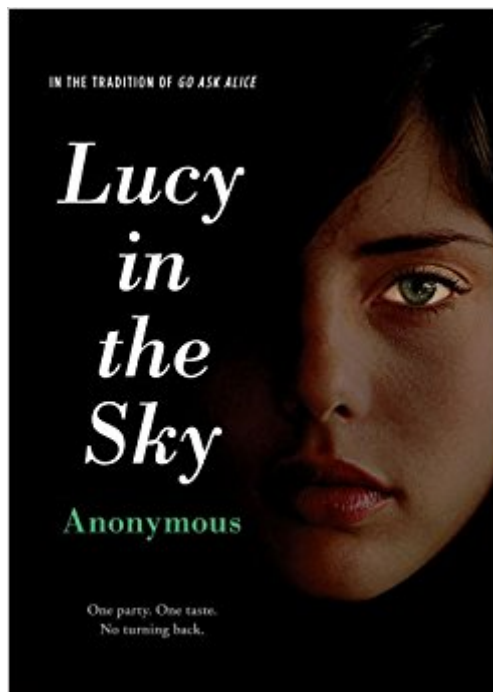


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# Lucy In The Sky



## Synopsis

.The author of this diary began journaling on her sixteenth birthday. She lived in an upper middle class neighborhood in Santa Monica with her mom, dad, and Berkeley-bound older brother. She was a good girl, living a good life...but one party changed everything. One party, where she took one taste and liked it. Really liked it. Social drinking and drugging lead to more, faster, harder... She convinced herself that she was no different from anyone else who liked to party. But the evidence indicates otherwise: Soon she was she hanging out with an edgy crowd, blowing off school and everything she used to care about, all to find her next high. But what goes up must come down, and everything from her first swig, to her last breath is chronicled in the diary she left behind.

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## Customer Reviews

"Both engrossing and titillating; readers curious about drugs and readers who wouldn't dream of touching them will find satisfaction here." --"Kirkus Reviews". "this quick read will especially appeal to reluctant readers and Ellen Hopkins's fans." --SLJ "Chronicles a frighteningly realistic portrait of adolescent addiction." --"VOYA"

Anonymous could be anyone you know.

To begin with, this book is mainly written for younger readers. I am in my 60's. Sometimes, the

writing was immature, but it is supposed to be a diary of a teen. However, I did find it very interesting, and, at times, didn't want to put it down because I needed to see what was going to happen next. It is very scary to think that someone so young could be influenced so easily. Perhaps, this should be required reading for all young teens to see what they could easily get themselves into. I'm glad I read it, because it really opened up my eyes to a whole, new different world.

If you are a fan of Go Ask Alice you will fall in love with this book as well. The story telling is very much the same but updated to today's problems. It is a believable story and will draw you in. I feel like Go Ask Alice was a bit more gripping in its telling as there were times she wasn't saying much where the narrator in Lucy In The Sky doesn't fail at describing what is going on. This is also due to the fact that they are different type of addiction stories. That being said it is a sometimes graphic story with sexual themes and drug use. This is why these type of books are often on the banned books lists. If you are thinking of getting this for someone under the age of thirteen just be aware of the themes that this does carry within it.

I think this book shows the true and real side to what drugs can do and why they are so dangerous. I felt as a teenager I could related to some degree of what she was going through. I think this was a good story because it wasn't just a story. It was like being there and actually listening to her. It was a sad story that tugged on my heart strings a little bit.

Great book! Once I started reading it, I couldn't put it down. Read it cover to cover in 3 hours. Didn't even get up to use the bathroom lol! Great ending, what a twist!

This book is written in the mind set of a teen. So for me it is mostly annoying. The story is alright, good for a quick read. A bit Boring and repetitive at times. The ending was abrupt. I like go ask Alice much better.

I'm in the middle of this book and I love it!!!! I love how these journal type books each kinda have the same back story but each other person in each book end up doing something different in the end.

You know, I feel bad. I feel this way because I'm sure my review would be much better if I hadn't read Go Ask Alice before. Unfortunately, having read it, Lucy in the Sky was such a disappointment I can't even begin to explain. First of all, it's just a dumbed down version of Go Ask Alice. In this

book, everything is extremely predictable as she builds her way up with in the intensity of the drugs. The endings are almost exactly the same, except that in Go Ask Alice I was crying my eyes out and in this one I practically didn't care by that point. The story isn't genuine anymore, and this story was obviously just someone trying to make Go Ask Alice modern to that kids could relate better. I really don't want to give anything up about the book (even though you can totally see it coming anyway). I will say this- it is EXTREMELY cliché. The power behind Go Ask Alice was that it wasn't just another girl falling down the slippery slope of drugs, it was a genuine story of struggle and sorrow and emotion. This story makes the drugs and parties seem like the best things in the entire world, to the point where some people might think to themselves "Oh I want to try that! I'll just be more careful than this girl was." Also, the book didn't do the best job of portraying an actual teenager... to me at least. I'm pretty sure most teenage girls don't ACTUALLY say "OMG let's get out of here!" in real life. If you liked Go Ask Alice, you should probably read this book anyway. If you're buying this book for someone who might benefit from it, PLEASE go with Go Ask Alice as opposed to this one.... unless the person you're buying it for has a really hard time making connections. The only not-cliché thing about this book is the fact that it makes drugs and alcohol seem like the best things ever... making it very easy for readers to take away the exact opposite message that was intended. It's just a cheap knock off of Go Ask Alice.

As someone who has experience with an addict in the family this story definitely hit home. Very good book, I was hooked instantly. It brought tears to my eyes all throughout the book, but especially at the ending. I highly recommend this book to anyone.

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