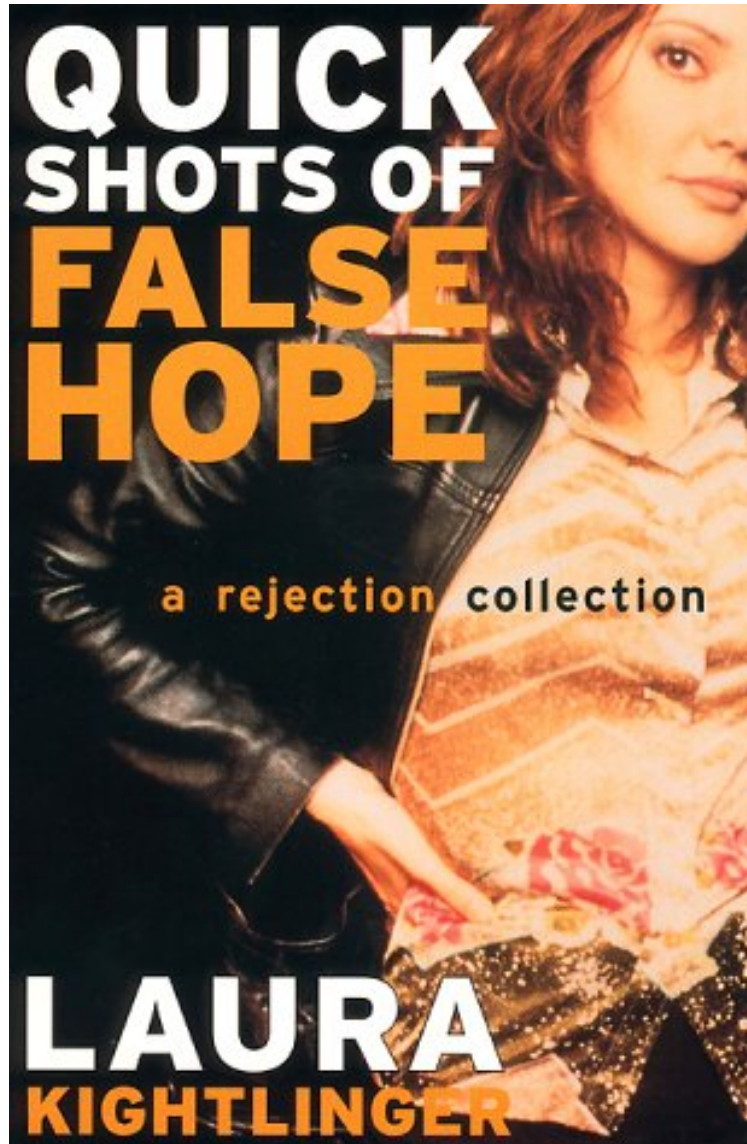


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Nobody ever promised Laura (except maybe her high school Spanish teacher, and she never understood what he was saying anyway) that life was going to be easy. And sure enough, it wasn't. From her high school talent competition where she performs a stunning syncopated "funktastic" dance to "Car Wash," to her first job and subsequent dismissal at the local all-you-can-eat steakhouse, to the ultimate revenge fantasy of a stand-up comic who has been heckled one too many times, this is a sardonic look into the everyday workings of a performer and her not-so-stellar life. Wildly irreverent and darkly comic, these stories will make you laugh, cringe, and ultimately identify.

From Kirkus sThough billed as fiction, these funny, full-bodied, sparsely styled, strongly etched vignettes of Laura K's student days in upstate New York seem clearly based on the author's life, especially the pieces on Laura's debuts as a standup comic, writer/performer on Saturday Night Live, appearances on Comedy Central, and as a dark-humored writer for Roseanne. Early stories tell of eighth-grade misadventures as she (bustless) and her closest friend (overbusted) make idiots of themselves doing a "Carwash" dance number and are crushed when gonged off the school auditorium stage. At 15, when she still hasn't begun her menses, the school nurse and family nurse both tell her not to worry: "And, really, what could they have told me? To leave a tampon under my pillow?" Her mother, divorced from her father for 16 years (he's remarried and has kids), still sleeps with him on the sly. Her family takes in a Spanish student for three weeks; she doesn't get along with Laura and is shocked by their unfashionable house after all, they're Americans. When Laura wins the high-school Spanish contest, she has to go to Spain and (unhappily) live with her former guest's wealthy family. Her days as a standup in Boston and working with Tom Arnold on his new TV show and on SNL won't leave readers in stitches but will have them gritting teeth at her stitches of pain. Kightlinger knows what it's like to be kicked hard and save her tears for the bathroom. -- Copyright ©1999, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved. "Cutting and perceptive...she lets the funny come out in her rich detail." -- --

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