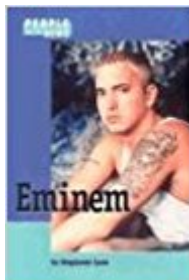


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Gr. 9-12. Anyone familiar with Eminem can guess at the pitfalls in writing his biography. As Lane notes, "At turns witty and shockingly violent, Eminem's songs have included ribald sexual fantasies . . . angry and violent denunciations of homosexuals, and incredibly detailed fantasies about killing his ex-wife and his mother." Without sensationalizing, Lane goes into some explicit detail on Eminem's works, providing a serious look at an influential rapper. The book chronicles Marshall Mathers' (Eminem's real name) difficult, perhaps abusive, childhood, his infatuation with rap, his success, and the professional and personal controversies that have come his way (he's been sued by both his ex-wife and mother). Lane quotes from magazine and newspaper interviews with Eminem where he addresses accusations that he is homophobic and misogynistic, while sidebars give opponents and supporters their own chance to speak. All of this makes for thought-provoking reading, albeit laced (though not gratuitously) with the slurs Eminem uses. The gray format with black-and-white photos makes this look less explosive than might be expected. As with others in the People in the News series, footnotes and a time line are appended. Ilene CooperCopyright ©

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