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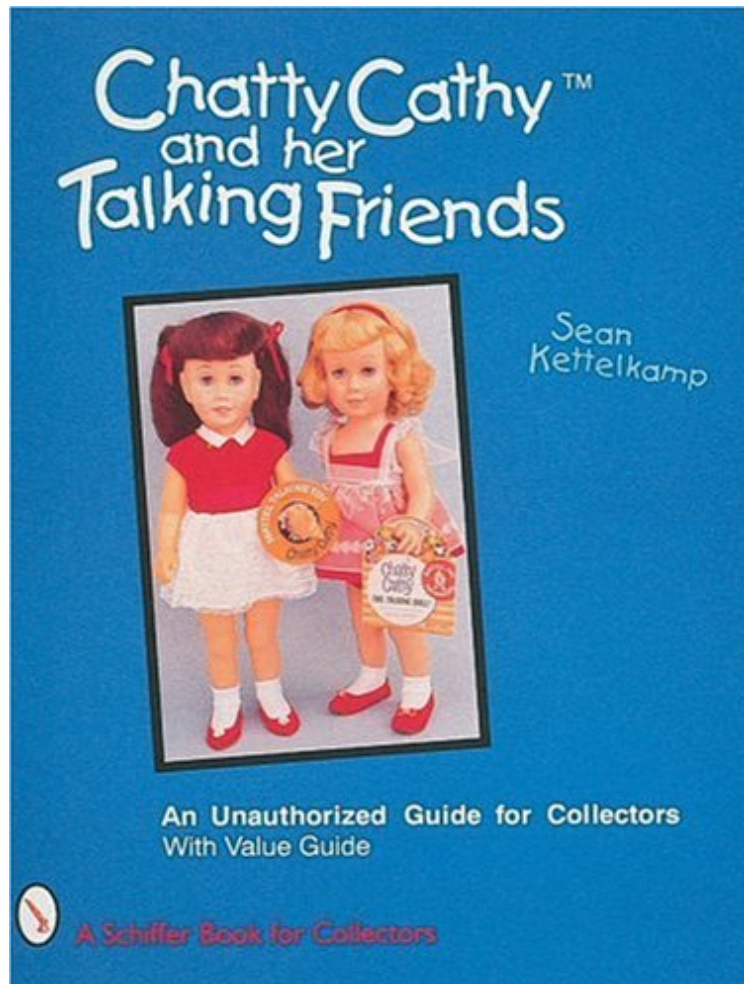
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## **Chatty Cathy and Her Talking Friends: An Unauthorized Guide for Collectors**

**Sean Kettelkamp : Chatty Cathy and Her Talking Friends: An Unauthorized Guide for Collectors** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Chatty Cathy and Her Talking Friends: An Unauthorized Guide for Collectors:

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. A nice PICTORIAL of talking dollsBy A CustomerThe photos in this book are big, clear and there are some very nice toys shown. Given the price of this book I sincerely thought it would be more thorough given the VAST amount of Mattel talking toys that were made. It is nice to have as an addition to one's collection. One thing that bothers me is that it is "An Unauthorized Guide for Collectors" which means that material gathered was done so without permission of Mattel and therefore may have some information errors. In addition to this book I encourage you to read "Chatty Cathy Dolls" and "Talking Toys of the 20th Century" by Don Kathy Lewis.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Chatty Cathy and Her Talking FriendsBy Mary

L. Arthur This is a great book! I did not know until receiving it that it is large, like a magazine. It has a lot of color photographs and interesting text. 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Good book! Surprised at the other stuff included. By A Customer I was thinking this book was just going to be about the Chatty Cathy family, but it also includes a historical time line of sorts of almost all of the talking (and some other) dolls that Mattel made. Very helpful in identifying talking Mattel dolls of the 60s and early 70s. The Chatty Cathy section includes some info not included in an earlier book. Fun to look at and informative

Chatty Cathy™ and Her Talking Friends, an unauthorized history of Mattel talking dolls, documents the famous dolls that were the rage of the 1960s. When you pulled the string they talked! They're all here in this first book devoted entirely to talking dolls-Chatty Cathy, Chatty Baby, Beany Boy, Matty, and Barbie, to name just a few. Read along year by year as Sean Kettelkamp lets you see for yourself why these dolls were so popular. Over 240 color photographs illustrate the adorable dolls, their clothing, accessories, even the talking mechanisms. You'll have great fun looking back at the era of talking dolls. This comprehensive book includes a value guide, making it an indispensable addition to a doll collector's library.

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