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**Romi Brenner : Please Tell Me I'm On Mute** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Please Tell Me I'm On Mute:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Humor, Wisdom, and Beautiful ProseBy Deborah HawkinsPlease Tell Me I'm on Mute by Romi Brenner is a series of laugh-out loud essays about marriage and parenthood. The book opens with Ms. Brenner trying to participate in an office meeting by phone, while two-year-old Mia drags chairs

across her mother's room, sings nursery rhymes, and announces with great joy at the top of her voice that she just went poo all by herself. Soon Mr. Brenner goes on to explain why driving into a zoo parking lot with a three-year-old is a binding contract to visit, even if there is no parking space in sight; the difficulties of persuading Mia to give up her beloved binky; and the lesson Mia learns from dropping a terra cotta worm in the hardware store before it's paid for. There are also essays on the joys and tribulations of marriage, including trying to buy a couch that will fit five-foot Ms. Brenner and her six-foot husband and the difficulty of managing two careers. The most touching essay is about the birth of the Brenners' second child, and the anxious days waiting to know if Baby Alex would recover from TTN, transient tachypnea of the newborn. Ms. Brenner writes lovely, descriptive prose throughout the book, but her descriptions of the baby's ordeal and that of herself and her husband are particularly poignant. Although the topics of parenthood, marriage, and life as a working mother are not new, Ms. Brenner's humor and deeper reflections on lessons learned make her book fresh and interesting. Please Tell Me I'm on Mute a fast, fun, and heartwarming read. 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful read! By Philippa L There are so many parenting books out there and after awhile it becomes enough... but this book was such an enjoyable read that I have to recommend it. Each chapter is a vignette about the author's experiences in parenting, both joyful and painful, but mostly humorous (I found myself laughing out loud many times!). She has a wonderful way of telling a story, from the completely ridiculous (like trying to have a conversation with your child about pooping while on a business conference call) to the really touching (like moving to a completely different city and job to save your family's sanity). While the book will definitely be enjoyed by working parents, I highly recommend it for anyone who has ever tried to love and take care of a family. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. So incredibly hilarious and relateable!! By Jessica J I have three daughters (2.5 yr old twins and a 4 year old). I decided to leave the workforce at stay home with my oldest when she was a newborn. Ever since then I'd been desperately searching for things/jobs to do from home. When I finally was able to find not only ONE, but TWO part-time jobs that end up being 40 hours a week that are actual paid JOBS, I was ecstatic. I started being a WAHM in Dec. 2012 after not working for several years. My girls didn't get it. They didn't understand I couldn't jump at their every whim, get them a refill on their sippy cup RIGHT NOW, or get off the computer anytime I wanted to play Barbies for the 12th time that day. They have a hard time understanding that Mommy was working even though I sat right there in my peanut butter smeared yoga pants and no makeup. Please Tell Me I'm on Mute showed up in a free Kindle book list and I bought it LITERALLY the same day I had my first conference call with my CEO and CFO of one of the companies I work for. I laughed when I figured out it was about daughters (one of my daughters' names is Mia, short for Amelia), finding a balance between WAHM and SAHM, and loving your children uncontrollably when you feel like you're losing control. Short and humorous chapters with completely relateable situations, I rarely give 5-stars to any book, but this one definitely deserves it! I can't wait to read more from Romi! Keep up the great work, Mama! :)

Trying to preserve her last few precious shreds of sanity while working and raising children, Romi Brenner has come to terms with the fact that sometimes you have to turn a blind eye to the fashion whims of a four year old, that you can never underestimate the power of a phone with a working mute button, and that pedicures just aren't for everyone. Maintaining her sense of humor amid bath time hysterics, birthday cake pop carnage and botched early morning conference calls, Brenner takes her readers through a series of hilarious essays about motherhood and family life. Join Brenner and find out why she won't let her husband go couch shopping on his own, why she is looking into buying stock in salt water taffy and how she lost her mind to motherhood, but why she doesn't mind at all.