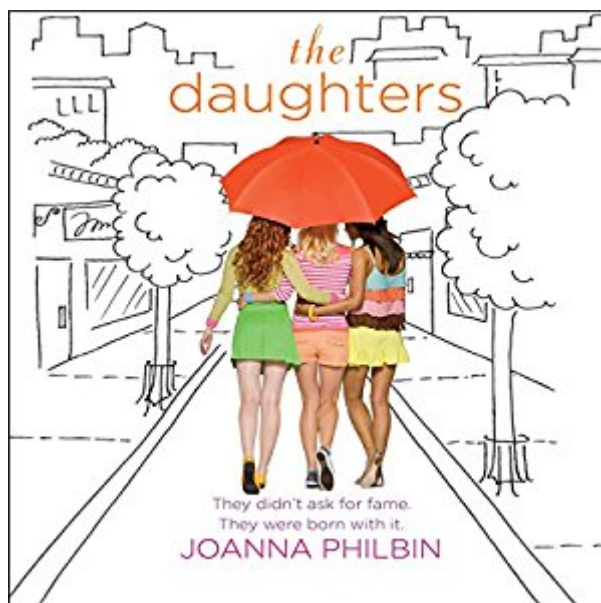


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# The Daughters



## Synopsis

In this charming YA series tailored for younger teens, Joanna Philbin explores what it's really like to grow up in the thick of the celebrity world. The novels center around three friends: Lizzie, the daughter of a world famous super model; Carina, whose father is an internationally recognized media magnate; and Hudson, daughter of an a-list pop star. As these three level-headed girls work to strike a balance between ordinary high school events--like finding dates to the homecoming dance--and glamorous family functions-- like walking the red carpet with mom and dad--they discover the pitfalls of fame and the importance of friendship. In book one, we meet Lizzie--the awkward-looking daughter of Katya, supermodel extraordinaire. Lizzie's not sure she can ever conquer her fear of cameras, but when she's approached by a fashion photographer who believes that Lizzie is "the new face of beauty," our sweet and usually shy heroine is thrust into the media spotlight. Does Lizzie really want to follow in her mother's footsteps? Or, would she rather be a normal girl worried about homework and the surprise resurfacing of her childhood crush? Being a daughter of a celebrity isn't always easy... but at least Lizzie has her other "daughters-of" friends, and, ultimately, her mom, to help her through. --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

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## Customer Reviews

So your parents are famous. So you can't go anywhere with your mom or dad without the paparazzi following you. So you struggle to hold onto that "normal life" you want so much... you should be happy, right? If that's what you think, then you clearly aren't a Daughter. Only the Daughters know

what life is like as a Daughter, and there is no one better to tell the tale in *The Daughters* than Joanna Philbin, Regis Philbin's Daughter! Lizzie's mother is the supermodel Katia Summers. Carina's father is one of the wealthiest men in the world. Hudson's mother Holla is a platinum record selling pop star (think Madonna!). Together, they are Daughters, and the Daughters have rules. First, only another Daughter understands what it is like to be a Daughter. Second, Daughters can only trust other Daughters. Finally, Daughters never talk to the press. It is hard living in the shadow of you parents, but life as a Daughter is more difficult than you could imagine. When Lizzie experiences a case of verbal diarrhea to a reporter and calls her mother's new clothing line "slutty", she is all over the papers... the last thing frizzy-haired, plain Lizzie wants. While this garners her a lot of unwanted attention, it also gets her noticed by some of the right people, in particular, a photographer who is labeled as the "ugly model" photographer. What she really likes are real people, people who aren't size 00, but in the fashion world, anyone who is larger than a size 2 and shorter than 6 feet tall is "ugly". At first, Lizzie isn't sure about going to the shoot, but eventually her curiosity wins the best of her. She goes and something happens. Plain, forgettable Lizzie loves being photographed. She feels free, she feels beautiful, and it is amazing. Her photographs quickly catch the eye of many people and when she is named the newest, hottest young model in the business, Lizzie isn't quite ready for everything that entails. Luckily, she has the other Daughters to help her through. This was a really fun story about how fame and fortune affect everyone, not just the person who is famous. It makes you think about all those children like the Osbournes, Drew Barrymore, Rumer Willis and other Daughters of famous people. How do they grow up with everything they do scrutinized and in the public spotlight? I can't imagine! Being a teenager is hard enough, but having to battle the paparazzi in the middle of puberty is simply evil! *The Daughters* is a series about these daughters, and I am looking forward to the other books in the series. It is great for any middle reader girls inching their way to young adult novels. Any girl who liked Ally Carter's two series' *Gallagher Girls* and *Heist Society* would like these stories. I see them as books for the "Gossip Girl" circuit. They are fun and goofy, and really have some strong morals behind the glitz and glam. And for all those real girls and women out there, I can never hear enough "no more size zeroes"!

My fourteen year old had purchased this book and I started to read it on a whim. Soon, I was totally caught up in the characters and hooked on the story. Joanna Philbin has done such a great job portraying what it's like to be fourteen; all the angst that goes with school, relationships, friends and of course dealing with your parents. The parents in this book just happen to have celebrity status

which adds a whole other element to it. The three friends who are the "daughters", are finding out where their interests and talents lie and are trying to get out from under their parents rule. Typical teenage stuff but their parents are famous and they have to contend with that too. Arguments ensue, misunderstandings happen and mistakes are made. There is also a teen romance budding. Intriguing story, well written. I'm going to have to buy the other books in the series to see what the daughters are going to do next!

This book was very good. I loved the romance, and adventure of this book. I was always on the edge of my seat. I also loved that the book is very relatable, in the sense that girls are always concerned about their looks; also that they are always comparing themselves. I really loved it.

nice story, easy to read

It must be hard to be the daughter of the most beautiful woman in the world. It must also be hard to be the daughter of Regis and Joy Philbin. But Joanna Philbin manages to catch both the best and the worst things about being the child on the sidelines and how it affects your own life and image of yourself. It's a great book for pre-teens moving to Junior high school this fall as it shows them that who they know they are, and what others think about them aren't always the same, and that it doesn't matter if you're different. It'll all be about looking inside yourself and liking who you see in the mirror and not believing others when they try to knock you down.

My daughter read the entire series this summer. She is going into 6th grade and we have been having a hard time finding books that she enjoys (girly, fashion related). She read and loved the two books from the Allegra Biscotti Collection and was hoping for more in that series but no luck yet. We hunted for another girly series and found this one. She couldn't put the books down - went from finishing one to starting another all summer.

A great novel with wonderful, characters to which a girl of any age can relate. The New York setting was vivid and easy to picture, even to someone who has only visited a handful of times. A real page-turner with an ending leaving me wanting more...and ready to purchase the next book in the series. A great message about self-acceptance which every girl needs to hear.

My tween daughter has enjoyed all of Joanna Philbin's books.

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