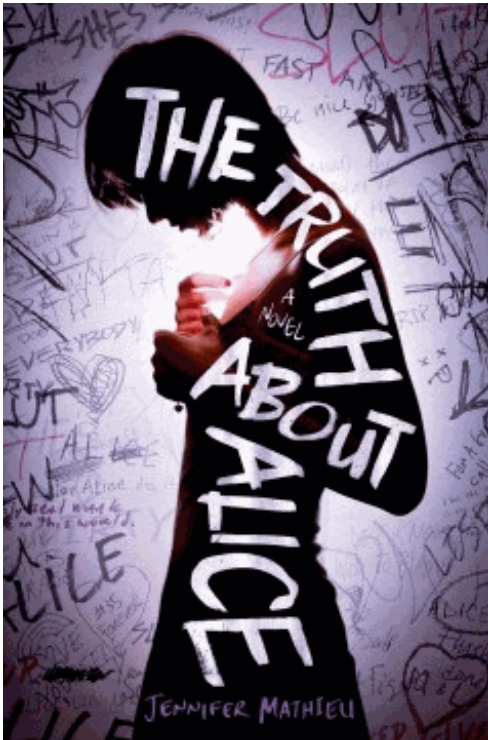


THE TRUTH ABOUT ALICE



Young Adult

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OBJECTION RATING

3/5

Summary of Concerns:

The subject of the book is about a highschool girl whom is rumored to be very promiscuous. The main character's friend has an abortion after having unprotected sex. The excerpt regarding that sexual encounter contains some level of detail, but exceptionally so. On a positive note, the author portrays the girl whom had sex and an abortion as an antagonist. There is profane language, but not an excessive amount.

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1	<p>1. Alice Franklin slept with two guys in the very same night in a bed IN MY HOUSE this past summer, just before the start of junior year. She slept with one and then, like five minutes later, she slept with the other one.</p> <p>Page 1: 1. Alice Franklin slept with two guys in the very same night in a bed IN MY HOUSE this past summer, just before the start of junior year. She slept with one and then, like five minutes later, she slept with the other one.</p>
2	It's weird, because Alice Franklin doesn't sound like a slutty name.
2	Because Alice Franklin is a slut.
2	She's not overtly slutty looking or whatever, but her look could go either way.
10	I mean, it was one thing to be a girl who'd had sex. But it was something else entirely to be a girl who'd had sex with two guys in one night.
23	How you could stare at him all day long, even when he was being kind of an asshole, and you could just appreciate his face for what it was.
27	<p>"Mark my words, man," Brandon said, "that dude is never going to get any pussy. Ever."</p> <p>"Not like you, King of All Pussy," I said, wishing we had more beer.</p>
27	<p>Old people knew him, little kids in grade school knew him, fucking Mexicans who moved here five seconds ago and didn't even know English knew him. Everybody knew Brandon Fitzsimmons.</p> <p>Brandon got more action than any other guy I knew. He'd even slept with Ms. Sanchez, this chick who teaches Spanish part-time at Healy High. She's like twenty-four with a pretty great body, and Brandon said he needed help with Spanish and he just showed up at her house, and according to Brandon they did it on the kitchen table while her husband was at work.</p>
28	I'm not saying this to sound like a dick or anything, but I could probably get action with lots of girls in our class in about five seconds if I wanted to. But for some reason a lot of the girls in our class annoy the piss out of me.
29	It was like Brandon was reading my mind the afternoon of Elaine's party, because after we talked about Kurt Morelli, he said, "Speaking of pussy, you should try to get some action tonight with Maggie Daniels. Her panties get wet every single time you walk by her locker."
31	Brandon was saying something else about Alice Franklin's tits.
41	"Stay away from him. His name is Kyle Walker. We went out in middle school, and he's a total asshole."
48	"I gave him a blow job," she said.
49	I wasn't sure how Alice felt, but there was a part of me that thought giving a blow job seemed like an even bigger deal than having sex.
49	I knew what Alice had done was stupid and sort of slutty even, but I was jealous she had a story to tell and, once again, I didn't.
54	That perhaps becoming The Slut Who Killed the Star Quarterback was making it difficult to focus on her studies.
62	"You need to get laid," Brandon Fitzsimmons said from the couch where he was drinking his fourth beer.
65	"Your mom has big tits? I'll have to look next time!"

