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FOR USE IN Academic institutions AND LIBRARIES ONLY. With his father MIA in the wake of appearance-altering plastic surgery, Joey must give up school to provide for his newborn brother and fill in for his mother, who hospitalizes herself to cope with a bad case of postpartum blues. The fifth and last book in the groundbreaking Joey Pigza series brings the much loved chronicle of thiswired, wacky, and amazing boy to a crescendo of chaos and craziness, as everything goes topsy-turvy for Joey simply as he starts to get his feet on the floor. As his difficulties mount, Joey discovers a key that could unlock the secrets to his father's whereabouts, a mystery that must definitely be solved before Joey may also hope that his damaged family might somehow keep coming back together-if only it generally does not pull him apart first.



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Not A Bubble Gum Book But Still Very Much Worthwhile I can understand why some might not such as this book. It does contain even more mature like styles (verbal abuse, divorce, abandonment, alcoholism, incidents, non-forgiveness, etc.). This publication might be helpful to a student who needs to know he/she isn't alone in their condition. Furthermore, from what I heard from additional parents I spoke to, it seems 4th grade is when kids are getting clued in on the even more ugly adult truths in life anyways. "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn", "Old Yeller" and "Conserving Shiloh" are three books that immediately come to mind that 4th graders read. My kid has ADHD. Like when the main personality, a boy with ADHD accidentally cuts off a girl's nose with scissors. This sums up the real triumph of Joey Pigza Swallowed the main element. This is a book that is fun to learn while being so much more. He also provides a hard time trying to discover that another kid might not always have all the benefits that he offers. This book has helped him on so many levels... and more importantly he loves it! So my advice is. The very best heartwarming book ever I like the funniness and the way the family is crazy I would suggest this to any grader from 4to8 I've 3 because it is not the greatest series but really was funny and heartwarming. if your child is very sensitive to injustice and the unfortunate real unpleasantness in life after that this book is not for them. Normally, I heartily recommend it. While not everything is OK items are look very good for Joey. The next publication in the series has the same theme. In addition, it has the message that in the end it really is you who are responsible for your actions regardless of the craziness in your daily life. You usually have the option to create good options in your life. I actually loved this when We read it myself I loved this when I browse it myself, and We used it simply because a read out loud for 5th grade Read 180 students and they loved it, too! Joey's life changes though with the come back of his mother, which in turn causes Joey's grandmother to leave.. This book is approximately a boy who acquired ADHD and my child totally related to that. Five Stars Funny book for in class read aloud! Joey's mother is an even more collectively person and is focused on trying to greatly help Joey get better.. Upon any kind of reflection Joey's decisions appear ridiculous, however the fact that Gantos could make the reader realize why Joey acts the way he does is definitely a large part of what makes this an excellent book. I know it sounds unbelievable but the author presents these topics in a lighthearted, upbeat, and even funny way so it is not as traumatic as you might otherwise think. It may be helpful to students/teachers who need to develop endurance and tolerance for students with special needs. This is the best book There is on ADHD that explains it well . Easy shopping and fast delivery. In addition they begged me to get the sequel, and we loved it as much as the first. A real page turner and not just for teens Come early july I was a "reading buddy" to a 7th grader who introduced me to this book. When my PTA gave me cash to invest on my classroom, I made a decision to buy the entire series of Joey books. This is the best book I've found on ADHD that explains it well to children. My son chose this for his middle college summer reading (there were 2 other options). I was extremely impressed by the issues raised and the fact that it had been written for teenagers. After reaching very cheap Joey is sent to a special school where Joey's desire to not act that way is met with individuals who can help him get better. But there is no doubt about any of it, I'm wired". Great Reserve for Reluctant Readers, Would Recommend for a 4th or 5th Grader The book came in great condition, I love reading this to my 5th graders to start out the school year. A great book to motivate kids who might not normally prefer to read. You can relate to Joey Pigza and even though I've read it often, I find myself laughing every time! Would recommend as something special to a 4th or 5th grader A joy to learn and a good indicate boot This was a book that touched me in lots of ways and I am quite happy to have read it. Joey can be an astute 5th grader, but he is still a 5th grader

and so sometimes there are just issues he doesn't understand, unlike other children's books where the children appear to be nothing short of clairvoyant. As he says to start out the book "At college they state I'm wired bad, or wired mad, or wired unfortunate, or wired glad, depending on my feeling and what teacher has ended up with me. It is well crafted and tells a robust story. Through Gantos' deft storytelling, with Joey acting as our narrator, we are quickly used into Joey's world. Far-fetched The book offers it's humorous points (I had to learn it for a grad school class) but what I DID NOT LIKE about any of it, was that despite it being fiction, it was so far-fetched at points that I came across myself rolling my eyes. Joey has, up until the time we met him, resided in a global punctuated by two things. The fact that he is a wired, or in other words suffering from an intense case of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, and a house life which involves a grandmother looking after Joey, whose parents are AWOL, who in her personal wired way is rather abusive towards Joey. They begged me to learn it daily, and hated when it was time to move to the lesson. It introduces parent abandonment (departing them with a grandparent) and learners with special needs. I have loved scanning this publication to second and third quality classes for the past 5 years. With Joey describing the situation, if the reader reads quickly plenty of, it is quite easy for Joey's ridiculous decisions to make feeling. There are kind, helpful adults who get in touch with connect with and help Joey. I ended up getting the entire series! And slowly, rather than without the occasional set back, Joey by using his case worker, "Special Ed", Joey is placed on medication that functions and he learns to make good decisions. The reserve ends with one of life's little triumphs as Joey is allowed to leave the Unique Education school and go back to his normal school. The author truly weaves an entertaining tale which has the underlining lesson of when lifestyle offers you lemons you make lemon-aide. Lots. The book manages to capture the tones of grey that are nearly always missing from children's book. Joey Pigza can be an extremely hyperactive 5th Grade boy. He also has an overly optimistic watch of life. Many thanks. Joey's world isn't one that most of us would like to become a part of for very long. He gets in big trouble. There were also things I thought had been inappropriate for kids to learn, like descriptions of the boys classmates who have disabilities that are so disparaging. I have no idea maybe I'm being too critical, but I just couldnt enter fully in to the story, and I'd by no means want children in my own class read the book. Funny Loved listening to this book with my 12 year previous son who's "wired". I have just purchased the next one in the series. We discovered it hilarious and it also emphasized to my son that it is alright to become different/not easily fit into a box! Five Stars super book Joey Pigza Swallowed the main element This was my son's summer reading assignment. This is a fun reserve to read... I recommend this book. Five Stars I learned so much in what it is prefer to be hyperactive. Five Stars Thumbs up! Might be an ideal Choice This story ventures in to the mind and homelife history of a boy with attention and hyperactivity issues. I have loved reading this publication to second and third quality classes . Awesome. The writer builds child humor into this tale while taking a genuine look at the techniques Joey and his Mother must try get him back to the regular classroom after an incident in which another college student is harmed. Nevertheless, Joey's ADHD causes him to get into ever more destructive circumstances that culminates in Joey accidentally maiming a girl's nasal area. Most of the kids that I show can relate with the character Joey..



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