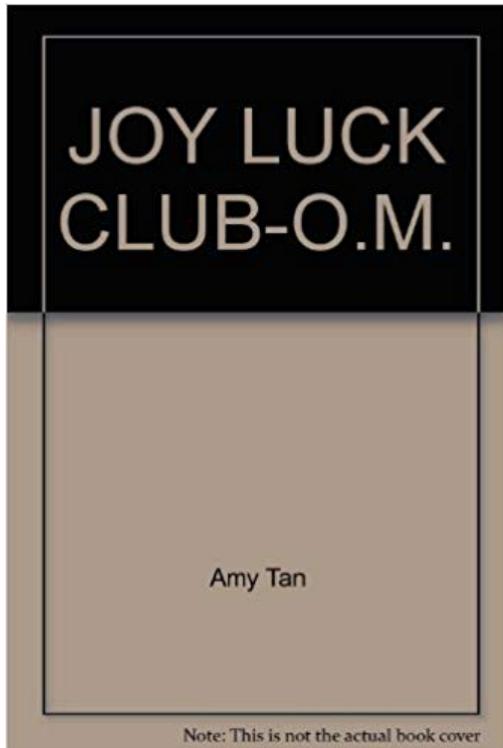


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Reviews of the Joy Luck Club-O.M. by Amy Tan

- **Jesmi**

A sensitive, multi-generational story of mothers and daughters, cousins and aunts, intertwined with the stories of the mothers as young girls in China and the conflicts and similarities of the generations.

Four immigrant Chinese women, Suyuan, An-Mei, Lindo and Ying Ying, survivors of their traumatic pasts, each relate their own stories in vivid detail, in the hope of teaching their American daughters to believe in themselves and achieve a better life in America.

Having grown up in America, the daughters, Jing Mei, Rose, Waverly, and Lena, in turn relate their struggles to understand their mothers, and the cultural differences and divisions between them. The book is descriptive, emotional, warm, and intelligent, as well as informative, Should not be missed! Recommended.

- **Anarahuginn**

I'm a huge fan of Amy Tan..... I have read all her books, have shared them, read them again, and again..... this I think was her first book (or first made into a movie), it's been years and decided to read again and couldn't find, so ordered and loved it so much, I got one for my daughter also (I'm keeping this copy for me). This is not just a story of 4 friends and their 4 daughters.... it's the story of each mother having a history, that changed them, having friendships for decades, and how we must never assume we know it all. Four friends from China, different stories for each, and how each tries to reach their daughters who were born in America, and who have no inkling of the rich and stormy past to bring them to this place and time. Each mother is trying to reach their child, to share lessons, to help them find their Chinese side inside of them. Reminds me how a mother sees more than her child realizes.

Wonderful how Amy Tam weaves the tales from one daughter back to the mothers story, and you become invested in each of their lives. A rich and life affirming look at relationships. Loved it.

Magical !

- **Gorisar**

If you're looking for a plot, don't bother. If you're looking for character development and a description of cultural conflict between generations, this is your book. I confess to being a little confused on the characters from segment to segment and I think the author could have differentiated the mothers better. That having been said, it was a delightful read.

- **Qumen**

This is my third read through this book, and it just keeps getting better. The characters and stories are all relatable in some ways, and confounding in others. The breadth of experiences described in these stories means that at any point, some are directly relevant in my life, and others I can hardly imagine ever being true for anyone, even though I know they are. I first read this book in my early teens, and will probably read it again in a few years. I keep finding new gems in it, that I didn't have the experience to understand on the previous read.

- **Xal**

I thoroughly enjoyed this book. These are heartfelt stories of mothers and daughters and their tumultuous relationships and journeys through life. Each woman tells a story of her past which ultimately effects her future in fascinating ways. The only problems I had reading the e-book was I had to go back and match up mothers and daughters which would have been easier with a paper back! The realizations of love and understanding come to each character as their stories resolve into present day. I was sad to get to the end of the book.

- **Vinainl**

Amy Tan uses vignettes of different mothers and daughters going back and forth in time to tell their stories. Although at first, it was hard to keep track of who was who, Ms. Tan reveals their Chinese culture with such beauty that one can't help but be absorbed in the narrative. Her prose is poetic, full of symbolism, and precise. Every word counts. She brings a different world, a different culture to life with the eye of an artist painting an exotic garden.

- **Dukinos**

I purchased this book to read with my daughter. It was required summer reading for her literature class but I knew we'd both enjoy it as part of our private book club too. It's so well written and contains so many teachable moments. We discussed mother-daughter dynamics, red flags in relationships, and tons more. Simply a good read. We rented the movie after completing the book to

get a different perspective - that's always fun!

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