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66	"Let me check out your big tits," he said, gasping for air.
67	Shit.
68	tommy and me banged alice franklin upstairs.
69	How Alice Franklin slept with two guys in one night in my guest bedroom. Two guys in one HOUR.
70	OMG that Alice Franklin girl is so slutty!
70	"That girl is a total slut," I said.
72	So we picked on Alice Franklin. A nobody, a slut, a killer.
74	ATTENTION! ALICE FRANKLIN IS A HO SLUT WHORE WO DOES IT WITH EVERYBODY! We all laughed, all of us, and then I said, "My turn.' ALICE FRANKLIN HAS GIVEN 423 BLOW JOBS!!!! NOW THAT'S A LOT OF DICK!
78	"Yeah, we really did it, man," he answered me. "Fuckin' awesome too. Alice is hot. Even with that short hair and shit." He started laughing again as he rambled on. "Tommy didn't mind sloppy seconds?" I asked, kind of not wanting to ask but asking anyway. "No he didn't," Brandon said. "She couldn't get enough. Me twice and Tommy once. I'm gonna have to hit that again soon."
80	Alice likes it fast and hard. Alice did it with my grandpa. And she liked it! RIP Fitzsimmons! Alice Franklin = Killer/Whore
80	Alice Franklin is a whore, slut, ho, bitch, and a killer, too!!! It's the slut's fault!
89	The Slut Stall. Telling people about Alice and the abortion.
98	"If knackered is smart boy talk for lit to the tits, then yeah, I am."
101	"That I just want to be understood and shit."
103	"But you didn't, uh, bang her?" "Nope," he said. "Didn't. Bang. Alice."
103	Pissed me off.
104	"But she's getting so much...shit for this. You're aware of that, right?..."
116	I just smiled back and nodded, unable to talk. I tried to remember everything about that moment. The way the hair on his chest was so fine and blond and curled just so, just like the hair on his magnificent calves. The way his lips tasted like Sonic and vanilla Carmex. The way he put his hands on me wherever he wanted to, and I let him. I'm doing it. I'm actually doing it. Right now at this moment I'm doing it. It hurt. Like hell. And it was over in three minutes. Afterward, all I wanted to do was put my clothes on. It had happened so fast that my bathing suit was still damp from swimming in the pool that afternoon. I yanked my cover-up over me and sat up on the bed, not sure what to say. Tommy reached over and grabbed his shorts. The little whisper in the back of my head that reminded me we hadn't used protection go louder all of a sudden, but I told

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	<p>it to shut up. Tommy hadn't mentioned using anything, and I guess I just followed his lead. "You didn't tell me," he said. It hurt between my legs. Ached, actually.</p>
119	<p>But the thought of telling Alice that I had slept with a guy who wasn't even my boyfriend- just a guy who'd picked me up at the pool for God's sake- was just too weird.</p>
119	<p>By the time I found out I was pregnant, Tommy Cray was a freshman at Texas Tech and I was a month and a half into my sophomore year at Healy High.</p>
123	<p>"Kelsie, we're going to take care of things," she said, staring out the windshield, not looking at me.</p>
124	<p>All the times I'd seen the Women's Care Clinic, it had been from the outside.</p>
125	<p>My mom never actually said, "Kelsie, you're going to have an abortion." Later on, I figured out my mom probably believed not saying it makes it like it never happened.</p>
131	<p>We'd made small talk at the pool and had sex once. That was it.</p>
131	<p>I guess he meant it in a friendly way and everything, but come on. How's tenth grade other than your abortion?</p>
138	<p>I just felt like an asshole.</p>
140	<p>There's no end to the rumors about Alice, and from what I overhear there's no end to the graffiti in the so-called Slut Stall upstairs.</p>
149	<p>And it's weird how, like, when it's your job to be a popular bitch you just feel compelled to keep doing it sometimes.</p>
152	<p>And I'm not so small town that I don't realize that even in Manhattan, a girl like Alice Franklin would still have been considered a slut.</p>
160	<p>"Okay. So you told the entire school I had an abortion because one time- over a year ago- I lied to you about giving Mark Lopez a blow job because I felt stupid about it? That's why you told everyone I had an abortion?"</p>
161	<p>"You know what, Kelsie?" Alice said all calm. "Fuck you."</p>
171	<p>I figured if Brandon could see what was going on from heaven, it would piss him off, too.</p>
173	<p>"I need to get laid," Brandon yelled, laughing. "Now where the hell is Alice Franklin's number?"</p>
173	<p>"She's seemed kinda lonely lately. People keep giving her shit."</p>
186	<p>And maybe she did have sex with two guys in the same night, but hadn't Brandon probably had sex with five times that number of girls the summer before junior year alone?</p>
188	<p>"Yeah, well. I guess I have a way of turning everything around me into shit."</p>
192	<p>So it would become easy for them to treat me like shit. So my best friend since freshman year could justify dumping me and telling everyone I had an abortion. So they could have the Slut Stall and enjoy having it.</p>