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Best friends Elizabeth and Tara*Starr now live in different towns, but they continue their friendship through letters. Paula Danziger writes in Tara's voice, and Ann M. Martin in Elizabeth's, in this complex and emotionally rich novel about two friends coping with overwhelming change.

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Karina veras says

This book is about two girls Tara*Starr and Elizabeth. Tara*Starr moved away. So to keep in touch they send letters to each other. Then Elizabeth's life went bananas, while Tara*Starr's life was going fine.

jessica says

i wasnt disappointed in this book and that's because i had absolutely no expectations. i've never heard of it before, i just wanted a decent looking book..

it was pretty similar to most other 1990s girls ya novels. the cover looks like it's straight out of full house which is understandable.

three stars is reserved for books that i finished but weren't my alltime favorite. if it's a two star or a one star, i had to read it for school and i didn't like it. i don't rate books i didn't finish. so this is three stars lol

Whitney says

I remember reading this is the fifth grade lol. I barely remember anything about it. :D

Laura Harrison says

Some people were just born to be children's book writers. Paula Danziger was one of those people. Danziger really "got" and cared for her child audience. It shows on every page. Not just this wonderful work but in everything she wrote for children. P.S Longer Letter is one of my fav Paula Danziger titles.

Ofilya Zhu says

I didn't really finish this book because I don't really like it... well more likely it got BORING

Hui Lin says

This is the kind of books that I think I like to read a lot. This book is written in the format of letters between two best friends, Elisabeth and Tara. Even though, they don't live in the same place now, they contact one another through letters. I feel like I am reading people's secrets, or things deep inside their heart when I read these kind of books. Because they will not lie to each other since they are best friends, and from these letters, you can really see what they are really thinking. I learned from this book that when people treat you as a friend, you guys will always be friends even though you don't hang out together anymore. Because no matter

how far apart friends are, they will always be friends.

♥κ?τ?ε β?αη♥ says

I love this book because it reflects something that could happen in real life and the that no matter where you are or how far away your friends will always be there!

Alexandra says

i distinctly remember reading this when i was about 11 or 12, sitting in our flowered armchair in the living room and feeling so grown up because the subject matter of this book from two favorite childhood authors of mine was very intense and so different from amber brown and the babysitters little sister books.

i remember thinking that tara*starr was such a cool name and that she was so edgy with her ripped leggings and purple streak in her hair LOL

i read this now again as an adult because i found it at a library sale (and it's signed by paula danziger!) & i wanted to see if it was as good as i remembered and as with most childhood books, when you read them as adults you're like 0_o

but this wasn't bad by any means. it was just super intense for a kid's book. (elizabeth's parents go through some shit. like a lot of it).

and tara*starr actually annoyed the shit out of me so as an adult i can safely say i side with elizabeth more so than that purple haired, loud mouthed, judgemental & opinionated tween.

oy.

glad to have this one and to have re read it. i love the snail mail aspect of it and the 90's feel of it. (nerf football games yaaaaas)
overall, it was very enjoyable.

now if i could only get ann m martin to sign it too!

Suzanne says

I found this book in a St Vincents De Paul Centre whilst on holidays and picked it up for my daughters. I was excited to find it was co authored by the author of my favourite childhood series, Ann M. Martin. I finally got to it a couple of years later whilst looking for a simple read. Her co author is Paula Danziger. This book is consisted of letter correspondence in the voice of two teenagers, after they are separated by one of the families moving. This is a simple premise, but the issues such as divorce, alcoholism and redundancy are covered, and treated with respect, all in the era pre mobile phones, internet and email. This makes for interesting and refreshing reading. Knowing a little history of Ann M. Martin I could see her quiet nature

reflected in the cautious sensible Elizabeth, and Tara* Starr was the fitting voice of the more extrovert, Paula Danziger. We will meet the girls again when they correspond via email, and I am looking forward to it. The girls will continue to learn more about themselves and each other, and much more about life as they grow up, I'm sure.

Kelli says

So, I know this is a children's book. It was on my bookshelf and I had never read it before, so I just got it out of the way and read it. It took me less than 3 hours to complete it, so it was definitely a quick read. I know that I would have liked it a lot if I were younger, probably, but I'm in high school now so I didn't see it in that way, which is expected of course. :)

This book is about 2 best friends who keep in touch through letters as one of them moves away-they can't talk much through the phone as one of their fathers won't allow it-and it's over a period of a whole year. It's a bit boring, but since it was such a quick read I didn't get too bored. One of the girls goes through a ton of financial problems, and that takes up the majority of the book. It seems like a book that was written a long time ago, which I suppose it might have been.

