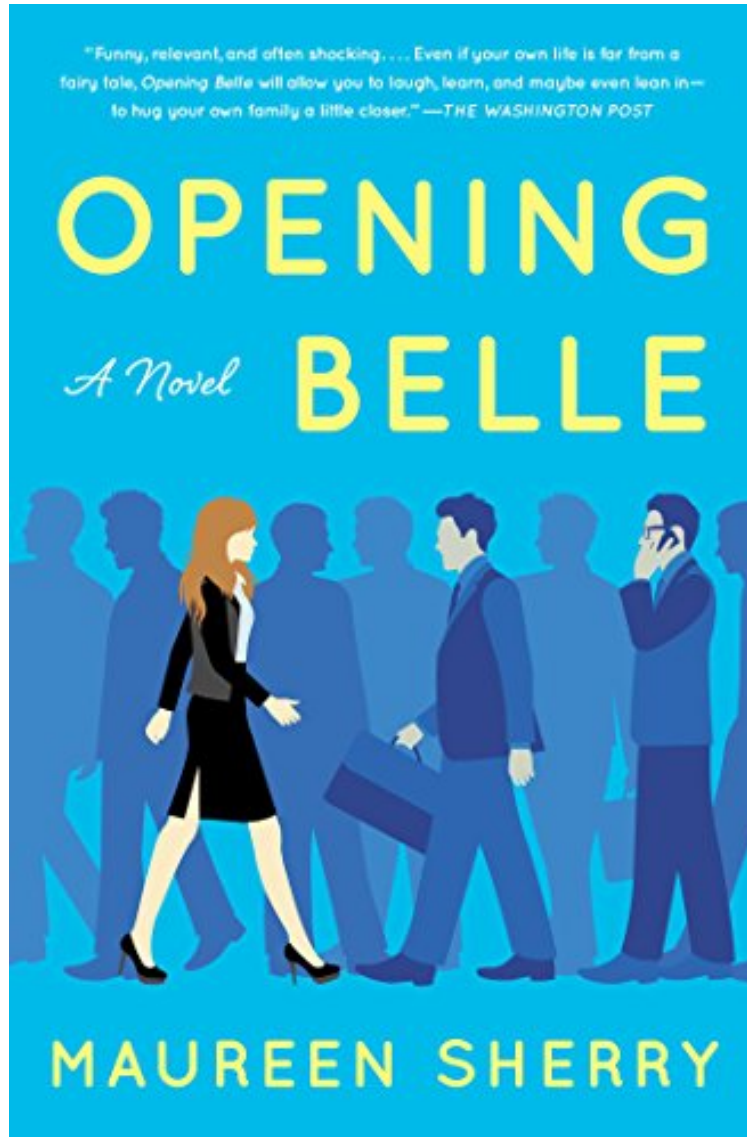


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**Von Maureen Sherry : Opening Belle: A Novel (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Opening Belle: A Novel (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A hilarious account of the mores of Wall StreetVon Michael Wells GlueckOpening Belle accurately portrays the macho working envirinment of brokerage firms. I worked in the industry for twenty-five years, and learned about birthday parties in which a heterosexual nude couple jumped out of a giant cake and, still in the altogether, mingled with the

revelers. Then there was the female fixed income portfolio manager who gleefully reported a bond salesman's reply to her questions about an issue's coupon, maturity, and yield to maturity: 'Oh, you must be the type who likes extended foreplay.' The antics and shenanigans described in this book are similarly raunchy and brimming with infectious humor. 3 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Humorous piece about women in business Von Helpful Advice "Opening Belle" by Maureen Sherry is a humorous piece about women in business a story told by woman who worked on Wall Street having chance from own perspective to realize how almost impossible is to juggle private life, love and family with business and ambition. Maureen Sherry who after college went to work on Wall Street, retired as a director more than ten years of hard-working but she chose to tell her story based on actual events in a bit different way. Though Sherry takes reader on not-boring-for-one-single second journey through the demanding choices in exciting and predatory business world, in same time "Opening Belle" is funny piece full of humor. Therefore, if you want to read book that is in same time exciting, insightful and humorous, Maureen Sherry's "Opening Belle" certainly would not disappoint, even if you are a man given the book is somehow advertised as written for women only.

