Dear Ms. Tara Dairman,

I am writing to you today about your work *All Four Stars*. I read this book when I was about 12 years old, and it revolutionized my view on one of my favorite hobbies: cooking. Cooking has held a very special place in my life and is a way that I can express myself. This book made me cherish the fact that my parents are good home cooks and that I have the luxury to cook on my own. When I cook, I feel that I can create something that people will like which makes me happy. The character, Gladys, that is highlighted in your book reminds me of myself which allowed me to dive deeper into the story and imagine myself in the situation. Your book changed my perception of cooking ranging from the recipes you explained to the detailed description of the food. Now I am considering the career of a food critic because of your book.

Your book also influenced my love of reading. I had read many books but didn't get very invested in them until *All Four Stars*. Your book influenced the genre choice I stick with now and the books that I want to read. Now I love reading books and try to set aside time to do so. This has made me a better scholar and changed my writing. I have now read this book to my little sister because I wanted her to have the same experience I had with your work at a young age. *All Four Stars* has changed my life in more ways than influencing a hobby and making an impact on my education; it also has made me cherish my family. I am so fortunate that I have been able to learn in the kitchen and practice the skills that Gladys was trying to carry out. This book will always hold a special place in my heart. Cooking is a rewarding task that makes me feel like I am providing for my family or myself. It's also a form of art since you are using technical and creative skills to make a masterpiece. I have a lot of fun experimenting with new

recipes which started when I read *All Four Stars*. This book inspired me to cook and bake more in order to follow my dreams. This book has made a huge difference in my life, and I will always remember its impact. *All Four Stars* influenced one of my favorite hobbies, made me cherish my family, and impacted my reading and writing for the future. Sincerely,

Madison