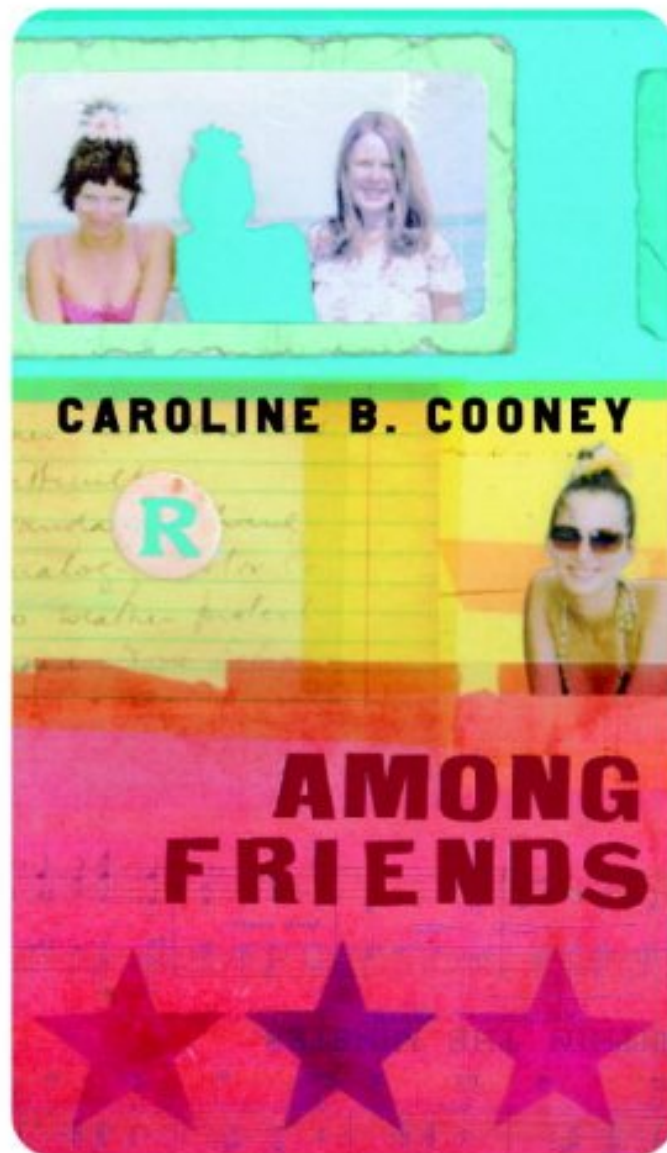


Among Friends

Von *Caroline B. Cooney*

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Von Caroline B. Cooney : Among Friends before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Among Friends:

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favorite C.B. Cooney. Von Ein Kunde I think *Among Friends* is my favorite Caroline Cooney book because it's the one Cooney book that I can relate to the most. All the main characters, from brainy Jenny to fashionable Hilary, are teenagers, and unlike most the situations in Cooney's other books, in almost all the events I can imagine myself in them. From each journal entry to the next, Cooney masterfully crafted a tale of hardship, love, ambition, and other high school emotions. The one thing I would have liked better was for the book to have been in an impersonal third person omniscient point of view, because all the first person point of views were sometimes conflicting, leading to confusion. Still all in all, it was a terrific book. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Not bad, not great. Von Ein Kunde This is a story about a trio of friends. Hillary and Emily are jealous of Jennie's success in everything she does. At times this book was unrealistic. I think if you're best friends with someone you don't abandon them because they're successful. I was going to give this book a three but the ending was so great I gave it a four. The idea of doing this book through diary entries was great. I would recommend this book to anyone who has ever dealt with friendship problems or jealousy. I would also recommend it to people who like a mysterious character in the books they read. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A very realistic way of portraying high school. Von Ein Kunde This is a story that could have taken place at my own high school. Jennie is a textbook example of an overachiever. Cooney's aim was right on target, with all of the characters, including the parents. It astounds me how blind people can be sometimes, and Cooney shows this perfectly. This book is hard for me to read, because I know if Jennie were at my school I would resent her just as much as the students did in this book. I believe this book should be on middle school reading lists across the country, it deals with a lot of important topics.

Kurzbeschreibung In this fast-paced novel about the bonds of friendship, Jenny, Emily, and Hillary, known as the Awesome Threesome, thought they'd be a threesome forever. But with Jennie's relentless ambition, Emily's jealousy, and Hillary's building resentment, it seems the Awesome Threesome is destined to be a thing of the past. Assigned to write in diaries for English class, the three girls, along with three other classmates, find themselves admitting things so terrible that even they are shocked. All are left wondering: What price does a person have to pay for being successful? The pursuit of the truth is compellingly chronicled and the resolution satisfies. From School Library Journal Grade 8-12 Through journal entries, six high-school juniors reveal their jealousies, frustrations, fears, and hopes. The plot focuses on upper-crust super-achiever Jennie Quint and a withdrawn newcomer, Paul R. Smith. Driven by parental and self-imposed pressure to succeed, Jennie is lonely, alienated from her friends. Meanwhile, Paul faces a private trauma with his unstable mother and estranged sister. When Jennie confronts failure on a statewide honors math test, she runs away. In contrast, Paul accepts help from classmate Emily and Jared's lawyer father. Cooney again exhibits her knack for portraying the perils of success in an adolescent world. Characters speak with candor, occasional meanness, wit, and conviction. Although Cooney's *Don't Blame the Music* (Putnam, 1986) is a more thematically subtle and dramatic account of alienation and friendship, *Among Friends* will attract secondary readers with its fast pace, friendships and rivalries, upbeat ending, and believable cast of characters. Gerry Larson, Chewing Junior High School, Durham, N.C. Copyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc. **Pressestimmen** Well developed and fast paced. VOYA The style is breezy, accessible, and . . . readers will respond to the author's candid view of friendship. **Booklist** A New York Public Library Book for the Teen Age