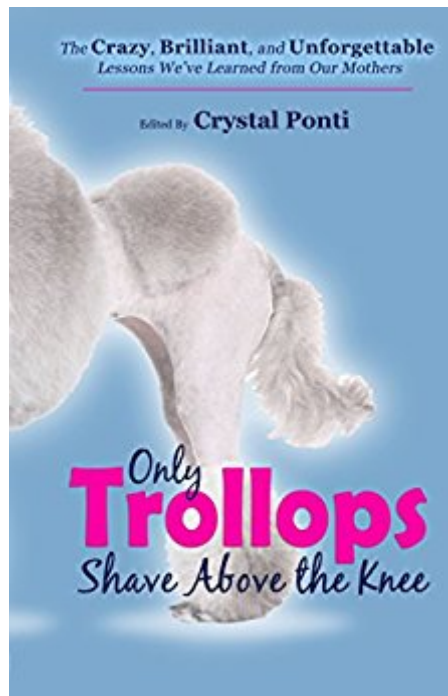


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# Only Trollops Shave Above The Knee: The Crazy, Brilliant, And Unforgettable Lessons We've Learned From Our Mothers



## Synopsis

Moms have a lot to say, and theyâ™re not shy about letting it all out. The same women who breathe life into our limbs also smother us with their ominous, clever, and oh-so celebrated wordsâ™life lessons taught in the blink of an eye. There are the extraordinary one-liners: When you get to be my age, youâ™ll understand. Because I said so, thatâ™s why. And the hilarious side-pokers: Always wear clean underwear. Donâ™t eat yellow snow. Then there are those unusual âœmomismsâ• that totally mess with the offspring mind. This is especially true if you were told to only remove the fuzz from one-half of your legs when you were just thirteen years old. Only Trollops Shave Above the Knee: The Crazy, Brilliant, and Unforgettable Lessons Weâ™ve Learned from Our Mothers blends more than forty heart-warming, funny, and authentically told stories about the craziness of being reared and raised with the hard-hitting anecdotes that kept our mothers sane. Some of the tales will make you laugh; some will make you cry; and a few will leave you questioning how we ever survived our childhoods, let alone learn a few lessons. Although they may at times seem a little faulty, our mothers (and motherly figures) could drive like Andretti, cook like Julia Child, and shake someone up like an Italian mobster. Weâ™ve survived and thrived, and never forgotten their enlightening words. We were listening after all. Now sit up straight!

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## Customer Reviews

I received an ARC of Only Trollops Shave Above the Knee, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Reading the strengths and weaknesses of other moms actually made me step back and look at my own parenting, and think about where I could be a better mom. There are lots of writers in this volume whose work I have enjoyed in the past, and they deliver this time too!

"Your face is going to stick like that" and "There are starving children in China would love to eat your vegetables". Every family has a list of the crazy things our moms used to tell us, some are more memorable than others but they're all as unique as our families! It seems that no matter who you are none of us are immune to having these tidbits of wisdom shared with us by our mother. At the moment we find them ridiculous, even laughable but turn the tables and check back when we become the mothers ourselves and we're sure to be uttering the exact same bits of wisdom to our own children! Mom wisdom is some of the most memorable parts of our lives growing up. After all, we just want them to eat their veggies! Only Trollops Shave Above the Knee is an amazing collection of the BEST of these bits of wisdom by some of the best writers you'll ever read. Just when you think the book is filled with one hilarious story after another the book will change gears without warning and you'll be searching for a tissue to dry your tears. Stories about our mother can evoke emotions like no other stories can. This book strikes the perfect balance between hilarious and poignant and will keep you turning the pages and insisting your mom-friends read it, too! Only Trollops Shave Above the Knee is not only the best collection of Mom Wisdom stories you'll ever read, it's the best Mother's Day Gift I can think of. Regardless of what your mother taught you about shaving she will appreciate this book much more than a bouquet of flowers or another gift certificate for a massage because this book, wrapped up with a pretty bow, will let her know that you heard her when she told you to eat your veggies, and that you know she was the best mom you could ever have hoped for.

As kids we see our parents as lame and unhip, and while that may have been true, their advice always rang true, especially when it came to words of wisdom from mom. This hilarious group of

authors share touching, hilarious, and pointed stories about the wonderful advice they received from their moms, and it couldn't be more awesome. I highly recommend this books to everyone. I received an advanced copy of this book to read and review.

This hilariously, relatable anthology comes from the editor of *The Mother Of All Meltdowns* and a slew of great writers who are sharing their own lessons learned with us! My own mother's advice does echo in my head from time to time, but the one that I can remember the most and the one that makes me laugh the most is her "beware what you consume" speech. As a young woman, you have to beware what you consume. Be wary of when and what you eat and drink. Don't eat garlic or asparagus before a date because your breath and pee will smell. Don't order dessert if you eat out because you will seem to expect too much. Always watch your drink, so nothing can be slipped into it and don't drink booze because it'll just make you a loosey-goosey! Yeah, my mom was pretty straight and to the point. It's a good thing I didn't date too much! Trust me, grab a copy of *Only Trollops Shave Above The Knee* because their stories are a lot funnier than mine, but you will completely understand all of them! I received a review only copy of this book in order to facilitate my review.

First things first: I love the word "trollop." It signals nonstop hilarity to me, and while *Only Trollops Save Above the Knee* has hilarity aplenty, it also has a great deal of heart. When Ramona Scarborough revealed that her remarkable mother passed away, I felt a little lost too. I loved traveling to the Holy Land with the very wise Czarina Irina of Luka. I felt the pain of Patricia Walsh's nana, desperately worried that athletics would damage her granddaughter's vulnerable female organs. My favorite essay, Gillie Bishop's "Criticize Your Child to Better Self-Esteem," is a funny and very intelligent analysis of the ways mothers and daughters must balance deep love with painful honesty. What do you do when your non-musical daughter wants to be a songwriter? When your sensitive, gentle, elephant-loving daughter fails to grasp that a life in zookeeping might be better suited for her practical, scientific older sister? Bishop's keen observations of three generations of well-meaning women will strike a chord in anyone attempting to improve on the mistakes of the past. This book could have had a few other titles: "It's Only Hair," "Don't Return Anything Under Fifty Dollars," "Baby, You Need to Pluck Your Eyebrows," "If You See a Needle in the Sand, Don't Touch It," or what must have been editor Crystal Ponti's runner-up, "Nobody Likes an Old Dick." No matter the title, this is a wise, funny collection that anyone with a mom (that is, everyone) will appreciate.

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