



## Boomer Babes with Brilliant Dreams

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### 1. As a baby boomer woman, what do you find most comforting about growing older?

I've always said that when a woman is in her 20s, no one takes her seriously. In her 30s, people tend to just use her ("You're young...you have more energy..."). It's not until a woman hits her 40s and 50s that the world around her takes note and says, "Hey! Maybe she has something worthwhile to say!" I love telling people that I'm "kissing 50." They're typically surprised, expecting me to say that I'm in my late 30s. I can live with that.

### 2. At what point in your life did writing become your career and did it find you or did you find it?

I suppose it found me. I was 40. I took a walk one day and, as it was the spring of the year, I could smell jasmine. This evoked a wonderful memory from my childhood, the memory became a storyline, and--by the time I got home--I was ready to write! I wrote for a whole year, nearly every day. Something inside me kept saying, "This will be published. This will be published." I didn't know HOW or WHEN, but I trusted that voice.

### 3. As a little girl, what were the dreams of your heart and have you realized those dreams in some form or fashion as a woman?

To be a published writer. But a teacher told me I "could not." So, I buried those dreams. Then, the door to my dreams opened and I walked through.

#### 4. How important is it for us to listen to our heart and why?

You know, had I listened to my heart when I was 12 instead of that teacher I just mentioned (who I'm sure meant well!) or anyone else who told me I didn't have what it took, I would have gone to school to study creative writing and would have been well on my way when I was a lot younger and had (ahem) more energy!

#### 5. What single piece of advice would you give to a fellow baby boomer sister who decides she has not been listening to the dreams of her heart and wants to change course in midlife?

It sounds cliché, but here goes: JUST DO IT! I get so sick of women who list a million and one reasons why they CAN'T. Truth be told, you only need ONE reason why you CAN.



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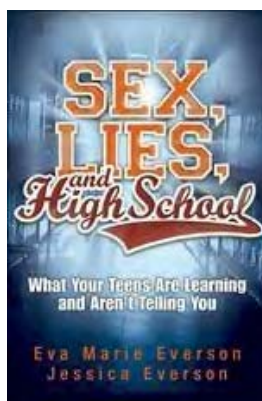
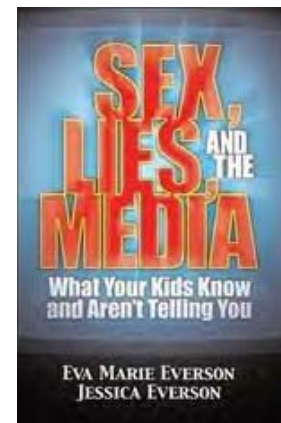
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