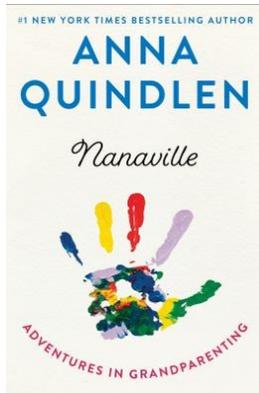


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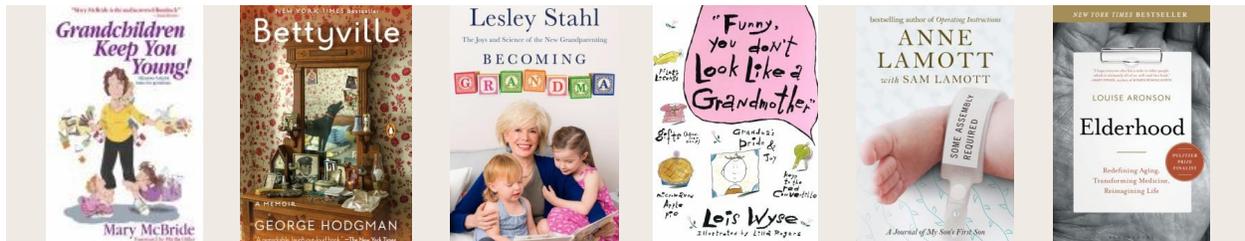
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Biography:



Born in Philadelphia, PA, Anna Quindlen is a graduate of Barnard College. She started her writing career as a copy girl at the age of 18. She began her journalism career in 1974 as a reporter for the *New York Post*. She went to work at the *New York Times* and was there for 13 years leaving in 1995 to become a novelist full-time. She was awarded a **Pulitzer Prize** in 1992 for her op-ed column, "Public and Private." She has written seven best-selling novels three of which were made into movies: *One True Thing* (for which Meryl Streep was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Actress in 1998), *Black and Blue*, and *Blessings*. She is the first writer ever to have books appear on the fiction, nonfiction, and self-help *New York Times* Best Seller lists. She is married to New Jersey attorney, Gerald Krovatin and lives in Manhattan, NY. Their sons Quindlen Krovatin (father of her grandchildren) and Christopher Krovatin are published authors, and daughter Maria is an actress, comedian, and writer. Quindlen was 63 when Arthur (age 4), her first grandchild, was born; She now has a second grandchild, Ivy. Her grandparent name is Nana. (Adapted from <https://www.grandmagazine.com/2019/07/anna-quindlen-enjoying-her-new-life-in-nanaville/>)

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Discussion Questions:

1. What did you like about the book? What did you not like?
2. Did you find the book easy to read? Why?
3. Did the format contribute to the book's success? Why or why not?
4. How does grandparenting differ from parenting?
5. Does some of the authors stories mimic your own experiences? How?
6. What do you think are the top challenges facing today's grandparents?
7. What advice would you give to a new grandparent?
8. What is something new you learned about in this book that you hadn't realized before?