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If there's one piece of invaluable advice for women and girls of all ages, it is that there is nothing more important than creating and maintaining strong, positive and happy friendships with other women.

In a culture that largely pits women against each other, I want to celebrate female friendships... all strings attached!

If my 1998 diary is anything to go by, female friendships are incredibly complex and emotional but they're the mini love stories that make us who we are. For many women, friends are our partners in crime through life; they are the ones who move us into new homes, out of bad relationships, through births and illnesses. In *The F Word* I've set out to explore and celebrate the essence of female friendship at different life stages and in its many wild and wonderful forms.

The F Word Details

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Jara says

I am filled with female friendship feels ?

Kate says

Wow! What a book!

First of all this book from Lily Pebbles has exceeded my expectations- as a YouTuber/blogger/ influencer- I know Lily says she hates that word but it is the best to describe her- I didn't actually have very high expectations for this book as I expected it to be some kind of fluffy book reminiscing about sleepovers and playground bullies.

When this book was first released I resisted the social media hype for it and only ordered it some time later when I noticed that it was still being talked about online and a lot of the reviews were positive. However, what I found was a wonderful and charming exploration of friendship in which I was able to pinpoint who the "big sister" friend and the "childhood" friend are for me. This book was interesting and easy to read, along with lovely anecdotes and friendship sayings. I felt that as I was reading it I was picking up tips to hopefully be a better friend as that is how we learn and grow by constantly improving.

Secondly, I really liked her description of toxic friends, the friends for then and friendship breaks- as someone who has had to break up with a friend I can personally say that it is not easy and it hurts more than any romantic breakup, but this made me feel like yes it was horrible, but it was something I had to do and I wasn't a complete cow for ending something that was making me miserable.

I am not a particular fan of Lily pebbles- I used to be back in the day but I feel that atm bloggers and influencers are not my cup of tea. But this book has made me see Lily in another light- also knowing what she sounds like it was quite nice to hear her voice in my head as I was reading it.

This book is going to get a permanent place on my bookcase- but first I am lending it to my "big sister" friend as I think she will really enjoy it...if she ever gets round to reading it :-)

Dana Al-Basha ?????? says

I'm excited about Lily Pebbles book, I have followed her for a while on Twitter, I think her book will be fun to read!

Vivi says

Really enjoyed reading this book!

Found myself nodding to so many things that I hadn't thought about! Really good quick read!

Jessie says

I have been so excited for this book to come out. I don't usually take an interest in books by YouTubers but I have been a big fan of Lily for years now and I love her honest approach to things. This book was no different. I love that she narrated her own book* as it makes the experience very personal and with a cup of tea in your hands, you can almost feel her presence with you. Like catching up with a dear old friend.

I loved the book and I found it incredibly relatable. My emotions ranged from big grins to tears. It made me look at my own friendships and deconstruct them. What role did they play? What role do I play? It made me reevaluate some friendships and reach out to others, whether that was to touch base with a long lost friend or send a 'Thanks for being such a great friend, I hope you know how much I love and appreciate you'. I will forever think more consciously about my friendships with women, and I thank you for that.

I went to High School in the middle east and my two best friends were British. We graduated and they went back to the UK and I moved back to Australia. Overcoming distance has been the hardest part of maintaining our relationships as it's been five years since we've seen each other due to circumstance. So I get how you feel with Hannah. But just know you are not alone.

I think that's the biggest takeaway from this book. You are not alone. Female friendships come with their ups and downs but they are arguably the most important of all.

Thank you Lily for everything.

*I listened to the audio book of 'The F Word'.

Verena says

True rating: Probably more towards 4.25 stars. Reading 'The F Word' made me feel exactly like the picture on the cover suggests: Like having a cup of tea and a deep talk on female friendship with a really good friend. That's probably because I've been watching Lily's videos for so long that it feels like I really know her and on top this book felt so Lily-ish that it made me feel right at home. I enjoyed reading it a lot and it definitely made me appreciate all my female friendships even more.

