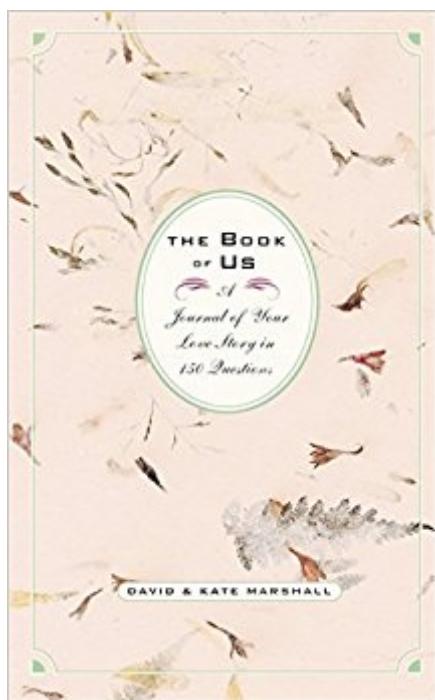


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The Book Of Us: The Journal Of Your Love Story In 150 Questions



Synopsis

This attractively designed, user-friendly, and elegant volume invites readers to record the stories and moments of the romance of a lifetime through 150 simple, yet poignant, prompts.

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Customer Reviews

For the diehard romantic, there may be nothing so thrilling as chronicling that one true love. The Book of Us presents 150 topics on the subject--ranging from "Before I met you, my love life was..." to "One of the reasons I think we lasted so long as a couple is that..." Like David Marshall's earlier book, The Book of Myself, which is also a keepsake, this book makes us wish it were prettier. But it is the thought that counts, and a lot of thought will go into turning these empty pages into something a spouse, one's children, and then their children will cherish. And not to fear: While this is a very sweet book, there is also plenty of room here to ruminate on the less saccharine aspects of life partnership: financial crises, humorous escapades, parenting woes, and home-improvement projects. A word to gay readers: One of the book's five sections focuses on "Tying the Knot

Kate and David Marshall are husband-wife authors of bestselling guided journals for people with life stories, love and wisdom to share. Their goal is to make it easy for anyone to write about their life, relationships, and experiences, and to offer ways to deepen family communication. Their journals include: What I Love About You; What I Love About You, Mom; The Book of Myself; The Book of Us; Picture of Me; and My Life Map. marshallbooks.net

We are each filling in the book as a gift for each other for next Christmas. We thought it would be fun to get each others own personal take on our story than to fill out one book together. We have been married 40 years and so are very thankful for the prompts, or suggestions to help us scratch up the memories that have been somewhat fogged over with 40 years of all the other stuff that happens in life. But this would make a great wedding gift to because the couple (or get one for each spouse) can fill it in as they go along, then they would not have to recall, each emotion would be right there as they added to their story. Here are some of the prompts from the book, there are over 150 questions that are well thought out and help record your romance. Section One: Getting to know You, Tying the knot, Starting out together. "Before I met you my love life was...." "On our first date we...." "These things symbolized our growing love (special song, place, poem, etc...)" "These are some of the reactions we got when announcing our engagement (and wedding date...)" Our _____ anniversary was particularly memorable because...." The first section continues on with

questions to answer about settling into your marriage, dealing with differences in personalities and ideals, learning to support each other, special traditions you established for holidays. The real getting comfy with each other stuff that all marriages grow through. Section Two of the Book deals with The Middle Years; things like raising the kids together, ways your spouse raised the kids that you really appreciated, special vacations, explaining the ways your relationship evolved over the years, house projects to recall, special things you enjoyed doing together and loads more. The last section is called The Later Years. One of my personal favorite questions in this section is--" After all these years, I learned this new aspect of you" "There are questions about getting used to retirement, hobbies you enjoyed together , stuff you did with your grandkids, these are the qualities that you have that I love most, ways you helped me grow and supported me. The last Question in the book asks if we were to give this Book of Us our own title what would it be. This book is a chance to preserve the love of your life to hand down to your kids, a legacy of your lives and marriage. A painless way to record your story. And I love how it reminds me of wonderful moments spent together as I write and reread what I write. And, well, if you are a romantic you will love this book and what it represents even more. Not 5 stars because recording memories in written word can be more difficult for some than others which means this is not a one size fits all way of recording your marriage memories. If you love to write you will appreciate this wonderful tool for what it is.

This is now my go to 50th anniversary gift The couples have fun going to the questions and remembering the very beginning of the relationship It then becomes a wonderful sentimental gift for

their family And while there is plenty of room to write sometimes these questions spark longer stories than others so I always give it with a beautiful journal and gift pens However the best way that I thought to use these books was with my parents and my in-laws I knew neither couple would be bothered to finish the book So I emailed the questions a little bit at a time over several weeks They had fun having the discussions and formulating the answers together When they were done I cut-and-pasted all their answers into a word document being careful to try to leave as much of their language as possible so it sounded like them talking and not me I added pictures from their past, Lyrics from songs during the era , Scanned in their marriage licenses Etc. I then printed out these books and put them in binders from Walmart. Added pretty covers in the view. Embellished with ribbon. And those books were my anniversary gift to them Basically turned out to be their life story short but sweet Both couples were beyond thrilled. I also made one for each one of my brothers and sisters so now the grandchildren can read all about their grandparents and how they met. This journal is just what it says about it's a book about the marriage. it's not meant to spark a lot of questions to enhance your marriage. it's not a therapy tool. It is more of a genealogy Tool.

I bought this for my husband on our 1 year wedding anniversary. We had a lot of fun flipping through it and filling out what we could right now. I love that you can fill this out as the years come and go and it doesn't all have to be right now! Includes things for future children, what your relationship was like at the beginning, etc. Very cute book I'm sure our children and grandchildren will enjoy looking at.

As a stay at home wife I have tons of time on my hands. I love expressing myself through writing and I love finding ways of keeping my memories in tact. This book is exceptional! It's thick and has many questions about your relationship with your partner memories you have shared with one another etc. if you enjoy writing and expressing yourself through books this is right up your alley. The pages are thick so there's no concern with bleed through from page to page and there is tons of space to answer what question you may be on. You could purchase this for your partner and have them fill it out to see your story in their words. You really can't go wrong with this book. It goes very in depth with your relationship and there are no silly ridiculous questions! This would even be a great gift for a couple as a wedding shower gift or just something to brighten up their day and surprise their significant other. It's so worth the money. I'm constantly looking for books or journals such as this one and they are very hard to come by so I highly recommend this. It's long it's fulfilling and it's fun. You'll smile reminiscing on memories. This was an awesome purchase and I suggest it

to anyone that is into this. Such a great keepsake!

There are couple chapters. Since we didn't have wedding, I have to put N/A for lots of pages. I got this as father's day gift for my hubby. We can write if he remembers stuff that I can't remember and write.

First of all, if you want to go through this book with your wife or husband you will need two books. I bought this book as a wedding present for my wife. I also bought another one for myself. Once in a while when we have free time we answers some of the questions in the book. We are planning to keep this for our children to read one day. I think it's a great idea. The book isn't perfect but I like the questions are general to where it could apply to any situation.

Great book to help couples rekindle their romance! Very thought provoking questions. Great buy!

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