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## Too Close to the Falls: A Memoir (Paperback)

By Catherine Gildiner

HarperCollins Publishers, United Kingdom, 2003. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 196 x 128 mm. Language: N/A. Brand New Book. A prize-winning, best selling, rivetingly dark and funny memoir of a most unusual girl. It is the mid-1950s in Lewiston, a sleepy town near Niagara Falls, famous only for the invention of the cocktail. Divorce is unheard of, mothers wear high heels to the beauty salon, and television has only just arrived. But with no siblings to provide role models; a workaholic father chosen by most of her class as Lewiston's present-day saint; a mother who looks the part of the perfect 1950s housewife but refuses to play it ( We ate all of our dinners in restaurants. Our fridge contained only allergy serum, coke and maraschino cherries. Our oven was only turned on to dry wet mittens on the door and the only cooking smell I remember from my youth is that of burning wool ); and a gambling-obsessed best friend, Roy, who is thirty years older, perhaps it's hardly surprising that Cathy grows up a little eccentric. Especially considering that the family doctor's prescription for her hyperactivity is a full-time job in her father's pharmacy - at...



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