Ashley says

As a follower of Lily across all social media and Youtube, I've enjoyed reading the book. It was basically like a Youtube #asklily-session or even a rather lengthy blogpost.

But as an independent reader, I just thought it was okay. I found that whilst it was easy to read, it wasn't as well written as I hoped it would be. The language used was rather simple, I wasn't expecting high quality prose, but still felt it was a bit lacking. Also some chapters seemed to flow into each other flawlessly, but then some had a pretty random transition.

I found it interesting to learn more about Lily and her view on female friendship was heartwarming. But I honestly would have enjoyed this content more in the form of a Youtube video or podcast.

Erica says

I feel SO conned by this book. I've followed Lily for 5 years now and she's been my favourite youtuber for a large part of that and so I trusted her when she spoke about what this book would entail. But honestly, after reading it, I don't even think Lily or her publishers knew what the format of this book should be. It was described as a "book about female friendship" but after reading it it's clear that it's more of a "book about Lily's friendships" and I feel so tricked by the promotion of it and how it was described.

There were times when I genuinely questioned if it had been proof-read because of the grammatical errors or annoyances I found in parts. However I've given it 2 Stars because it wasn't TERRIBLE to read. I still love Lily's YouTube content and feel harsh even posting this but I really wouldn't recommend this book if you're looking for anything more than personal friendship stories.

Julia Tutt says

I actually couldn't put this book down, but I don't know why.

I've followed Lily Pebbles on instagram and youtube for a while, and I've always enjoyed her more adult, mature content (within the context of younger youtubers). I really enjoyed reading a book solely on friendship, with modern, and relatable advice. The personal stories of her friends and herself throughout the book was perfect, and it really did feel like having a long chat with a friend. The only thing I would mention is that it's a bit disjointed at times. I feel like it would have been better to have clearer sections. Also, the chapter on hens parties was really good, however the 'AskLP' at the end of that chapter, had nothing to do with hens parties...which just made no sense to me because hens parties are wrought with potential agony aunt questions. All in all I really enjoyed it, which is nice seeing as I wouldn't have bought it if it wasn't for already knowing Lily through social media. 3.5 stars!

SoLe Puella says

Ok, ali ništa posebno. Ko voli Lili i njen rad, vjerovatno će voljeti i ovu knjigu, jer je čitanje izgledalo kao slušanje malo dužeg videa. Knjiga je vizuelno vrlo lijepo uređena (i naslovnica i unutrašnjost), tema jeste zanimljiva, ali svedena na prikazivanje ličnih iskustava ili iskustava prijatelja i porodice. Jedino su mi oni "Draga Savjeta" momenti bili malo nepotrebni. Stil pisanja je pristojan, nije napadan, nije dosadan, daleko od toga, ali na kraju se postavlja pitanje da li je ova knjiga zaista bila potrebna nekome/ikome i kakva je njena svrha. Dakle, pristojno, ali nešto bez čega smo svakako mogli.

Maria Portero says

This book is utter rubbish. Lily is not a writer, she's a hell of a YouTuber and I absolutely love her videos but she writes like a teenager and I have never ever seen her talk about books so I assume she's not into them. I couldn't finish this "book" which is more of a super long magazine article than a proper book.

Sarah says

More like 3.5

Kate Henderson says

I'm still a big fan of the lovely Lily Pebbles, but I absolutely hated this book. Didn't see the point and just felt like a diary entry rather than an insight into female friendship that the book promises. Feel like I've been sucked in here, the writing was dull and I didn't feel anything from it. Hated it! Do not recommend!

Ljiljana Šipragić says

S J A J N A.

Sveobuhvatna priča o različitim oblicima prijateljstva među ženama - od dječijih, do odraslih, od privremenih, do životnih. Uživala sam čitati. Tim više jer obožavam i Lily, njen karakter i ličnost.

Recenzija: <https://lovily.net/the-f-word-knjiga-...>

Rawan Aljabr says

I listened to the audiobook, and I enjoyed it. It felt personal that Lily herself read the book, as if she was chatting with you. Basically, it's a quick and easy fun book.
