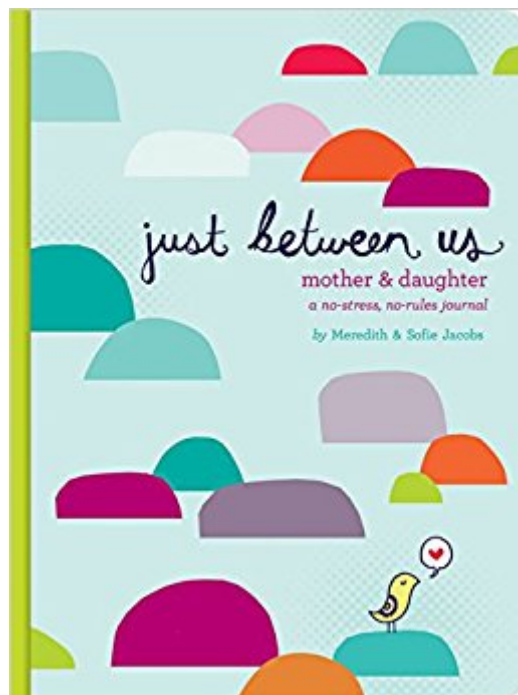




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# Just Between Us: Mother & Daughter: A No-Stress, No-Rules Journal



## Synopsis

"Packed with writing prompts, it's the perfect gift for Mother's Day." —*Girl's Life* magazine  
Have you ever wondered...What your mom thought the moment you were born? Or where your daughter would go if she could go anywhere in the universe? Thoughtful writing prompts and entertaining mini quizzes pave the way to discussing everything from friends and school to crushes and growing up. Plenty of free space for writing about whatever comes to mind, plus pages for drawing and making lists, ensure this journal stays refreshingly open-ended. With advice and perspectives from both generations, two lovely ribbon bookmarks (one each for mother and daughter!), and appealing illustrations, this deluxe hardcover journal has already established itself as a bestselling phenomenon. It's a surefire hit with moms and girls alike! For those granddaughters out there, don't miss *Just Between Us: Grandmother & Granddaughter: A No-Stress, No-Rules Journal*.

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## Customer Reviews

"This journal is such a nice way for moms to strengthen the bonds with their daughters"-*People Magazine*

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I am nineteen, and I recently bought this book for my mom for mother's day. She was completely stunned and thrilled by the idea of a mother-daughter journal. We have already written in a couple of the beginning entries each which ask things like-"Favorite song..." and "Favorite thing to do with mother/daughter...", and filling out these random but entertaining questions is a great way to start the journal as well as dive into the more thoughtful questions which involve things like first memories. After reading several of the customer reviews of this book, I was a little hesitant to buy it because most of the reviews involved the daughters being no older than twelve. But I assure every mother and daughter that this is a great book for older ages as well as long as the mother and daughter are close-such as is my experience. Even though I am nineteen, this book does not seem childish or the entries forced because we enjoy having this new ability to bond. It also seemed personal at least for us since I write stories, so this was like offering a branch of my life to my mom who doesn't really share in this part of my life. It is also great because it allows for very short yet heartfelt entries which do not take much time to complete. Another wonderful feature of this book is that it helps both the mother and the daughter relive memories as well as share each other's. It is both light and entertaining which allows for a good distraction and escape from the hassle and occasional chaos of the world. The best part of this book, though, is that it lets mothers and daughters share in one another's lives as well as create new memories and stories together. I highly recommend this book to any mother and daughter team wanting an excuse or way to bond. Some of the questions, such as the ones which involve dating, do seem meant for children probably no younger than six, but there are many more fun entries and activities such as guessing and drawing which items are in the other's purse/bookbag. They also involve future advice for dating, so these questions may seem a little late for teenagers and older daughters. Yet, I found this book to overall be a wonderful idea as well as an outlet, and I applaud the mother-daughter team who began this journal. It is truly a great buy!

Lately, my daughter's been using nothing but scowls, eye rolls and door slams to communicate with me. I didn't have high hopes for this journal, but figured if nothing else my daughter would fill in HER part, even if she didn't want to involve me. It turns out she has a lot to discuss with me. I guess the book gives her the safety of distance. She not only immediately started filling in her personal info, but started asking me questions, on paper, about personal problems she's been having at school.

I'm not sure my answers are helping her much, but she keeps writing and leaving the journal for me to respond in, which is a good sign. If you have a tween girl who's become almost unrecognizably crabby and sullen, I say give it a try. It may turn out she wants you in her life more than she's letting on.

I bought this for myself and my almost 11 year old. The book is aesthetically pleasing and the cover has a nice feel to it. I read through the book and I'd like to highlight some fantastic things right off the bat....1- Questions or topics are suitable for a wide array of ages. Many are "too big" for my 11 yr old but many are perfect. I bought the book in the hopes that we can write in it throughout the years...so this is perfect! I can see us writing in it tonight and throughout her high school and college years. I'll write a couple topics/questions for some examples--Here's the story of the most embarrassing thing that happened to me in school and how I got through it...-Before I fall asleep, I think about...- my biggest regret...2.The size is perfect3. It comes with two attached, ribbon, bookmarks. One for mom and one for daughter.So, happy customer here... You can't beat the price for this adorable journal.

My daughter is 10 years old and I've always told her she can tell me anything. When I found this journal, I thought I'd give it a try. Not only has it created a special bond between us, but she feels more open to write down questions or ideas to share with me that may otherwise be too embarrassing for her to share otherwise. She'll write in it and put it on my nightstand. I make it a point to give her the advice she needs or just tell her an equally embarrassing story so she doesn't feel alone. I make it a point to get it back to her night stand as soon as possible so she feels like it's important enough and that I truly do care about what she's thinking and feeling. Too often we get so busy and wrapped up in other things, we forget these little humans we're raising really need our undivided attention!They don't seem to have one of these books for "Mom and Son" but my 8 year old son soon wanted this special bond also. I purchased a regular "manly" looking journal and wrote a very special message on the inside cover for him. He's my tough child. The one that fights back with everything. I cannot believe the change in him almost immediately after starting the journal. He was daddy's boy almost his entire 8 years. Now we have such an amazing bond because he feels he can tell me anything. His first entry was about a girl who likes him at school. It was my chance to write down how special girls are and the right way to treat them.We do a lot of different things, like at dinner we ask what their favorite part of their day and the worst part. I tell them everyday to make sure they do at least one act of kindness a day, but more importantly I ask them what they noticed someone did for them as an act of kindness. I want them to keep their eyes and hearts open to

realize there is good in the world and it happens everyday to all of us. Even doing these little things, I wanted something more and these journals are perfect!! If you haven't done this yet and want a way to bring you and your children closer, I highly suggest doing this. All the great advice my mom taught me before she passed away can now be shared in words with my children and they seem to hold on to the words better than if I spoke them.

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