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Iris Grace is a lovely little girl who, from a very young age, barely communicated, avoided sociable interaction with other people, and rarely smiled. Inspiring and touching, Iris Grace follows the struggles and triumphs of a family typically regarded as therapy pets. Thula, called after one of Iris' Whether exploring, playing, sleeping, or going for a bath with Iris or accompanying the family on a bike trip, Thula became a lot more than a therapy cat. peace" in Zulu, immediately bonded with Iris. Thula understood right away how to assuage Iris when she became overstimulated; when to intervene when Iris became overwhelmed; safe and sound companionship, Iris started to talk and interact with her family's beloved African lullabies and meaning With Thula' and how exactly to provide distraction when Iris began heading toward a meltdown. This heartwarming story is illustrated with sixty of Iris's gorgeous impressionistic paintings, works of art which have allowed her to express herself since the age of three. because they learn to connect to an amazing child. With Thula by her side, she'll sit and paint for hours, and the results are stunning. 1 day, her mom brought home a Maine Coon kitten for Iris, despite the fact that cats aren' From both before her medical diagnosis of autism and after, she appeared trapped in her own world, unable to connect with those around her. A gifted artist, Iris sees the natural globe in a profoundly vivid and visceral way.



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What love can do What a great uplifting story! Iris is so lucky to have such great, innovative and supportive parents. It seemed rather fitting that my cat curled beside me during most of my reading. I didn't realize this reserve was a memoir, and a remarkable one at that. And one cannot fail to talk about Thula. This family members has a lot more incredible moments later on thanks to their endurance. It is therefore amazing how perceptive pets can be. Iris' artistic interpretations are astonishingly beautiful (photos throughout). The body language and energy they give and receive is almost imperceptible to all however the most gentle and observant humans. Thule you are everything to the family. And after scanning this story, I know I will have to have one of my very own someday, perhaps I will also name it Thula honoring this amazing friend. Finally, I knew next to nothing about what "about the spectrum" really meant. I knew a bit about autism, but nothing like what I have learned from this publication. I am overwhelmed at how much you have to give of yourselves to truly love, support and raise such a special, yet complicated child. You are amazing! No swearing. Parents of autistic kids will find support in the reading. I honestly don't believe I could have completed what you are really doing. I must say I believed the publication was even more about the cat nonetheless it wasn't. Deeply touching This story took me back to when my own child was identified as having autism more than twenty years ago. I cried many times to see Iris struggle with items we all neglect. Along with Thula, Iris is so lucky to have her mom constantly focusing on her behalf and constantly believing in her. I simply loved this book I just loved this book! Choose a secluded location and settle into a world you might have never understood about a precious little lady, her cat, and a devoted mom. I think I have a better grasp on how to behave around someone on the spectrum. God bless you!! As I reached the end I didn't want it to end. I'd want to learn about Iris and how she's doing today. A wonderful well crafted memoir, and clean on top of that! To all or any you parents living this route, I commend you. Arabella and PJ through their individual gifts enabled their child to feel convenience and reach beyond Autism. A Memoir This is a heartwarming memoir of a family coping with a child with autism from birth through her first five years. I found this book because the cover was adorable, but I started reading this book purely unintentionally. She was an ideal mother for Iris and all that she has done for her so she could grow to her full potential is certainly awe inspiring. That said, what a content mistake! However the parts with the cat had been extremely interesting. As I turned each web page I felt a part of each accomplishment. As hard as it could get, the love and happiness always seem to come out at the top! I treasured the story and also the beautiful paintings, photographs, and artwork. And by the same token, how lucky they are to have been blessed with such an extremely special angel. I would certainly recommend this book, especially for readers seeking to understand the autism spectrum. Maximizing Autistic Lifestyles Patience, creativity, and love by Iris Grace's parents, especially her mom is mesmerizing to learn about. Amazing Book Iris Grace and her life will be the most endearing story of love, hope and accomplishment. They seem to know instinctively what is needed, perhaps because that is how they communicate with one another- being totally alert to everything around them. I learned so very much about autism that I under no circumstances knew. Unbelievably compelling. The evolution of how she molded her child to cope with her quiet world of unknowns is certainly absorbing.! Big thumbs up! It's amazing how some animals are in tune with people and will help them. I've met several Maine coon kiggies (kitty/dog) and they truly are exclusive. The bond between Iris and her cat is normally amazing and heartwarming. I got never before heard about a cat who acted like a therapy animal. Autism Story This book book taught me a good deal about autism. It spent much of its subje ct matter on that behavior association with the connected with that illness. Additionally it is interesting how she describes the behavior . I learned so much. Job done well! Very educational. A Mothers Love What can I say concerning this book that We so loved. It had been an motivation and affirmation of a mother's love on her behalf child. She is the perfect mother one I would hope most of us could learn from. My finger clicked onto this publication instead of the one beside it in my Kindle library! Would like to hear more about Iris as she grows. That you once again for a year amazing book! Stunningly beautiful book and story Very compelling and wonderfully written Engaging/uplifting An ideal tool to increasing knowledge of. And it helped Both love and courage beyond all limits First, i want to wipe the tears. This Maine Coon stayed near Iris showing her comfort through her quiet caring ways. Just what a miracle. Wonderful, Inspiring Story! This is a beautiful true story of the down sides of having Autism and of raising a child who has Autism. Center wrenching and heart warming.of the cat. Excellent resource This book provides insight into the world of parenting,

helping and loving an autistic child. The fears, struggles, joys, gains, frustrations and insights are therefore true and made therefore real in the reading. It is obviously very difficult, however the triumphs are worth so much more. Other parents should gain respect for these parents. Absolutely great Fabulous story. This Mother is certainly amazing with her ideas and teaching her child. Just what a very blessed child. Makes me wish to teach very much the same! A really inspiring story This true story about Iris Grace, just a little girl with autism who retreated to an environment of her own, as may be the case with most autistic children. This book detailed how her parents, mainly her mother, caused her daily, by using close friends and volunteers, to form her behavior, or sort of program her brain in a way to make movements and responses to stimulation even more of what a normal kid would encounter. Thule, the Maine Coon cat was certainly an enormous influence in the way she instinctively appeared to interact with Iris Grace, nonetheless it was a method into the reserve that she was launched. I came away with the sensation that her mom did far more to influence her daughter's behavior and break through some of the barriers that aren't completely understood. What I examine was the story of a tireless mother who had the time, will, hope and resources to spend almost all of her time with this kid, performing everything she could to make things better. Her father was involved too, of course, nonetheless it was her mom who was there throughout the day when her father was working. If you ask me it was a tale of seemingly tireless dedication, love and wish. Autism. This reserve gives an insight into autism through the lives of a beautiful child and her remarkable family. The love and caring for Iris goes beyond what numerous others have the strength to perform. She certainly lives up to her name!



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