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In this exceptionally touching memoir, critically acclaimed author Monica Holloway shares the extraordinary, deeply moving story of Cowboy, the golden retriever puppy who changed her son's life. And from the moment Cowboy enters their lives, Monica sees her child step a little farther into the world. Cowboy, a rambunctious golden retriever, is certainly overeager, affectionate, and impulsive. But while Wills diligently will the growing menagerie, what he really wants is normally a puppy. Wills is certainly cautious, fastidious, and irresistibly tenderhearted. Like all dynamic duos, Cowboy and Wills complement one another perfectly. And one Xmas, when Wills is normally six, Cowboy Carol Lawrence joins their family members. It's the initial in a string of impulsive excursions to your pet store to buy pets as a distraction from the uncontrollable, crushing fact of Wills's diagnosis. The day Monica learns that her lovable, brilliant three-year-old son, Wills, has autism spectrum disorder, she takes him to get an aquarium. Quickly, the boy who could barely say hi there to his classmates in kindergarten is posting tales of his new "sister" Cowboy during morning circle. For Monica, her husband, Michael, and their child, Wills, salvation came in the form of a puppy with pale blond fur, chocolate brown eyes, a fondness for chewing the crotch out of underpants, and a limitless capacity for like. With Cowboy, he discovers the courage to invite kids over for playdates, overcomes his debilitating fear of water to swim along beside her in the family members pool, and, after years of mild coaxing, Wills finally sleeps in his very own bed with Cowboy's paws draped across his small chest. Through everything, Cowboy is there, dragging him toward additional children, giving him the confidence to try new things and the courage to handle his worst fears. So when Cowboy turns out to need her fresh family just as much as they need her, they discover the amount of she has trained them -- about devotion, about loyalty, and about under no circumstances quitting. Sometimes it's everything you don't understand to expect that saves you. Children group around them at the recreation area, and instead of running away, Wills, holding Cowboy's leash in his sweaty fist, proudly answers all of their questions.



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It's unfair to gauge First, I think it's wrong for any of us to gauge whether Wills is autistic or not. It is such a great story of parents struggling to help their autistic son be able to function in real life. I bought this book because of one collection in the description. As it happens that, for me, it was misleading. brought tears to my eye as I browse this and mapped it to my very own experience with my son. Her son actually bonded with that dog and made great improvement.! Way too many variables to become accurate for my situation maybe.v. displays and movies about autism makes me feel just like I belong, that we're not different, that I'm not doing everything wrong, and that is what I wanted from this publication. It is a must read. Ideal for dog lovers I will state right off that after finishing this reserve, I had dreams of dogs for nights. For me, this story is about a family dealing with autism and how a dog could help modify their lives. It is an excellent look in autism through a Mom's eyes It is an excellent look at autism through a Mom's eyes. It reminded me that occasionally large strides can be made with patience and simple input. I did recognize most of the successes and failures they dealt with as being realistic rather than uncommon. I didn't think that the reserve was badly written, I've read very much worse. I did think it was a straightforward read that didn't need a lot of period.! I would hesitate to recommend it to a person who is really struggling financially and alone. Their frustration out of this story could quickly wash over the occasions captured in Monica's story that were universal and thought-provoking. That is most likely why I offered it only 3 celebrities. Yes, the mother/writer went on about herself as so many of the reviewers pointed out, nonetheless it was just as much her tale since it was Wills and Cowboy, even though many parts annoyed me, I also knew how she felt. I've a boy with autism and usually steer clear of books about any of it. Reading books, watching t. But this publication provides been on my list for a long time. I didn't love Generating With Dead People but believed I'd try this one. I will admit to being taken to tears, and it had been, oddly plenty of for me personally, an eye-opener in how I deal with my dog! No. In addition, it showed a fairly real picture of coping with a kid on the spectrum. I did so find myself trying too hard to complete the book. Maybe I want more suspense right now but it was an enjoyable read. WOW! WOW! When I completed it I wanted to meet the family and hug them. Just what a great story and touching. It had been center warming. As a solitary mother of a high functioning, autistic child I am always looking for a secure community, one where my parenting isn't judged, my son's behavior isn't judged, his diagnosis isn't judged. I would recommend it for some parents to examine. In fact it is a publication about how exactly animals and humans relate to one another. Something in the manner Ms. Holloway acquired to learn to accept certain behaviors from her boy produced me realize I was approaching my dog wrong, and if the publication hadn't touched me I don't believe I could have opened up to this side of it and noticed something about myself. Therefore, again, do not think I am producing light of the plight of an autistic spectrum child, but the interactions and romantic relationships in the reserve are what really struck home with me. Five Stars Very sweet story... good examine.. And Cowboy wasn't a \$10K support dog, she was "just" a pup who enjoyed her family. I will know better than to learn dog books, though. Love, kids, pet, and autism I cried happy tears scanning this sweet tale. Loved it! In addition, it educated me in a new way about autism. Heart warming and Amazing You come away from this publication with a smile and tears. Your autistic kids, while posting the same label are individuals, and to hold any one else to the same characteristics of someone we knew with autism is just wrong. Not making any evaluation to a human child or autistic kid, but my doggie has some anxiety problems and I noticed how impatient I could be about them even though he is hard-wired this way and it can be not really a choice or a learned response he exhibits. I felt it sometimes, and other instances the author's concentrate on her socio-economic status drove a wedge between us. good story. Good information on autism, also.. An excellent story... Am I sorry that I bought it?.



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