I don't really see how this title matches the book. I mean, they say it like a total of 3 times in the book. Just 3. I guess it is a lot better than a lot of other possible book names, but there could have been one that could have matched it perfectly. When was the girls' birthdays, by the way? They never mentioned a birthday and it was almost an entire year! But, whatever. I didn't get too into the book, because, obviously, it's a children's book and not my type, but it was cute and I didn't dislike it.

I can't say much of the book because, as I said, I didn't get into it and it was short, so that's really all I could say for it! I recommend it for elementary-middle schoolers. Not a high schooler...like me. Haha.

Overall rating: 2.3 stars.

Berniehassan says

This book is really sad, but good!

Samantha says

2 BFFs seperated, and now have to write letters to stay in touch. Calling each other is too expensive, and one of their dads was fired from his job! That family is practically broke. An OK book, not too pleasing.

Maureen Forys says

I liked this when I was on fourth grade, but it's pretty terrible. I think this is where I learned to elongate my vowels when I write to my friends. Ex: are you coming ooooover? Nooooow? You're the beeeeest. Could have done without that.

Scottsdale Public Library says

Before smart phones, before widespread internet/e-mail how in the world could two best friends communicate long-distance? Why, with (handwritten) letters, of course! 12-year-old best friends Elizabeth and Tara have just been separated by forces outside of their control. Despite having completely different personalities and families, the two girls depend on one another for support through their correspondences as their lives take unexpected twists and turns. The authors, Danziger and Martin, are friends in real life which brings an honest tone to the girls' letters. Of course, 12-year-old girls are bound to hyperbolize, but they both experience some truly difficult situations and can be relatable to even a modern-day tween. The antiquated form of communication will probably baffle younger readers, but also give them a glimpse into what life was like for those of us who grew up before technology surged forward. The audio book is an added treat as both of the authors narrate. Give this book a try - whether out of curiosity or nostalgia! –Hannah V.

Sydney Miller says

This book is a book of letters that BFF's send each other, when one of them moves away. One girl, rich and lonely begins to have problems at home, and the other girl, also gets very upset. But they stick through it together, and find a way to carry on, with the help of themselves, and their new friends.

- 1) I heard about this book, from a friend, that is also very close to me, like the girls in this story.
- 4) I think that the author, wanted us to takw away from the book, that even though friends are apart, true friends will stick together, and help each other, no matter where they are.
- 5) I would recommend this book to anyone that has this kind of situation, because the author makes it really easy to relate to the book, even if you have never been in this situation before.
- 7) A story of two girls that met in the 6th grade and been the best of friends since, and will be forever.
- 9) If this book had a background story, instead of just jumping right into the letters, t would have made more sense at first.

Zmira says

This book isn't one of my favorites i don't really like the laungege they use in the books such as charents (childish parents)

Shaina says

Ps longer letter later by Paula danziger is about two best friends named Elizabeth and Tara-star who have known each other for a very long time. but when they hit seventh grade Tara-star has to move away due to her childish parents and they must continue their friendship through letters.

Elizabeth is shy. She loves writing poetry. She has a little sister who she always babysits and devotes most of her time to. She has an "alcoholic father". Tara-star loves attention and wears a lot of jewelry. She has very childish parents and calls her parents by their first names.

The book is basically just letters back-and-forth from the perspectives of the two girls. their writing styles are really different from each other which is really cool to see. And it's also cool to see how each girl reacts to the letter that was sent to her.

I recommend this book for people who like realistic fiction and books about Family life.

Michelle R. says

I loved this book! It was so good! I love books that are written in letter form. I recommend it to girls.

Ceinwen Langley says

I can't really be objective about this book. I found it on my Mum's bookshelf last week and absolutely had to read it again. It's short and sweet and made me feel like I was twelve again. And hasn't actually dated too badly, despite the severe lack of technology (oh, late nineties!). A lovely little read for older kids and younger teens (and nostalgic twenty-something's).

E says

I loveddddddd this book! It was such a good read for me
I read it multiple times. Back when I actually read books over often enough. But I would recommend this book. 11-15yr olds I think would be the perfect timing to read this book. But ofc you can read this if you are much older.
