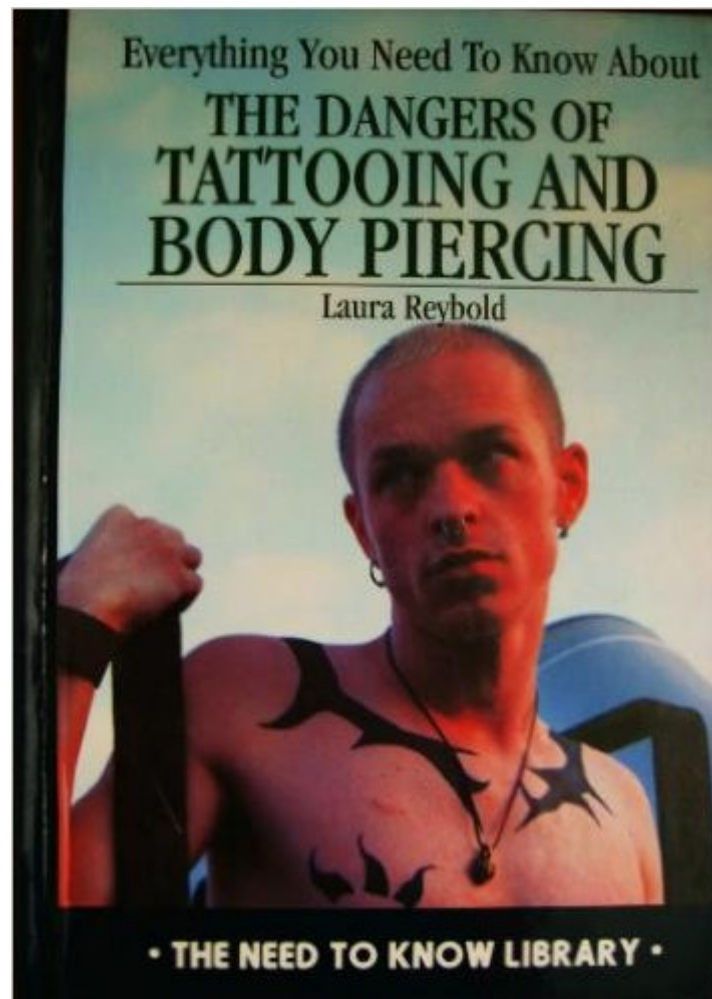


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# Everything You Need To Know About The Dangers Of Tattooing And Body Piercing (Need To Know Library)



## Synopsis

Presents a history of body piercing and tattooing before discussing the risks and consequences involved. --This text refers to an alternate Library Binding edition.

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This book is, in a nutshell, a piece of garbage. The author takes personal bias to a whole new level (of course I guess I'm just biased the other way). No doubt her examples have some basis in fact, but they represent exaggerated worst case scenarios. If you want more level-headed (and accurate) advice on piercing and tattoos, go to a REPUTABLE piercer or tattoo artist. If you enjoy fear-mongering and misinformation, by all means, buy this book. For every horror story this woman dredges up, there are countless good experiences that do not result in scars and various social traumas. On a more positive note, this book fully deserves the full 1 star because it made me laugh so darn hard. The author's next offering may be "Everything You Need to Know about the Dangers of Fruit and Vegetables", telling stories of how some kid poked out his eye with a carrot.

As a professional tattoo artist, I can assure anyone that this book is inaccurate and purposely deceptive. The experiences described by the oh-so-obviously fictitious characters depicts made-up experiences...at least I hope there aren't tattoo studios out there performing in the manner described! This is meant to scare and not to inform, as it does not provide readers with actual realistic situations, nor does it list the things a person should really be looking for in researching a

studio to be tattooed, pierced, branded, etc.; such as specific sterilization techniques and whether or not they are following state health code regulations. I avidly recommend thoroughly checking up with health laws and studios before deciding on such permanent and drastic body modifications, as well as finding a book with information to help you understand clearly what it is that you should be looking for-and looking OUT for. I believe that tattoos and piercings are not things to fear, but to be educated THOROUGHLY on...the only helpful advice I found this book to contain was that of explaining the reaction of society to exposed bodyart and the possible stigmas it can sometimes unfortunately carry with it.

i had to do a research report on eyebrow piercing and this was the only bo0k the library had! all i have to say was that this bo0k was extremely bias saying all the untruths about piercings...Like the only people that get piercings are bikers and it is not excepted!! This bo0k really didnt even help Me!!

The author who wrote this did a good job and had some very useful information. I did a senior project for school and after reading this book, was able to get good info on tattoos and piercings. I would recommend it to anyone who wants some good history info and also for anyone looking for safety info on tattooing and piercing.

I bought this book after reading the negative reviews. I expected to read some gory stories about body piercing, but found this book tame, to say the least. Actually, it was somewhat biased in favor of tattooing and should have been titled "a complete guide to body piercing and tattooing". It covers both sides and is especially helpful in giving good advise on the care of piercing and tattooing. The cases given were, in my experience, fairly common and typical. At the hospital where I am at, I have seen much much worse, such as a male who tore his genital piercing and, by the time he got to the hospital, was covered with blood. After reconstruction surgery he had to battle infections. Some infections, especially those due to tongue piercing, can be a real problem. I have seen many very nasty infections that linger on for months or longer (infections still are one of the most common causes of death, even in the Western world). Antibodies are not always effective and over use can result in the development of resistant strains. Also, antibiotic use can result in the development of new allergies that can be lethal. A major problem is hepatitis C, which can cause liver cancer, usually a fatal form of cancer. The problem is, it may take 10 to 20 years to develop, long after one has forgotten about the piercing. The literature indicates that this viral infection may be a major

problem in the future, but we will not know until several years down the road how serious it will turn out to be. Also, HIV infection is a real problem, as is cyst formation, lipomas, keloid formation, edema, hematoma, and other health problems. After reading the negative reviews of this book, it is quite clear to me that the critics never read the book. Someone needs to write a book on the real dangers of body piercing and tattooing.

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