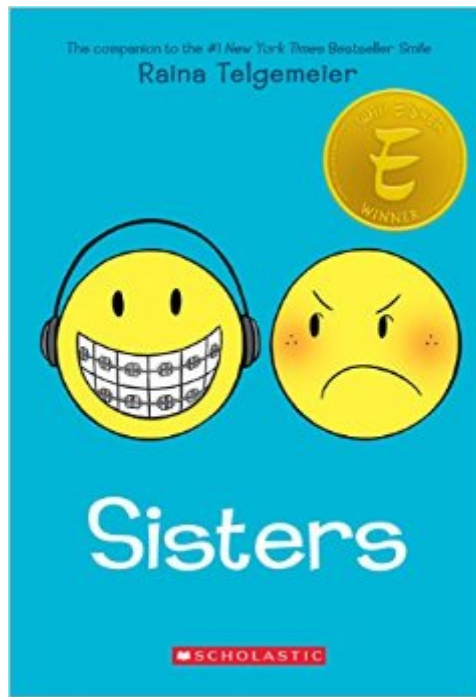


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# Sisters



## Synopsis

Raina Telgemeier's #1 New York Times bestselling, Eisner Award-winning companion to *Smile!* Raina can't wait to be a big sister. But once Amara is born, things aren't quite how she expected them to be. Amara is cute, but she's also a cranky, grouchy baby, and mostly prefers to play by herself. Their relationship doesn't improve much over the years, but when a baby brother enters the picture and later, something doesn't seem right between their parents, they realize they must figure out how to get along. They are sisters, after all. Raina uses her signature humor and charm in both present-day narrative and perfectly placed flashbacks to tell the story of her relationship with her sister, which unfolds during the course of a road trip from their home in San Francisco to a family reunion in Colorado. <sup>Â</sup>

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## Customer Reviews

I love how this book went well with "Smile". Raina is one of my favorite writers. I would recommend and Raina's other book "Drama". I hope Raina writes more books for the series!

Sisters by Raina Telgemeier Summary (208 pages): In this follow-up to her highly acclaimed graphic novel *Smile*, Raina Telgemeier tells the story of her relationship with her younger sister, Amara. The

main story is of a road trip 13-year-old Raina takes from California to Colorado with her mother, Amara, and their younger brother. In flashbacks, we see a much younger Raina wishing for a sister, then experiencing disappointment with the reality of a baby, then a toddler. There are other difficult family situations for Raina to deal with, including her father's extended job loss and her parents' possible separation, but in the end, the family ties remain strong. Pros: Raina Telgemeier is probably my favorite graphic novelist. Her artwork is just right for elementary kids, and the stories are engaging and positive. This would be a good book to give a reluctant girl reader. Cons: This didn't have quite the upbeat ending I enjoyed in Smile. It is a graphic novel, so it will be a quick read for many kids.

I really enjoyed "Smile" and "Drama" and figured I should finish out the three books and just read "Sisters" now rather than holding off. In this installment Raina remembers when her sister was born and how they came to be less than the fights and more of family. They also deal with an awkward cross-state trip where they learn their parents are having marital problems. Personally I felt this book didn't really hold up to "Smile"'s success. I found myself skimming some of the passages simply because they weren't nearly as interesting. Instead of it containing some relatable stories surrounding a middle schooler growing up, it was more like one long anecdote on the relationship of sisters. While I could respect what the author was conveying, I really struggled with interest throughout the entire thing. There was no resolution to the story with the parents (understandable but still). Also the story didn't really have a plot other than a general snapshot of family. It bothered me a bit and I found myself flipping forward to see if anything interesting actually happened. Frankly I'd recommend it for huge fans of "Smile" and Raina Telgemeier but otherwise I'd skip it. 2.5 Stars  
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The book sisters is a book I will never regret reading! My friend told me about the book smile and this book sisters, I thought it sounded good but I didn't think it would be as amazing as it actually is! Sisters dont always get along. Raina gets a new sister like she had asked, but once her sister is here, after all the crying and complaining Raina wishes she would have never wished for a sister! Amara is just spoiled, and gets whatever she wants. Even when Raina is right nobody listens to her! The two sisters relationship still hasn't changed after the older they get! The two sisters decide that even if they don't get along the best they still love each other, and are sisters. I recommend this book! I admire the way the author put together the book. I loved the moral to this story! I couldn't set down Sisters when I started reading it! Its a wonderful book for all ages! Written by Abbie, 7th grader

I did not read this book but my 8 year old zoomed through it in a few hours and loved it. Be careful though with other titles by this author because I found that Sunny Side Up was not at all appropriate for her. She learned about these books from school and so I assumed they would be good for her. I will be reading the reviews closely in the future.

My daughter couldn't wait to get this book as she loves to read and shares the name of one of the main characters. She laughed all the way through and then she re-read it with her sister. Great book for them, ages 9 and 11.

My 9 year old daughter LOVES this book! I bought Sisters as a last minute addition to my daughter's birthday presents. She had brought home Smile, the companion book to this book, from the school library just a week or so before her birthday and she devoured it!! I have never seen her read a book so intently. She started telling me about how the other book in this series was checked out of the library, so she couldn't read it yet. I immediately went on and bought this. My daughter is very good at reading, but finding a book that holds her attention is terribly hard. I can't tell you how many books she has on her shelf with book marks in them but they have never been finished. I think what holds my daughter's attention in these, is that they are basically comic book style, and she adores comic books!! I would highly recommend these books based on what I have heard from my daughter!

I bought this book for my 11 year old daughter, she absolutely loves it, and has read it multiple times, and her school library can't keep it in stock! She loves the companion book "Smile" as well. To quote my daughter "You can't read this just once, you will want to read it over and over." Two thumbs up in my opinion!

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