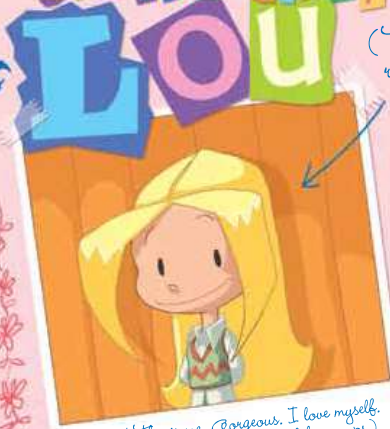


SECRET DIARY



Ta-da! This is me. Gorgeous. I love myself. (j/k. I've actually got a lot of hang-ups.)

(That's me) right here



for example, I think I'm too small for my age

This is the first time I've kept a diary. I don't know what to say... Do I have to start with "dear diary" or something like that? Or should I introduce the characters, like in a book? Yes, I'll do that...

ATTENTION, LOU'S MOTHER: "private" means you don't have permission to read this. So: PUT THIS DOWN RIGHTNOW!



or I'll make you eat your weight in brussels sprouts (STANKY) (URK)

more pics of me



Dumb girls who don't get it

I don't care what anybody thinks. I mock them in their silly uniforms.



Um... Here's proof that I'm MEGA SMALL!



QUEEN OF SHYNESS!



Someday soon, I'll be a playwright, director, and costumer. But for that, I'll have to get over this rotten shyness. It's gonna be tough!

I LOVE SHAKESPEARE!



(except his clothes) HA HA WEIRDO!



(Mom sticking her head in)



SUPER BLECH FACE!

Ticked off.

I love: CLOTHES

Scissors, thread, needle, and ta-da!



For example, here's a look inspired by PIRATES

I love clothes, but I'm not into fashion! Or dressing like everybody else. No thanks. So I create my own outfits.

But my secret passion is:

Theatre



I've successfully performed my opus "The Life and Death of a Vegetable" in front of the whole class.

(the SHAME) (nobody got it) (but I don't care)

OK, Here's my MOTHER



aka. Mom

STYLE: 0 OUT OF 20

Are there any eyes under that hair?

But all in all, she's pretty cool.



Mom, typical pose

Mina

MISS GROUCHY



What style!

So pretty!

Mina smiling! (very, very rare)



Jean-Luc was here

Jean-Luc, her weird dog with the stinky mouth...

Mom raised me on her own. So we're super close. But sometimes, she can be kind of a baby. She wears me out.

I've never met my father



but I'm doing OK!

MY MOTHER IS A BIG-TIME GAMER Last year she got me a game console for my b'day. Then she got hooked.



OKIDOKI!

(1UP)



Unfortunately, she does a lot of damage trying to cook.

MY BEST FRIEND!

(Love!)

GRONK!



Two wackos

YO, SISTAH!

My first meeting with Mina in kindergarten: BOPI



Mina wants to be a singer when she grows up. I'll do the choreography.

Love!

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