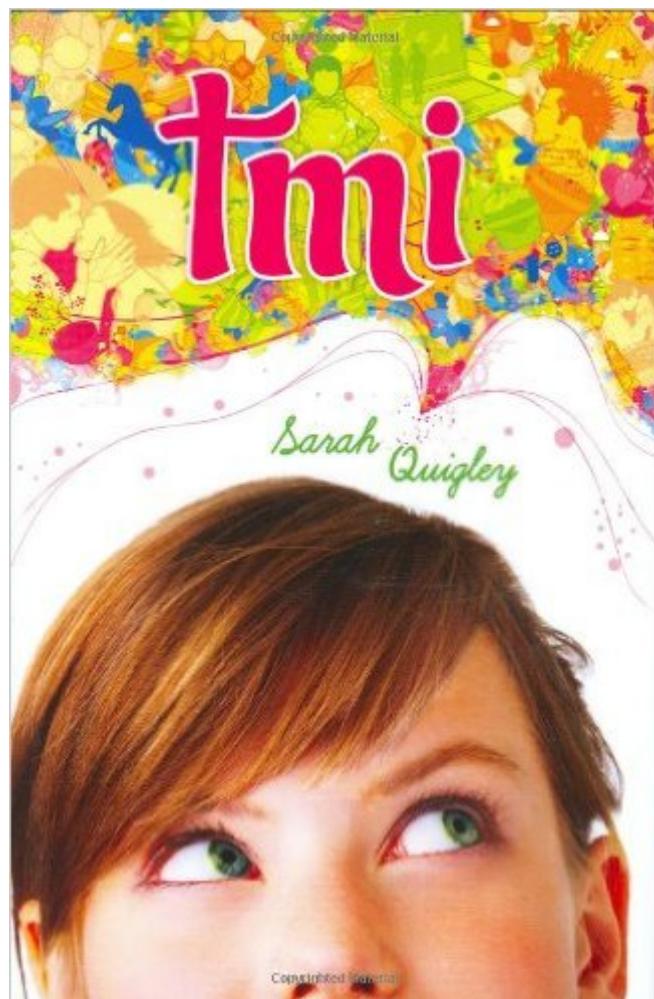


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Synopsis

Friends call Becca the Overshare Queen, but her tendency for TMI never seemed like a problem to her until she blabs about her sweet band-geek boyfriend's sloppy kisses; and gets dumped! Realizing it may be better to resist the temptation to overshare face-to-face, Becca decides to blog anonymously about everything instead. On her blog, Too Much Information, Becca unleashes her alter ego, Bella. Bella tells it like it is . . . though perhaps with a bit more drama. After all, no one's going to read it, right??? --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

Becca has a problem: She has a big mouth. Well, it isn't a problem to her, but to her friends, and especially her enemies. Oh, and her boyfriend, who dramatically breaks up with her after she spills one of his secrets and he finds out. She decides that instead of being a blabbermouth, she'll be a blogger, just like the glamorous New York blogger she follows. Meanwhile, she shares major news, like the fact that her mom is pregnant and her best friend, Jai, is gay. She's also managed to make an enemy of one of her school's Meanest Girls when she beats her out for the lead in the school play (*Grease*). As her friendships start to unravel, Becca has to rethink her oversharing, while also dealing with issues like her 3-year-old brother who always wants to be naked, and her new crush.

Quigley makes Becca a likeable, if flawed, character, and while there are a few loose ends that don't totally get tied up, she keeps us guessing. Becca's blog posts, with their alter egos and outlandish fantasies, are one of the best parts of the book, and Quigley makes us both want to hear more from Becca and want, for her, for her to learn to be a little more circumspect. Both strike a good balance and make this a great read.

This book took me right back to high school. It was so fun to read that I finished it in one day. I hope there's a sequel soon.

Plot: I really liked the idea of TMI. The whole idea of teens having blogs and the repercussions of blogs is something that isn't written about too much. So, the idea was very original. However, I think that this story could've been written a little better than it was. In the beginning, I found it very slow moving and boring. I didn't really get into the story until almost a hundred pages in. Then it got really exciting, but then, just after a little bit, it got boring again, and the ending seemed very slow. This book would've been lots better if the pacing was a little better, in my opinion. **Characters:** Becca has a strong personality... you can tell that from even the summary. However, I do not have a strong personality, and that made it hard for me to relate to Becca. I could in certain aspects, but parts of the book such as talking a lot, sharing too much information, I could not. I actually related to Becca's friend, Katie, more than I did Becca. Becca was a wonderfully written character, don't get me wrong, it was just hard to relate to her. I also really like Jai's character. He was funny and really made me laugh a lot. **Wow Factor:** This book could've been better if the pacing was more even. That's really the main reason why I found it hard to read this book. However, it's still a pretty good read -- it has a message, but it's not at all very serious, it's still a light read.

TMI was a fun and thoughtful book. I found it easier to relate to than most other books set in high school. Most of the things that happen in this book happen everyday in the halls of high schools. Also the characters seemed like people I know, definitely. So while I myself related more with Becca's friend Katie (I personally tend to undershare) I definitely got a kick out of Becca, let's just say I have a few overshare queens in my own family! I definitely know what it's like to hear things about yourself from other people, nothing bad but not exactly something you wanted out there! But at the same time I know how easy it is to say too much and then realize well maybe I shouldn't have said that! I really liked all the other characters as well, especially Becca's crush Matt, her friend Jai, and her family! A good chunk of the book revolves around a high school musical of Grease! Boy did I

love that, I was totally a set painter in high school! I never wanted to be on stage though! About a year and a half ago I actually got hired by my former high school to do set painting, sound, and graphic design. It was a ball, mostly because my sister was in the musical! Where we went to high school the theatre is a big deal so it's great to see that reflected in this book! And of course, I loved the blogging part of the book, gotta love it! And I definitely appreciated the author's descriptions of the evil that is a Minnesota winter, it's true y'all! Getting back to how realistic I found most of the book, I thought the ending was perfect, it was very believable for me. I can't wait to see what the author has in store for us next!

This is one book I've been looking forward to for a LONG time and I was so excited to get a copy. I now must admit that it is one of my new-favorite books. Becca is probably the character I've been able to relate to most since I often tend of overshare a lot of information no one cares about. It tends to get me in a bit of trouble but like Becca, I find it really hard to stop. I understood everything she went through, her thoughts behind her not-so-smart actions and could easily see myself (re)acting the same exact way. The cast of secondary characters, particularly Jai and Katie, were also well-developed and relatable. Jai is probably one of my new favorite characters and I reread the major parts he played in the last few chapters multiple times. I wish I had a friend like him. I loved the part blogging played in the story, especially how we were actually able to see the posts she made. They were fun and often made me laugh. Besides, who hasn't made a slight smile from a crush into something more? The ending was perfect - I loved how everything wasn't necessarily tied up in a little neat package at the end but enough closure was given to be happy with it. My only problem with TMI was its slight predictability. Certain events were easy to predict pages before they happened. However, it was easy for me to get past this. Recommended. harmonybookreviews.wordpress.com

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