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This powerful tale takes readers on a harrowing, unforgettable journey into the nightmare of parental abuse and the darkness of mental illness. Written by a woman who endured horrendous abuse from her mother and became a split personality by the age of five, here is the story of her agonizing childhood, the conflicting personalities, and struggle back to sanity.

## **Broken Child Details**

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### **Cherianne says**

I have read numerous child abuse survivor memoirs and I have an iron stomach. This one, however, was a difficult and emotionally draining one to read. The most horrific story of abuse I've ever read. I can't say it's a book that's hard to put down because I could only read so much and then I needed to put it down to take a mental break. With that said, I highly recommend it. It's an important story of human resilience, hope, and perseverance. An incredible story!

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### **John says**

This book was absolutely harrowing. I have an iron stomach and there were parts of this that I had a very difficult time getting through. That said, it is a story of profound hope that left me feeling very optimistic and blessed. It also gave me a much deeper understanding of the effects of childhood abuse. I HIGHLY suggest reading this one.

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### **Shannon says**

Be prepared to be disturbed by the things humans can manage to do to one another and still look at themselves in the mirror and sleep at night. Not a book for someone with a weak stomach, she goes into great detail about the horrific things that led to her developing a multiple personality disorder. Just when you start to think that she has finally gotten some luck, fate spits right back in her face.

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### **Camilla says**

Diffult to read (emotionally) but amazing

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### **Amanda Davis says**

This was a very emotional story. The depravity of some people astonish me. This woman went through pure hell and survived. She is extremely brave to tell her story and is an inspiration to all. I highly recommend this book, especially if you are interested in psychology. This is a great account of what a person lives with, who suffers from DID (dissociative identity disorder).

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### **Anita Rivera says**

I read this book in high school and had my copy stolen from me. I recently found a second copy and couldn't

be happier! This book is so disturbing but a very interesting case of MPD/DID (whichever you prefer)

If you've ever read any autobiographies dealing with abnormal psychology I would add this to your list.

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### **Muna says**

Horrifying. A gift from the first love of my life, inscribed "Life sucks and then you pay \$20 for it."

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### **Lisa Bates says**

I read this book many years ago but never finished it. A lot of the acts committed upon the child i found hard to stomach. Began to make me feel wrong for wanting to read it at all. :x

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### **Rachelle says**

this book is actually very disturbing. But what i got out of it was that my life isn't this bad. Even though the story very closely borderlines what was going on in my life its high points go a bit further than mine .. at times. Which is a comfort when its really hard to be worse than my torment. Very hard to top what i've been through and the strain on my heart. The ending is disappointing though where she is happy in the ending ... and my pain burns on. I would write what it is i keep referring to but everyone cries when i tell them so .. for me to know.

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### **Ruth says**

Without a doubt, the most harrowing memoir on Dissociative Identity Disorder EVER! She was abused, raped multiple times, tried to commit suicide, and after all that hell she's alive and recovering! Painful read but totally worth it!

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### **Reba Smith says**

This horrific but compelling book is amazing . I own 128 copies and still purchasing them to give as gifts. It has changed so many lives and deserves notoriety. I am in contact with Marcia and Dr. Steinman and currently writing a movie script so look forward to this becoming a visual tool for all those abused as hope there is life after abuse. I hope you all can appreciate my efforts and cherish it as I do.

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### **Kathy says**

Hard to put into words. However, let's try. For all those who didn't make it ,thank you Marcia for your memoir. Someone to tell the world that such depths of evil existed and still exists today . Such depraved behaviour that defies belief. When people talk of mental illness and being crazy what do they mean? Marcia apparently was mentally ill and crazy?! Yep but she was not born that way she became crazy because of years of pain and abuse. Thanks for being so shockingly candid. A well written memoir. Another scar on humanity.

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### **Chelsea says**

This is a true story of a lady diagnosed as a multiple personality disorder (known now as Dissociative Identity Disorder) due to severe physical, sexual, and psychological abuse from her mother. It is also a story of her healing process once she found a competent therapist/psychiatrist. I had a difficult time reading it but I am glad I finished it. This is one example of the power we all possess to heal from whatever we have gone through in life, no matter how horrible or painful.

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### **Nathalie says**

The first few pages have been hard to get through. I could not get myself interested in it and choose to ignore it for a good time. I read something else and picked it up again a few weeks later. Suddenly I found myself in this really interesting and shocking Biography. She isn't holding back or sugar coating anything when she tells us about the abuse she had to endure. I don't have a weak stomach but one time I even feared continuing reading because I was anxious about what would happen next. usually only Films can do this to me. It was interesting to read about the multiple personality disorder. she explains everything very well. No matter how bad your childhood was, while reading this book there will be a moment you think to yourself, "thank god i have had it still so good".

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### **Kelly says**

I don't believe this story at all. I think it's exaggerated by a child/adult who wasn't acknowledged by her mom and resents the attention her brothers got. I'm only 15% thru the book and I already want to send it back to the store I got it at.

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