Among the Funniest Books Ever Written - I hate My Neck

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A Kansas farm wife identifying with a New York City writer seemed unlikely at first, if not impossible. But that title just hooked me. Do I feel bad about my neck? Most certainly, I do. Nora Ephron kept me laughing with every paragraph that describes our obsessive youth and fashion culture and the neck giveaway.

Chapter Two, "I Hate My Purse," made me laugh louder. When I reviewed this book for the Lunch & Lit meeting, I brought my collection of purses and their individual stories for the perfect solution. Nora Ephron is absolutely right. I HATE my purse.

From her reasons for deciding to never live anywhere but New York City, to the things she wished she had known sooner, to considering the alternatives in her life, Nora Ephron's book is a wonderful, stress-relieving read.

This truly is a book that can be read aloud for club meetings and other programs. I have done it twice now and both times I felt very good about the level of sharing it inspired. This book belongs in any public library that serves women, especially those who have a sense of humor.