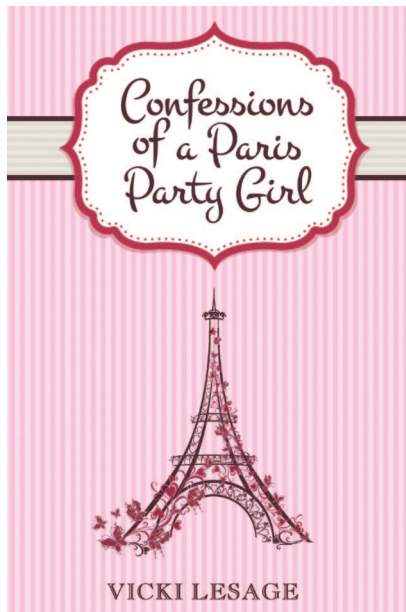


EXPAT BOOK REVIEWS

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Confessions of a Paris Party Girl

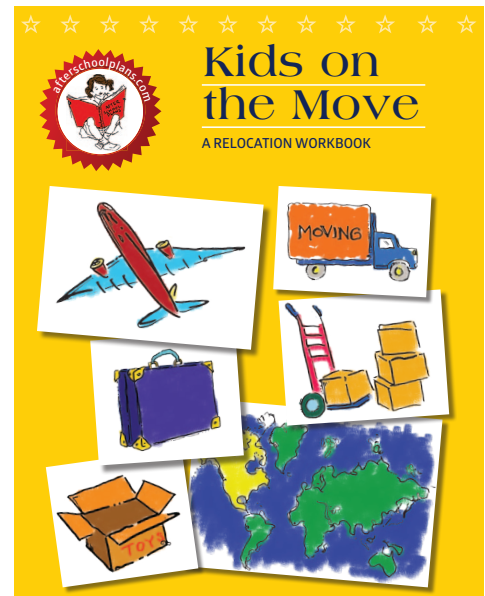
Vicki Lesage

CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform

\$14.99, 272 pages

Amazon best-selling author and American expat Vicki Lesage takes you on her journey from walking through the door of her first Parisian apartment as a newly-single party girl to finding love and settling down in her home away from home. *Confessions of a Paris Party Girl* is a laugh-out loud memoir with an unfiltered perspective on the ups and downs of one American's life in Paris, including the trials and tribulations of daily expat life, finding friends, dating, perfecting the French language, adapting to workplace idiosyncrasies, mastering *la bise*, and much more. As a former expat resident of Paris myself, I thoroughly enjoyed Vicki's bold observations on everything from the sometimes-irritating realities of French bureaucracy to the simply irresistible allure of Paris itself. *Confessions of a Paris Party Girl* is an

entertaining inside look at what it's like to be a 20-something American girl in the city of love. Fair warning: you'll likely be tempted to indulge in some Champagne and charcuterie as you flip through the pages, but make sure you save some for Vicki's other memoirs, *Confessions of a Paris Potty Trainer*, *Petite Confessions*, and *Confessions & Cocktails*. Find out more about Vicki at www.vickilasage.com.



Kids on the Move: A Relocation Workbook

Leah Evans (Author), Cathy Pratt (Illustrator)

CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform

\$9.99, 78 pages

Expat and former teacher Leah Evans is the mother of four nomadic children. In the last 10 years, her family has lived in five countries, including the U.S., Georgia, Ecuador, Ukraine, and now Paraguay. Her book, *Kids on the Move: A Relocation Workbook*, was designed to help children transition during a move. It provides a fun, creative space for kids to record memories, share stories, and paste or draw pictures related to their move abroad. The workbook is split up into sections such as, 'The Big Move', with pages for pictures from moving day, drawing favorite items in a moving box, identifying mode of transportation for the move, and more; 'Old Home', with activities focusing on the home being left behind; and 'New Home', focusing on the destination. The workbook also has a handy checklist with stress-reducing, kid-friendly exercises, a list of stories about moving, and relocation tips for kids. Find out more about Leah by visiting her education blog www.afterschoolplans.com, which she runs from Asuncion, Paraguay.



Bringing Up BRITS: Expat parents raising cross-cultural kids in Britain

Meghan Peterson Fenn

Live It Publishing

\$24.95, 168 pages

American expat Meghan Peterson Fenn shares her personal story of raising cross-cultural children in England with her British husband, Nick. *Bringing Up BRITS* presents the practical and emotional challenges that are inherent to raising a family within a combination of cultures and the struggles of holding onto your own identity while doing so. With intermittent quotes from fellow expats raising kids in Britain, the book speaks to those facing similar cultural differences, customs, traditions and identity questions, and provides a valuable insight into British culture from several different perspectives. Whether you were raised abroad, you are personally bringing up children abroad (or perhaps someday will), or perhaps know someone who is, this book offers an authentic glimpse into the good, bad, isolating, funny and honest side of

raising and parenting children in a different country. Find out more about Meghan and *Bringing Up BRITS* at www.bringingupbrits.co.uk.