

You grow, girl

Cool ideas to help your teen explore her world

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Your girl may be at that awkward age between childhood and adulthood and you don't have a clue what she wants. Or, maybe she's just a girl whose goals you want to encourage or whose dreams you want to inspire.

If you've got girls on your shopping list this holiday season, we've got some gift ideas that might bring that mighty smile to their faces. These ideas offer loads of fun while sharing other life lessons along the way.

Books and magazines

Some of the most popular books with teen girls this year, according to Amazon.com, the on-line bookseller, are:

- "Cool Women: The Reference" by Dawn Chipman, et al. (Girl Press). Nominated by the American Library Association as one of the Best Books for Young Adults of 1998, "Cool Women" is a collection of profiles of such role models as Amelia Earhart, Cleopatra, Dorothy Parker and Jane Goodall,

"women who overcame their own fears to go beyond society's expectations and succeed on their own terms."

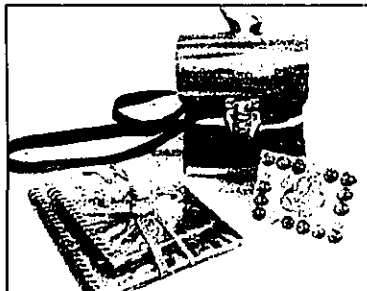
- "Real Gorgeous: The Truth About Body and Beauty" by Kaz Cooke (W.W. Norton & Co.). Cutting through society's messages about body image, beauty, eating disorders, diets and cosmetic surgery, "we needed a book that wasn't trying to sell us anything except self-confidence and the truth," says Cooke. "I couldn't find one so I had to write one."

- "Girl Power: Young Women Speak Out" by Hillary Carlip (Warner Books). Carlip gathers the voices of girls 13 to 19 from diverse backgrounds, who express their deepest sentiments on timely topics.

"The voices of these young women will inspire and encourage other girls to speak up, speak out and speak from the heart."

- Consider the 1999 winner of The Coretta Scott King Author Award, "Heaven: A Novel" by Angela Johnson

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Over the rainbow:
Backpack purse,
\$15, smile frame, \$8
and journal set, \$17
at Koochie-koo, West
Bloomfield.



Baubles and beads: Woven
bead bracelet, \$14, multi-
colored bracelets, \$12 each at
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field.



Jean Jeanies: Aztec pattern
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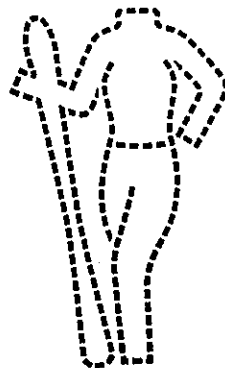
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