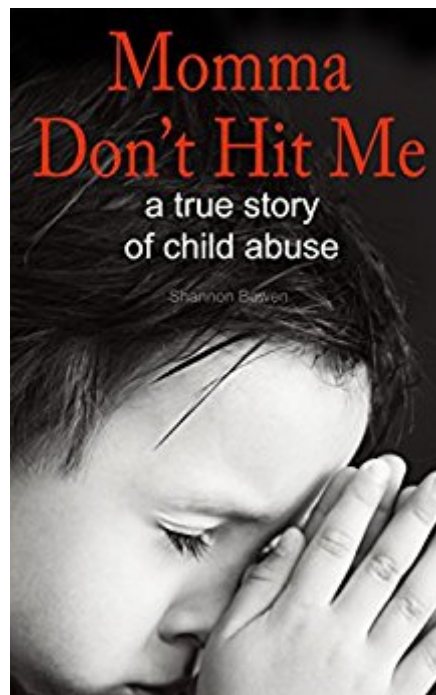




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Momma, Don't Hit Me!: A True Story Of Child Abuse (Shannon's NH Diaries Book 1)



Synopsis

What would you do if you heard someone abusing a helpless child in the bedroom next to yours? How would you feel if no one -- not even the police -- could protect him from his sick, twisted mother and his hard-drinking father? What would you do if it took over a year for that child to find safety? Read one woman's real-life diary about the terrible, continuing child abuse she heard clearly, night after night. Three-year-old Kevin was the victim, betrayed by the parents who should have protected him. This isn't a nice story. It's not a novel. It's raw and told in actual diary entries. Day by day and month by month, the author describes what she heard, what she saw, and how she tried to get help for little Kevin. This is a true story of child abuse, and it describes real events in the state of New Hampshire during 2011 and 2012. It's a harsh plea for child abuse awareness.

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Customer Reviews

I read MOMMA, DON'T HIT ME! directly after A CHILD CALLED IT, and I have to say, of the two,

this is the better written and formatted novel. Bowen focuses mainly on the role of outsiders (neighbors, police, government authorities) in a child abuse situation. The novel is suspenseful and manages to add a hint of mystery to the case, but the subject matter is nonetheless very powerful. Bowen captures the hopelessness and frustration of the situation perfectly, as well as the chilling apathy. As someone who works in the social services field, I find this novel to be a must read for anyone who is a court mandated reporter. Even if you're not, it's worth a read.

I didn't realize when I started this that it would be left with an unfinished ending. And highly repetitive. And parts were out of order ... I realize it's a diary, but thought it had been reworded to read easier, more like a book. It's not. So I get it that Kevin is being abused, over and over and over. But I want to know what happens ... is he ok? Has Ann been held accountable for her actions? Is Joe capable of keeping Kevin safe? Is Kevin living the life a child should live? But I guess if I want to know, I need to read the next book (diary).

This story torn at my heart. I cannot imagine abusing my children, I loved them dearly before they were ever born and that love deepened after. I wish these children had better resources to help the parents deal with having babies they're not ready for. Someone to talk to, someone to help, my siblings and I grew up with an abusive mother and a father who looked the other way to keep the peace.

While I was reading this book, I couldn't help but think that the author was a nosy neighbor. Nothing was ever totally proven and there were lots of accusations. I also enjoy a book where all of the words are spelled correctly and the correct grammar is used. That didn't happen with this book. I would not recommend this book to anyone. Sorry.

sorry again got bored of it

So sad but so true for a lot of little ones these days. Seems that some of this new generation can't handle the babies they are having. Most of the ones that walk away from them are on drugs and that is more important than these precious children that they turn their backs on. I am speaking from experience because we have two of these adorable babies in our life now. I wonder how they can just walk away these two have brought us so much happiness.

This is a sad story. I'm a mother myself and this is a heartbreaking story. I only wish there was a happy ending or some sort of conclusion. If i heard that type of abuse going on especially involving an innocent child I would have burst through that door and saved poor kevin. I dont care what the law says i could never sit and listen to a poor innocent baby being tortured for over a year. If the cops and cps did nothing to help i would have taken matters into my own hands!! I'd like to find out what ever happened to little kevin ans hope his rotten mother is behind bars and paying for what she's done!

I think she was just giving the same information over again and again. Also, there was some missing connections. For example, she wrote constantly the little boy was being thrown against the wall and she needed to see bruises to prove he was being abused. Then she would write he was running around with just his underwear on. Well, is this not the perfect time to look at him and find bruises to back-up your accusations.

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