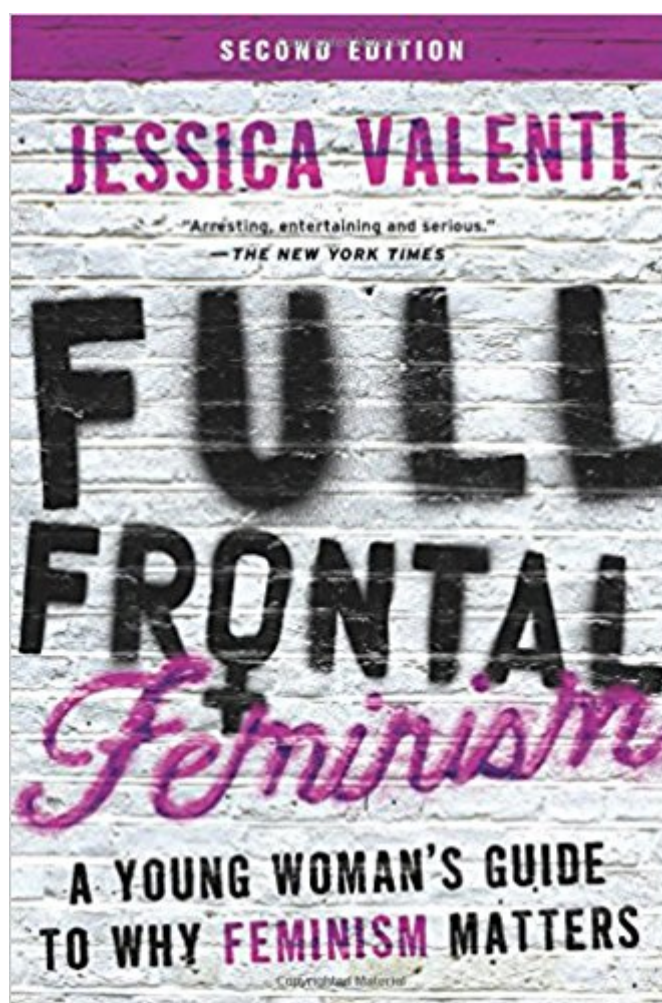


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Full Frontal Feminism: A Young Woman's Guide To Why Feminism Matters



Synopsis

Now in its updated second edition, *Full Frontal Feminism* is a book that continues to embody the forward-looking messages that author Jessica Valenti propagated as founder of the popular website, *Feministing.com*. *Full Frontal Feminism* is a smart and relatable guide to the issues that matter to today's young women. This edition includes a new foreword by Valenti, reflecting upon what's happened in the seven years since *Full Frontal Feminism* was originally published. With new openers from Valenti in every chapter, the book covers a range of topics, including pop culture, health, reproductive rights, violence, education, relationships, and more. Chapters include: You're a Hardcore Feminist. I Swear. Feminists Do It Better (and Other Sex Tips) Pop Culture Gone Wild The Blame (and Shame) Game If These Uterine Walls Could Talk Material World My Big Fat Unnecessary Wedding and Other Dating Diseases 'Real' - Women Have Babies I Promise I Won't Say 'Herstory' - Boys Do Cry Beauty Cult Sex and the City Voters, My Ass A Quick Academic Aside Get to It Since its original publication, *Full Frontal Feminism* has reassured readers: yeah, you're feminists, and that's actually pretty cool.

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Customer Reviews

Jessica Valenti is called one of the Top 100 Inspiring Women in the world by The Guardian; is the author of four books on feminism, politics, and culture. Jessica is also the founder of *Feministing.com*, which *Columbia Journalism Review* called 'head and shoulders

above almost any writing on women's issues in mainstream media. Her writing has appeared in The Washington Post, The Nation, The Guardian (UK), The American Prospect, Ms. magazine, Salon, and Bitch magazine. Jessica received her Masters degree in Women's and Gender Studies from Rutgers University. She lives with her husband and daughter in Boston.

I felt that reading this book actually dampened rather than increased my enthusiasm for and belief in the feminists of today. I admit to being old-fashioned when it comes to my taste in writing, so I take newer authors with a grain of salt, but I was hard-pressed to find sources which backed up this author's arguments. Instead of presenting facts, she used non-contextualized quotes and sensational techniques such as swearing and admitting to being drunk while writing as ways to engage her readers. I found this not only a poor communication style but also somewhat insulting, as if the author assumed that these are the only ways to appeal to her audience. To claim Valenti's definition of feminism is to reduce it to an emotionally charged and non-academic level, which is not, in my opinion, an effective way to truly progress the movement. For a logical and systematic exposition of feminism and women's rights, I recommend choosing a more academic author.

I got this as a Christmas present for my friend and decided I had to read it before giving it to her. This book really is more of a "guide," like an introduction to feminism and women's rights or lack thereof. It's well written if you don't mind a sassy, potty-mouthed author (which I love). She is educated and knows what she's talking about. I think Valenti does a great job really outlining all major part about feminism, especially how she points out "white feminism" as well as intersectionality. She gives real-life events, laws, cases, and even names a multitude of organizations that are worth looking into. She points out the different phases of feminism, explains how the movement is by no means dead, and heavily inspires to make an effort and how to even do so. Overall, I found this book to be very informational and a necessary read for all, whether you identify as a feminist or not.

I purchased this book because it was required for my Women's Studies college course. I didn't think I'd like the book, but after reading the first few chapters I couldn't put it down. I wound up reading ahead and finishing the book before the rest of the class. Jessica Valenti found a way to write about serious women's issues in a funny and relatable way.

Writes for a younger audience. I recommend young women to read this book to get a glimpse of

reality and our place as women in western society

Great book, fun conversational style, easy to read but also lots of good information and insightful stuff. Some of the material is a lil outdated because of advances in gay marriage or things like that in the last 10 years but overall relevant info and very approachable style.

Impulse buy because I was looking to educate myself on feminism (new to the movement) and I liked the cover. I'm so glad I bought this book! It's hilarious, unforgiving, and actually includes transgender issues. A++ for Miss Valenti!

This book was a great read. It's almost like the beginners guide to being a feminist. When you get down to the real definition, we're all really a bit feminist. The word always comes with such a negative connotation, when really it just means you would like to be treated equally. And doesn't everyone want that? This book can give woman the confidence to stand up for their rights and know they're here to be more than just a housewife! Woman can make a real difference, they just need to realize it!

So I'm a guy, assigned this book for a college course on women and gender. To be honest, I was just taking the class to fill a requirement for my business degree. This book changed that, it was a calm friendly tone, and define made me more interested in working against sexism and misogyny, and feel comfortable doing it. In my opinion, this isn't a bad book for men or women to start with, if interested in what feminism is all about

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