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Bookmarks Are People Too! #1 (Here's Hank)



Synopsis

Hank stars the same Hank as in the bestselling Hank Zipzer series, only this time he's in 2nd grade! Hank is a kid who doesn't try to be funny, but he somehow always makes the kids in his class laugh. He's pretty bad at memorizing stuff, and spelling is his worst subject. (But so are math and reading!) In the first book in this new series, Hank's class is putting on a play, and Hank wants the lead part: Aqua Fly. But he freezes in his audition and can only buzz like a fly. His teacher creates a special part for Hank, a silent bookmark. This may seem like an insignificant role, but when his enemy, Nick McKelty, freezes during the performance, it's up to Hank to save the play!

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 8 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

Customer Reviews

Gr 1-3 — Set two years before the first Hank Zipzer books (Penguin), this prequel tells the story of how Frankie, Ashley, and Hank came to be friends and introduces readers to Hank's family, neighbors, and classmates. As in the original series, Hank's impulsiveness, disorganization, and penchant for jokes get him into hot water. Only in the second grade, his learning difficulties have not yet been diagnosed, and he struggles with feeling like his brain is full of "soggy oatmeal." The book is set in a typeface Hank would appreciate: it was specifically designed

to help readers with dyslexia differentiate letters. The plot and tone, as well as the short sentences, brief chapters, wide margins, and frequent spot art are typical of other early chapter book series. Give this to readers who enjoy the "Horrible Harry" and "George Brown, Class Clown" (both, Penguin) series. --Sarah Stone, San Francisco Public Library --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This new Hank Zipzer series is a prequel, placing our old pal Hank in the second grade. Hank, who has a bit of trouble focusing and a lot of trouble reading and memorizing, learns that his class will perform a play for their parents. Despite help from friends Frankie and Ashley, Hank fails the audition, losing out to tough classmate Nick. Ms. Flowers, Hank's teacher, recognizes that he tried, and she rewards him with a special nonspeaking part: a bookmark. Teased by Nick, Hank learns to buffer the negativity with humor. In the end, Hank embraces his role, and when the play is presented, guess who saves the day? This first installment in a promising series presents children's unfiltered observations and captures the personalities and perspectives of second-graders. It is filled with laugh lines based on literal understanding and use of language. An added bonus is the Dyslexie font, which was created for persons with dyslexia but helps many other young readers in distinguishing letters and words, too. Grades 1-3. --Jeanne Fredriksen --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This a wonderful, creative story that touches on the struggles of a child with dyslexia. As a child with dyslexia is much more than his disability, this amusing tale bring this to light with a clever plot and a satisfying twist at the end. As a reading teacher who specializes with this population, I love finding new books to share with my students. I especially like the caring, supportive attitude shown to Hank by his classmates. They and his teacher help him feel an integral part of the classroom and an important cog in the whole educational experience.

This is a great chapter series for beginning to moderate readers. My 3rd grade daughter is always looking for chapter books that keep her interested and that are not too advanced for her AR testing. She (and I) find Hank so sweet and enduring. She really relates to his struggles and always trying to fit in. I highly recommend them!

I have a son that is very behind in reading and finds it tough to focus with his ADHD. I bought these books knowing that i would read them to him but he likes the idea that hank isnt always the smartest

but can still do things great. I didnt know about the books until i saw a video on henry winkler and i just had to buy them. I bought every book in the heres hank line and even pre ordered the new one. My son loves it when i sit and read to him and if we had the time he would probally have me read it all at once. I feel like its very uplifting to kids that are struggling but i also feel that reading these to any kids would teach them to accept others who are different. I have already recomended these books to a few friends and they love them just as much as we do.

Loved this book! My reluctant second grade reader with ADHD finally finished a full chapter book on his own. He needed a book for a cereal box book report and this was a winner. Once he got into the story he was hooked. No fight to get him to read it. He is asking for the next three books in the series and is even willing to do another report. That alone speaks volumes for our experience with this book:) Enjoy!

A wonderful book! Funny and enjoyable for the whole family. Even our Grandpa loved it! The book is well written. Shows nice character development and an interesting story line. I especially appreciated it because it is a book in which the main character does not like to read books. I think many school age children will be able to relate and maybe even get turned on to reading!

I really like this book. One of my sons struggles with his reading and can lose interest because of it as well. He actually likes to read about Hank and is getting the message too. The formatting of the text is different from other books to help with reading issues and has helped my son who is 9 as well. Very good book with a solid message and seriously people its written by the Fonz!

This was a fun read for my 7 year old son, we both enjoyed reading it together. I will have to purchase him the next book in the series.

These books are amazing! My 8 year old son is dyslexic and he actually enjoys reading these books! The stories are interesting, the special font and spacing make a difference and since the books are on the longer side- he feels super accomplished when he finishes one. I have purchased the whole series and think I am going to purchase a second set to donate to his school.

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