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#### **AUTHOR BIO (LONG)**



**TAMARA DEVER** 

Tamara (call her Tami or Tam) Dever grew up on books, music, and art. She began reading at a very early age and read every horse book available from the library or the Arrow Book Club. Her dad had her convinced that country was the only type of real music until she discovered pop in sixth grade. In fact, while in junior high, her first concert was to see Johnny Cash with her family. She still loves the nostalgia classic country brings, but prefers '70s and '80s rock and pop these days.

Tami is the founder and creative director of TLC Book Design, a leading, boutique book creation firm

for publishers of all sizes. She's somewhat addicted to playing lyrics trivia games with her coworkers (or anyone who will join the fun) and has an epic '80s costume birthday party each year. Concerts are her favorite thing to do on a date night and she's seen Billy Joel eleven times, including at Lambeau Field—a thrill for a die-hard Packer fan! Other favorites include Queen, Journey, Styx, Chicago, and Toto. She'll insert a fitting lyric into any conversation and can rewrite a song with lyrics that'll make you laugh (or roll your eyes) in minutes. (You read the book, right? Tell me they didn't roll at least once.)

Tamara lives in Austin, Texas with her husband, two kids, two dogs, and a boatload of books, cassettes, albums, and CDs.

#### **VERY SHORT:**

Tamara Dever is an award-winning book designer, owner of TLC Book Design, and insatiable lover of '70s and '80s pop and rock music and culture. She lives in Austin, Texas with her husband, two kids, two dogs, and a boatload of books, cassettes, albums, and CDs.



### Do you feel Overjoyed when you hear your favorite old-school song?

## Do you stand in line like a Fool in the Rain to buy the latest bestselling book?

I Like Big Books and I Cannot Lie brings fun and laughter to lovers of '70s and '80s music as well as book lovers. On the pages within, you'll find trivia, brainteasers, quizzes, crossword puzzles, and many songs you'll recognize—sort of. You see, the tunes haven't changed, but the words have! Each remastered song now has a book-related theme and you'll never hear it **Just the Same Way** again. If you can't quite remember how a melody goes, visit ILikeBigBooks.com for a link to our YouTube channel featuring a playlist with the songs in the order they appear in this book.

This fun book is full of trivia, puzzles, and games that tie books and music **Together Forever** in a way you've likely never considered. As one reader proclaimed, "you'll sing the clever, new lyrics to well-known tunes multiple times" as you **Relax** with what's been called a "rock-and-roll joy bomb" of a book!

- 100 + fun facts about classic rock and pop bands, songs, and their literary ties
- Over 100 quiz questions in the form of fill-in-the blanks and crossword puzzles
- 23 songs with remastered lyrics that will cause contagious laughter

#### Let the Music Play!

#### For Those About to Rock (We Salute You)

"Such a fun spin on the classics; this is the perfect read for any music lover or avid book reader!"

> ADLEY, viral video sensation and Grammy-awarded entertainer

"This book is so brilliant...
a party in book form.
It will transform tired book clubs into '80s dress-up events."

- Robin Cutler, Director of IngramSpark

"Warm up those vocal cords (at least your sense of humor) and enjoy this funny, fast-paced, kaleidoscope of a book!"

 Connie Hicks, school librarian, teacher, and former musical theater major

"This book is pure FUN...
a great conversation starter."

 Travis Cohee, 30-year professional musician and worship leader

"Inspired, and at times laugh-outloud brilliant. If you don't like this book, you're Out of Touch."

 Joe Bissen, copyeditor, Star Tribune, national award-winning author, Fore! Gone. "I'll be ordering copies of 'Big Books' for the band.
This is a cool way to pass the time while waiting for downbeat."

 Matt Wilson, "Piano Man" in the Billy Joel and Twyla Tharp Tony award-winning musical "Movin' Out," 30-year touring musician, entrepreneur, author

### "Thanks for the rock-and-roll joy bomb!"

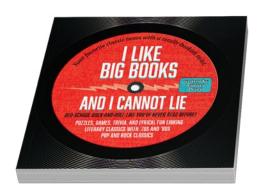
 TJ Greaney, host, The Outdoor Zone radio show, owner, Country Line Magazine, author, Year 13

"Ms. Dever has teased our palate by taking rhythms, images, literature, and even visual memories and reminded us of the times of our lives!"

Patrick J Berger, Director of Engineering,
 WKQX, WLS-FM, and WLS-AM, Chicago

"If you enjoy reading books and appreciate the music of the '70s and '80s, Tamara Dever wrote I Like Big Books and I Cannot Lie for you."

 Jonathan Little, '70s & '80s radio DJ, Madison, WI





# TUBOTheres FOR YOU

#### This book is totally excellent for:

- GenXers/men and women born in the '60s and '70s
- Trivia contests (inspire questions, prize giveaways)
- Mother's Day/Father's Day/birthday gifts
- Classic rock and pop fans
- Musicians (Great to alleviate tour bus monotony.)
- DJs (provide trivia, questions for call-in contests, remote prizes)
- Book lovers/avid readers
- '70s and '80s parties, cruises, beach parties, conferences

#### Benefits of reading ILBB:

- Provides laughter and levity in worrisome, unsure times
- Brings a sense of nostalgia and the "good old days"
- Inspires creativity
- Brain-teasers & music are both known to improve mental function
- Teaches link between reading and creating music



#### Interview Questions to Consider

- Why this book? And why now?
- What is the inspiration for the book?
- How long did it take you create the book from start to finish?
- What makes this book timely, though it has a retro theme?
- What is it about that music gets to you most?
- What was your first concert? Favorite?
- What artist have you seen that's better live than recorded?
- Is there a band you'd see more than once?
- What concert would be on your bucket list?
- Test me with a couple of questions from the book.
- Do you anticipate more books in the series?
- Is this your first book? (Hint: It's my second.)
- Do you have a favorite reimagined song in this book?
- I heard something about you and Freddie Mercury at a concert. What's the real story?

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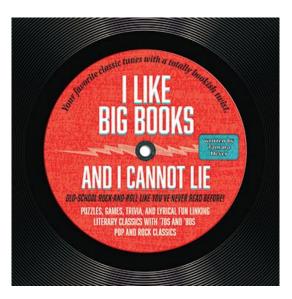


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THE PARTY'S OVER.

Seriously,

**THAT'S ALL!**