

Secrets and Kisses

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I think girls between the ages of 13-15 would most enjoy this book. It chronicles events in the life of the main character, Skylar Knight. Skylar has all kinds of issues going on in her life – friends, the final week of school, a big party, kissing, etc.

Parents may want to buy this book if their child is interested in knowing what a regular day is like for a high school girl, and some of the issues she faces.

Although this book did have some elements of jealousy, love, and fantasy, the way they were conveyed was a little plain. For me, personally, I thought the storyline wasn't terribly exciting, despite the thread of spies and assassins. The characters who introduced these elements did so in a somewhat bland way. They were almost short with their narrations, and I would have preferred learning about these elements through richer, more descriptive passages that really painted a vivid picture about the story they were retelling.

But overall, it was a quick read with some overtones of mystery that I think young girls may enjoy reading.