

The background of the book cover is a photograph of a minimalist interior. It features a plain, light-colored wall and a dark, textured floor. On the right side, a portion of a wooden chair with a simple, modern design is visible. The overall aesthetic is clean and contemplative.

IT'S OK THAT YOU'RE NOT OK

Meeting Grief and Loss
in a Culture That
Doesn't Understand

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As seen in How to help individuals you love— READER' In this compelling and heartfelt book, you'• re Not Okay is a book to get grieving people, those who love them, and all those seeking to love themselves— HEALTH • HUFFPOST Grief is merely love in its most crazy and painful form,”s RADIO Instances and WISCONSIN Community RADIO Whenever a painful loss or life-shattering event upends your globe, here is the first thing to learn: you'll find nothing wrong with grief. “Featured on NPR' says Megan Devine.we can accept grief as a mystery to become honored instead of a problem to resolve •It is a natural and sane response to reduction. She debunks the culturally prescribed goal of time for a normal, “ solve”• In It's Okay That You're Not OK, Megan Devine offers a profound new method of both the connection with grief and just how we make an effort to help others who possess endured tragedy. Having experienced grief from both sides—as both a therapist so when a woman who witnessed the accidental drowning of her beloved partner—Megan writes with deep insight about the unspoken truths of loss, love, and healing.”eliminating stages, timetables, and unrealistic ideals about how exactly grief ought to unfold—and each other—S DIGEST ll learn: • Why well-meaning tips, therapy, and spiritual wisdom frequently end up making it harder for folks in grief • How demanding the myths of grief—happy” “ Practical guidance for managing tension, improving rest, and decreasing nervousness without attempting to “fix” your pain •THE BRAND NEW YORK TIMES with essays to teach us the best abilities, checklists, and ideas for helping and comforting others through the grieving procedure Many people who have experienced a reduction feel judged, dismissed, and misunderstood by way of a culture that really wants to “ Therefore, how come our culture deal with grief like a disease to be cured as quickly as possible? grief. Megan writes, “Grief no more requires a solution than like needs a solution.s OK That You' Through stories, research, life ideas, and innovative and mindfulness-based methods, she offers a distinctive guide through an experience we all must face—It' in our personal lives, in the lives of these we like, and in the wider globe.”SPIRITUALITY & lifestyle, changing it with a much healthier middle route, one which invites us to build a lifestyle alongside grief rather than seeking to overcome it.better.



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. The desk of contents is clearly labeled and well-organized so that visitors can quickly identify which pages to read to better understand and respond to a particular need or knowledge.) She adeptly explains the model's ideas in lay terms, provides numerous examples for better understanding, and recommends useful exercises that one can use to help recognize and manage the effect of grief. I've been gifted, loaned and bought many grief books in both years since my boy died. I can honestly say that none of these texts resonated with me and the truth of my grief knowledge a lot more than Megan Devine's fresh book. She actually is a credible source of useful information, bringing not merely her educational and occupational background to bear but more importantly her own life knowledge with deep loss and a broken tradition. Above all, she is a truth teller and an advocate you'll want in your grief space. The wonder of this book is the universal insights it offers for EVERYONE who offers experienced deep grief or desires to genuinely support another within their loss.com, are powerful equipment for navigating your grief scenery with love and understanding. death, incident, illness, etc. a reserve about grief and reduction for EVERYONE! I have just started reading this book as it was recommended if you ask me by another grieving mother. I found Megan's work validating and thought-provoking, specifically concepts such as for example her broader definition of "early grief", common platitudes (and just why I feel their adverse affect), the critical distinction between discomfort and struggling (and how to minimize latter), grief as an experiment rather than issue to be solved, and the vital role of acknowledgment and companionship in creating a way forward. There is a subsequent section on learning how exactly to live with this reduction. I'd recommend reading this book if you or a loved one are in the midst of deep grief and looking for validation, guidance, and honesty in a post-loss world. This reserve, and specifically the associated resources offered by [refugeingrief](#). The author outlines a refreshing undertake grief for the reader's factor, one where acknowledgment and a desire to like better are critical components in supporting ourselves and each other following a significant loss (ie..... Best time and energy to read this book is before you need it. This is actually the book I wish I had read when I was writing a sympathy card and straining to determine what to say to make it better (nothing will make it better), or when someone spoke in regards to a horrible loss and I thought I was on the spot to say something to greatly help the person get nearer to closure (there is absolutely no closure). This is the book I wish I had read before my partner died, and person after person heaped misguided platitudes and unsolicited advice, and the world demanded words when I had none. The optimum time to learn this book is before you will need it - chapter 9 details why, entering detail about how exactly grief alters your brain - throws us into a wordless place, obliterates concentration, alters experiences of memory and sense of time, and viscerally commands a fresh perspective on what counts. It can take years to understand a new regular. Each chapter is brief, each sentence to the point.. This book has given me a better appreciation of the non-negotiable demands grieving places on mind and body. I forget about the misplaced effort to hurry myself or others through "recovery" or toward a "completion" that can never be, and today understand how to be there with unbearable discomfort and unfixable horror. Help Presents for friends Zero Should's No Shouldn'ts, Zero Platitudes. (Neither were the reason I bought the book, individually. She's not angry, she's natural, honest, &) Her own private worthy death was the unexpected lack of her husband in his past due thirties. how most grief assets she had at that time didn't help her with her profound loss. I've followed her site, Refuge In Grief for more than a year or more now. I have had a lot of profound losses in my own life - friends, family, & If you are grieving, it will validate your emotions. I'm going to lose my father. I am reading this today, & it's helping me with all of it present & I am impressed by how accurate and understanding the writer is. It could not be considered a perfect fit for everyone, as everyone grieves in a different way but I know Megan can be out to help people in deep discomfort who feel misunderstood & only with this fat. It's okay to become devastated and there is absolutely no timeline on grief. I'm glad the reserve is out there, I've gifted it for some friends & family members that I hope it will resonate with &

