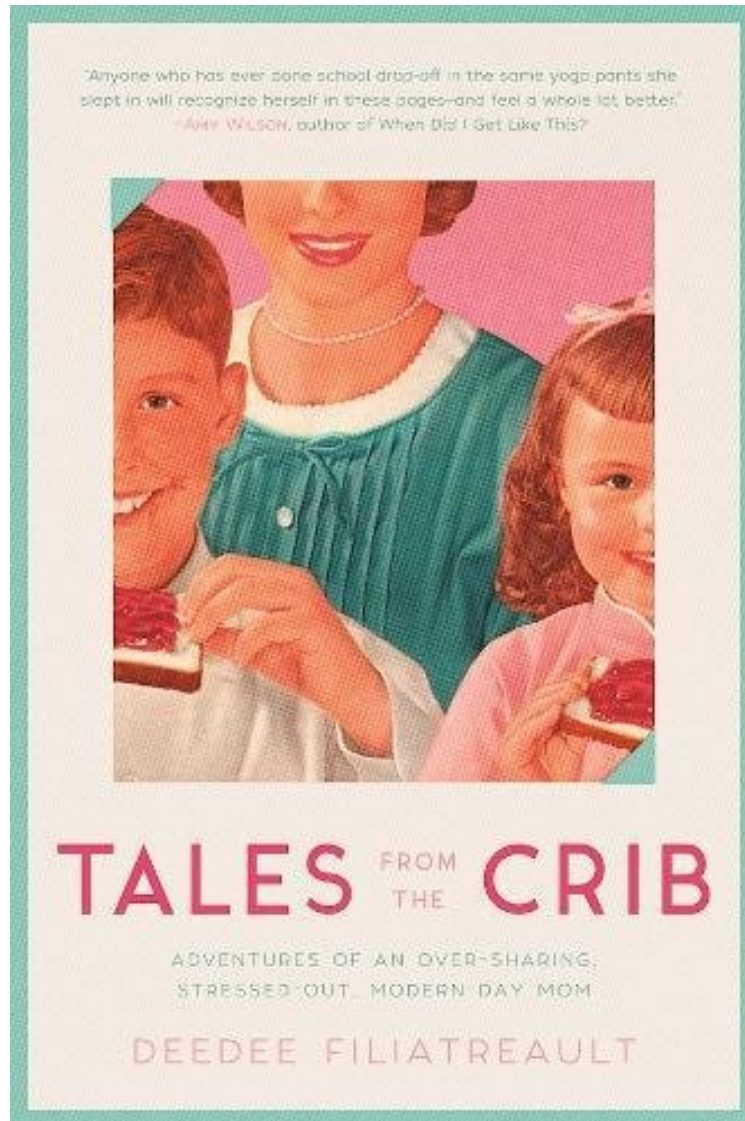


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God somebody else thinks that too!" DeeDee is that friend who has the courage to utter that snark on the tip of your tongue. She's the one you think of when you witness the ridiculous and want someone to laugh with because she makes it funnier. Everyone needs a friend who keeps it real and DeeDee keeps it real. *Tales From The Crib* is a joyful reminder that life with kids is more often than not a hot mess but one not to be missed - especially with DeeDee making the observations! A great, funny read. Like catching up with an old friend and not losing a beat. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Someone you want to laugh with over coffee. By A Reader I followed this author and her family's funny ups and downs for years in our local paper where she was a columnist. This new book of essays shares her laugh-out-loud stories of raising her son and daughter and all the familiar "situations" we can relate to (from trying to keep up with Supermoms while you're rocking your mom jeans, to that dreaded afternoon your 5th grade son comes home from "the sex talk" at school), DeeDee Filiatreault is that must-have girlfriend (even if only on the page!) in her honest and humorous storytelling--she's someone we all wish would meet us for Moms Night Out and have us wondering what we would ever do without her funny take on all of our lives. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Delightfully enjoyable book! By JB 3 This book is a genuine and warm compilation of stories to which all parents can relate! It's a refreshing and truly humorous reminder that we are all doing the best we can when it comes to parenting. As DeeDee bravely shares her own struggles, insights, and experiences of motherhood, she does so in a sincere way that makes the reader feel joyfully understood! This is a funny book written by an amazing writer! I hope to see more from her in the future!

*Tales from the Crib* will make all parental units feel better about themselves—no vegetables required. Let's be honest. Nobody wants to sit next to that chipper mom at playgroup who knows everything. Please. You want to plop down by the mom who's just as clueless and cranky as you are and have a good, hearty, conspiratorial laugh together. Because that mom gets it. That mom makes you feel better. That mom isn't afraid to admit that chicken nuggets are one of her household's major food groups (though she is fraught with guilt over it). That mom is just like you. That mom is DeeDee Filiatreault—a regular housewife with fairly normal kids (if there is such a thing). But unlike you, she writes all her ridiculous family stuff down (for her newspaper column and blog) with wit, snark, heart, faith, and far fewer swear words than she's probably thinking. Her writings have yet to appear in the *New Yorker* or *HuffPo*, she doesn't go on morning shows to dole out parenting advice (mainly because she doesn't really have any), and she doesn't have a weird, new hook for a “mom-oir”—like how she survived a year of family dumpster-diving or co-parenting her children with wolves. She doesn't have eighteen kids either, just two. And oh yeah, only one husband (as required by state law). This collection of DeeDee's favorite columns and writings spans her first near-decade in the mom business. Reading it is like plunking down next to that funny mom at playgroup. You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll feel less lonely in this thing. And you may even feel a little superior. (That alone might be worth the price tag.) Just come and sit down next to her.

“In these bite-sized, hilarious essays, Dee Dee Filiatreault celebrates the underachiever in all of us. Anyone who has ever done school drop-off in the same yoga pants she slept in will recognize herself in these pages—and feel a whole lot better.” —Amy Wilson, author of *When Did I Get Like This?* “A fun romp through the messy realities of being a mom. DeeDee Filiatreault writes with humor, and from the heart . . .” —Christie Mellor, author of *The Three-Martini Playdate* and *Fun Without Dick* and Jane “By page 10, I was nodding in agreement. By page 110, I was convinced DeeDee and I were leading parallel lives. By page 210, I wanted her to move next door—with or without her children. *Tales from the Crib* will make you smile and laugh, especially if your kids are finally asleep in their beds—or anywhere, really.” —Leanne Shirliffe, author of *Don't Lick the Minivan* and *Mommyfest* “DeeDee's stories are laugh-out-loud funny and worth embarrassing yourself over—whether on the train, the bus, the subway, or even in your own bathroom. Or someone else's bathroom. DeeDee is our generation's Erma Bombeck!” —Todd Ellison, Broadway music supervisor of *An American in Paris*, *Spamalot*, and *42nd Street* “DeeDee Filiatreault has been there, done that, and kept a sense of humor throughout the journey of motherhood. She hands out ‘honorable mention’ ribbons to all of the parents and confirms there is no ‘right way’ to parent—just our way.” —Val Curtis, editor-in-chief of *BonBon Break Media, LLC* “DeeDee has a rare gift—she can make you laugh about things you didn't know were funny until she pointed them out, and she can make a quasi-serious point at the same time. These essays are terrific.” —Barton Swaim, author of *The Speechwriter: A Brief Education in Politics* “DeeDee Filiatreault is a modern-day Erma Bombeck. In her transparent, witty, and extremely well-written debut release, *Tales from the Crib*, DeeDee strips away the pretenses of parenthood, modeling the medicinal power of laughter and how to celebrate the joy in every jelly stain. Her writing is a gift.” —Tara McClary Reeves, author of *Point Me to Jesus*