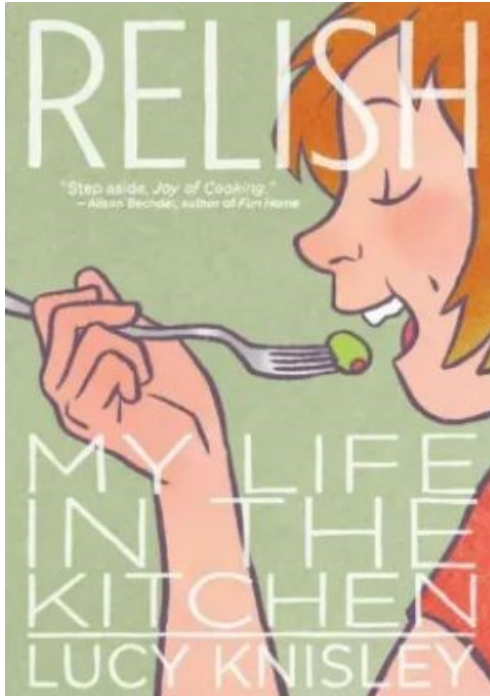


# RELISH: MY LIFE IN THE KITCHEN



*Young Adult Graphic Novel*

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### Book Summary:

A young woman's biography involving her love of food.

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This book contains sexual nudity; alcohol use by minors; and references to drug abuse and alternate gender ideologies.

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9	<p>The former residents had split in a nasty divorce, prompting the furious wife to use olive oil to write "Fred Stell is a drug addict and a drag queen" in enormous letters on the brick of the kitchen wall.</p>
63	<p>The illustration on the middle-right side of the page depicts a display rack with several magazines. There are cartoonish images of nude women and one with a nude woman sitting on a nude man.</p> <p>The words above the picture read: Displayed on the rack, without any attempt at concealment, were fifty or so colorful pornographic magazines.</p> <p>The illustration on the bottom of the page depicts two children looking at the rack of pornographic magazines.</p> <p>The words above the image read: We'd only known American magazine stands, where the pornography was guarded jealously by adults, and our presence near to those rows of black-bagged mysteries was met with rebuke.</p> <p><i>See Figure 1.</i></p>
64	<p>The illustration on the top-left side of the page depicts a man grabbing a magazine. The cover of the magazine features a nude woman in a frontal view. Her breasts are exposed and her legs are splayed open.</p> <p>The words above the image read: To our surprise, the proprietor only pulled a magazine from the rack, and offered it, shining and crisp, into Drew's shaking hands.</p> <p>The illustration on the top-right side of the page depicts the man's extended arm as he is handing the magazine to a boy.</p> <p>The illustration on the middle-right side of the page depicts the same boy holding a stack of magazines. The cover of the magazine on the top depicts are nude woman's chest and torso. The magazine is titled "teets." The boy is handing a man a stack of coins.</p> <p>The words above the image read: Over the next few days, while our mothers languished at the hotel, Drew consumed these magazines in staggering numbers.</p> <p>Objects from his backpack were discarded; Mad Libs and school reading assignments and a travel Battleship game, displaced to make room for the porn stash. I watched his shoulders begin to strain against the increasing weight of his obsession.</p> <p><i>See Figure 2.</i></p>
65	<p>The illustrations on the bottom of the page depict a girl sitting on a toilet with her pants around her ankles. There is blood on the inside of her panties.</p>
70	<p>The mothers of the two children are talking to one another as the two children are standing near them. The mothers are saying, "You know what I heard they hate even more than drug smuggling? Underage kids buying pornography here in Mexico. When they discover it at the border..."</p> <p>..."They have a special smut detector, like a metal detector, but for porn!"</p> <p>..."I'm just glad I'm not taking any porno mags in my carry-on. I wouldn't want to go to Mexican prison."</p>
71	<p>The illustration on the bottom of the page depicts a toilet with several magazines leaning against the wall behind the toilet. The magazine facing outward depicts a nude buttock.</p> <p>The words beside the image read: At least \$200 worth of pornographic magazines were now</p>

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	stashed hastily behind a toilet in the men's public bathroom; a treasure for some unsuspecting janitor to discover.
73	The illustration on this page depicts a man with cleaning supplies standing next to a toilet. He is looking at a magazine with a nude buttock on the cover. There are several other magazines behind the toilet an on the floor next to the the toilet.
88	The illustration on the bottom-right side of the page depicts a glass with light brown liquid inside. A cigar rests on the glass. The image is labeled "Whiskey & cigars". The words beside the image read: Drew was eager to show me all the illicit goodies available to underage kids in Tokyo- He favored contraband that reminded him of home back in the states.
89	The image on the middle-left side of the page depicts a vending machine with several pairs of women's' panties inside. The image is labeled "Panty vending machine!"
91	The illustration on the top-left side of the page depicts a young man crouched on the ground next to a taxi with the passenger door open. The young man is vomiting. The image is labeled: Early in the trip, I began to see why it's illegal for kids to smoke and drink in the U.S.  The next day, our mothers dragged our hungover corpses on a temple sightseeing tour.
124	The illustration on the top-right side of the page depicts two young women looking at framed art on a wall. The art piece on the left-side depicts a nude woman on her knees with her torso leaning back.

The locals were kind enough to endure us—two sugar-wild and unaccompanied kids, with very little ability to speak and understand Spanish, other than “How much?”

It was the second day of exploration when we discovered the side alley, and the stand where Drew would soon spend a small fortune in pesos.



Standing before the rack of glossy magazines, I was pensively licking at a spicy, indefinable lollipop when I saw Drew's face go slack with wonder.

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Figure 1



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Figure 2