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Rihanna (Turtleback School & Library Binding Edition) (Hip-Hop Biographies)



Synopsis

FOR USE IN SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES ONLY. Highlights the life and achievements of the hip-hop artist who is known for her upbeat songs and unique sense of style.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Great High-Low book. Bought for a child rearing around third grade level but a teen. The content was perfect to keep her interested and she actually asked for more books. She rereads them which is great. Just keep them reading!

This series is aimed at African-American youth. While the graphics and images are geared to students 6th-8th grade, they are an easy read for students as early as 3rd. As a whole, these books do a fair job providing an overview of the lives of various artists currently in the hip-hop industry but, as hip-hop tends to be an edgy musical style, these books reflect the glorification of a "gangster" or at least rough lifestyle. What I found particularly disturbing for Rihanna's story is that it includes details about her experiences with domestic violence. The book even discusses Chris Brown's sentencing, time on probation and response to the publicizing of his battery of Rihanna. While I find it is important to discuss domestic violence, I don't find this the best place or best way to discuss Rihanna's experiences. It seems this was a time to tell students about Rihanna's career and rise to stardom. To tell about the mark she will leave on history. Specific details about Chris Brown and his feelings about being a batterer seem like they belong in his story, not hers. I am in no way

attempting to speak for Rihanna but I feel it is re-victimizing.

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