Kurzbeschreibung Maureen Sherry's funny insider novel about a female Wall Street executive also trying to be a mother and a wife is a compulsively readable cheeky and at times, romantic battle-cry for any woman who's ever strived to have it all and been told by a man that she couldn't (Entertainment Weekly). Its 2008 and Isabelle, a thirty-something Wall Street executive, appears to have it all: the sprawling Upper West Side apartment; three healthy children; a handsome husband; and a job as managing director at a large investment bank. But her reality is something else. Her work environment resembles a frat party, her husband feels employment is beneath him, and the bulk of childcare logistics still fall in Belle's already crowded lap. Enter Henry, the former college fiancé she never quite got over; now a hedge fund mogul. He becomes her largest client, and Belle gets to see the life she might have had with him. While Henry campaigns to win Belle back, the sexually harassed women in her office take action to improve their working conditions, and recruit a wary Belle into a secret glass ceiling club whose goal is to mellow the cowboy banking culture and get equal pay for their work. All along, Belle can sense the financial markets heading toward their soon-to-be historic crash and that something has to give and when it does, everything is going to change: her marriage, her career, her bank statement, and her colleagues' frat boy behavior. Optioned by Reese Witherspoon who called it smart, biting, and honest, *Opening Belle* is funny, relevant, and often shocking. Even if your own life is far from a fairy tale, it will allow you to laugh, learn, and maybe even lean into hug your own family a little closer. (The Washington Post). Pressestimmen Compulsively readable a cheeky and at times, romantic battle-cry for any woman who's ever strived to have it all and been told by a man that she couldn't. (Entertainment Weekly) "Funny, relevant and often shocking.... Even if your own life is far from a fairy tale, *Opening Belle* will allow you to laugh, learn and maybe even lean in to hug your own family a little closer. (Washington Post) "Maureen Sherry's comic novel unspools like a movie.... I can just hear Cyndi Lauper's version of 'Money Changes Everything' on the soundtrack." (Dallas Morning News) "Corporate sexism and the mortgage crisis are a laugh a minute... in this delightful comic novel, at least.... So much fun, and educational too." (Kirkus s, starred review) A smart, biting and honest peek into what it means to be a woman on Wall Street. I loved this book. (Reese Witherspoon) "Working Girl meets Wolf of Wall Street in this in-depth, behind-the-pinstripe peek inside a temple of elite finance, navigated by a sharp, smart woman in an old boys' world." (Jill Kargman, author and creator of *Odd Mom Out*) "Wow. This is the inside story we've been waiting for. Wall Street women never talk because their silence has been bought. Not Maureen Sherry. She tells her story of a working mother's battle against outrageous sexism and financial recklessness with laugh-out-loud insight and winning panache. Shocking and hilarious, *Opening Belle* is one woman's glorious revenge on the unreconstructed Tarzans of the corporate jungle. I don't know how she does it, but I'm really glad she did." (Allison Pearson, author of *I Don't Know How She Does It*) "Opening Belle is an irresistibly Zeitgeist-y novel about motherhood, marriage, misogyny, lust, ambition, discovery, disappointment, entitled nannies, and Goldfish crackers on the floor that (and this is big) rings true. But that's not all. Sherry's novel is also a delightfully funny and frequently damning participant-observers dissection of the secretive codes and practices of an elite, socially antediluvian tribe of men who, in a very real sense, run the world. For them, the bell has sounded." (Wednesday Martin, author of *Primates of Park Avenue*) "Rooting for our girl banker/mommy/wife Isabelle is not tough; she is so brilliantly breezy. This book reveals the honest reality of a woman working in a man's world and still being treated like she's in an updated version of the cult classic *9 - 5*." (Lucy Sykes, author of *The Knockoff*) Maureen Sherry reveals what it's like to be a woman working in the adrenaline-fueled, complex, exciting, rewarding, and demanding culture of Wall Street. You won't be bored on this roller coaster ride. (Amy Goodfriend, CEO Goodfriend Partners, former Partner, Goldman Sachs) "This funny and fast-paced romp is sure to entertain." (Booklist) "This workplace novel that takes a fun look at Wall Street and the Park Avenue set is filled with humor and heart." (Library Journal) Kurzbeschreibung Maureen Sherry's funny insider novel about a female Wall Street executive also trying to be a mother and a wife is a compulsively readable cheeky and at times, romantic battle-

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