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                      homeschool their children constantly face judgmental questions about
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                      with an estimated 1.5 million American children now schooled at home.
                      These children are largely taught by stay-at-home mothers who find
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                      and maximize their relationships with their children, and that they
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                      years in order to savor the experience of motherhood. Home Is Where
                      the School Is is the first comprehensive look into the lives of
                      homeschooling mothers. Drawing on rich data collected through eight
                      years of fieldwork and dozens of in-depth interviews, Jennifer Lois
                      examines the intense effects of the emotional and temporal demands

that homeschooling places on mothers' lives, raising profound questions about the expectations of modern motherhood and the limits of parenting.