help. and Personally i think less scared to carry what can feel like the awkward grief of another person Handling loss is an inevitable part of lifestyle, yet our cultural and public norms fail badly to equip us in this area. It's Ok That You're Not Ok ought to be required reading for all of us to learn how to handle this part of existence. lonely.. The types of unworthy losses are household pets and grandparents. I disagree with other people who express that Megan is giving off a tone of anger. direct concerning how this reduction affected her & We have been always and permanently crying inside and hearing their titles allows us to know they're not really forgotten. Good Informative Worth it Delivered to my sister after my mothers passing. She enjoyed it . Very useful best book that I've found for grief Grief is such a strange property..Finally . A location you under no circumstances want to go. The book is great in many ways The book is great in many ways, but I acquired quite turned off early on when she ranks deaths and makes it clear there are even more worth prolonged grief than others. I would recommend this book to everyone who has either known anyone who has experienced a loss or lost a loved one themselves. The crazy declare that you are in can be scary.. While I haven't experienced an out of order death myself, I found the info in the book to be immensely helpful, and I feel less scared to carry what can feel just like the awkward grief of someone else. and this has made all the difference in my own post-loss landscape. Unless you buy this book (although I recommend you do), make sure you remember this: do not present platitudes or advice. therefore foreign. & most people don't get how you feel.. It's permission to grieve in your way and in your time and effort .. I never did until I lost my hubby... And I thought that I comprehended it from coping with my sufferers and the loss of life of both of my parents.... but I was SO wrong therefore blindsided. When my healthful, vibrant husband died of a human brain tumor 5 weeks after diagnosis, my globe blew up. That chapter alone is worth the price of the book... This is simply not god's plan and it did NOT happen for grounds. She offers suggestions that help reduce the struggling without dismissing the pain. Very good book, particularly when dealing with the total unexpected reduction of someone you care about! This book met me where I am Megan Devine tells the reality about grief. She understands it, having experienced it herself. It was good to learn about grief that doesn't challenge you to conquer it or get through it, but to integrate it into your life. It had been also a alleviation that there were no external happily ever after solutions, as if getting remarried in 2 years was a panacea to one's loss. It's helped me understand my very own grief and to understand that I am not crazy! She also has a chapter about being truly a friend to anyone who has experienced a death of a loved one. So, quite simply, this publication helped me feel comprehended. but you don't get a choice. Wow - Buy this Book! The estimates from her writing students are especially relevant and poignant. past discomfort. other people in my own life. Your world Offers crashed down, and there is nothing you or other people can do. Her intent is true. One of my favorite sections may be the appendix, an essay on assisting a grieving friend, that provides carefully-crafted and readily shareable ground rules for supporting someone you care about. If you're a friend or family member of someone who is grieving, that is a must read for you as well. It shows very clearly how to support your beloved without minimizing or attempting to "fix" things, activities which (though done out of like) make factors so much worse and alienate the person.. Very good book in understanding grief the truth is! Just listen, tell them you're here for them, and state the deceased person's name to them. Don't be afraid to take it up, even if it makes them cry. If you ask me, the intensity of the loss has more to do with the meaning the loss had to the individual, not really how nonnormative it really is. It's okay to state you don't know very well what to say. This book is a significant help.



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