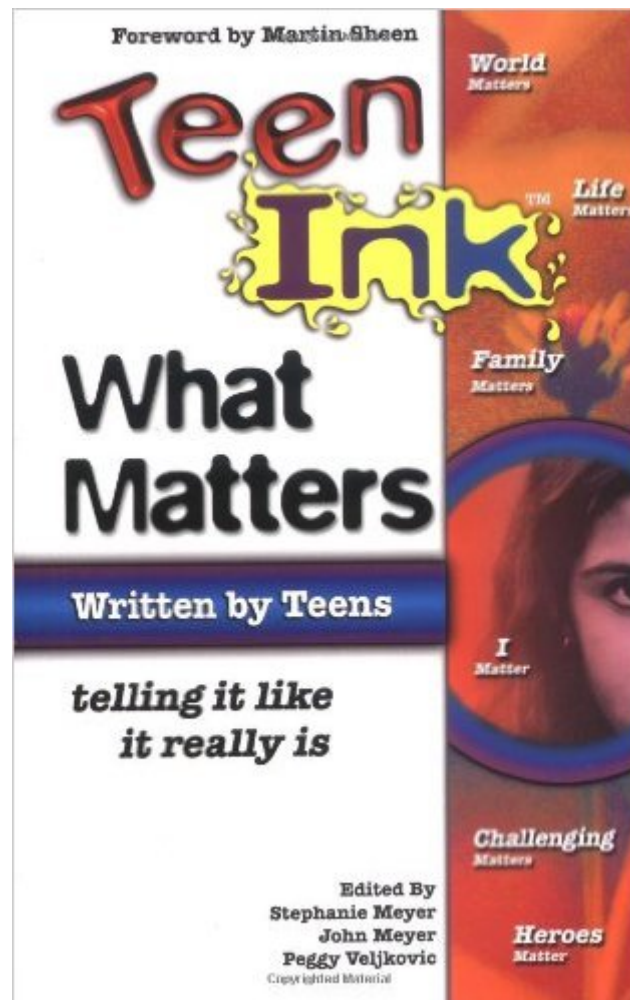


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# Teen Ink What Matters



## Synopsis

After publishing four successful books in the groundbreaking Teen Ink series, this fifth-and possibly best-installment takes a close and compelling look at what's really important to today's teens. Partnering with the worldwide Laws of Life Essay Contest, a program of the John Templeton Foundation, this collection offers a unique tapestry of teen expression. Many of the haunting questions of all time are tackled by voices that sing with hope and the reality of being a teenager in the 21st Century. With eloquent prose, insightful poetry, art and photography, these teens present timeless values through their own experiences and explore principles such as, "It's better to give than to receive," "If at first you don't succeed . . ." and "Honesty is the best policy." In Teen Ink: What Matters, you'll find fresh and honest interpretations of these and other ideals that we all try to live by. In addition, teen authors and artists journey into waters filled with forgiveness, generosity, courage, love and bravery through personal expressions about tough challenges, family, friends and everyday events. Young people from as far away as China and Ukraine reveal fascinating insights in this selection from over 88,000 submissions to the Laws of Life Essay Contest. Teen Ink: What Matters is an uplifting book of hope, reflection and inspiration that will resonate with teens.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 12 - 18 years

Grade Level: 7 and up

## Customer Reviews

On the cover of the new Teen Ink book What Matters, it claims that it's "telling it like it really is." This

could not be more truthful. Filled with emotional and refreshingly honest stories, teens reveal their most personal, life-altering moments and the values that they have come to cherish and live by. This book describes feelings and explores questions and challenges that every teen experiences, no matter what their age. Anyone who picks up this extraordinary book will find numerous stories that are easy to relate to, inspirational and insightful. What Matters contains stories of loss, love, pain and joy that move the reader in unexpectedly powerful ways. Memories of your own life will come flooding back to you, stirring up emotions and providing new insight into your own pivotal life moments. This book displays how teens really feel and think about life, and are far from being the thoughtless, self-absorbed, immature beings that is so often their stereotype. The love that is continually expressed in these stories for mothers, fathers, grandparents, friends and innumerable others warms the heart quickly and causes you to reflect on your own relationships and what truly matters to you. There is a story for everyone, but I loved every single one, and I am sure you will too! It is remarkable to read what teens all over the world have gone through and how they have emerged from it with a positive outlook and a clarity that many adults do not have, and may never will. "Experience is not what happens to you; it's what you do with what happens to you"-Aldous Huxley. This quote completely captures the real intention of this book; to give teenagers a chance to share how they have taken their experiences, grown from them and now realize what matters to them. Riveting, touching and above all, sincere, Teen Ink's latest book will provide you with wisdom gained directly from the lives of teens and I promise it will touch your heart!

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