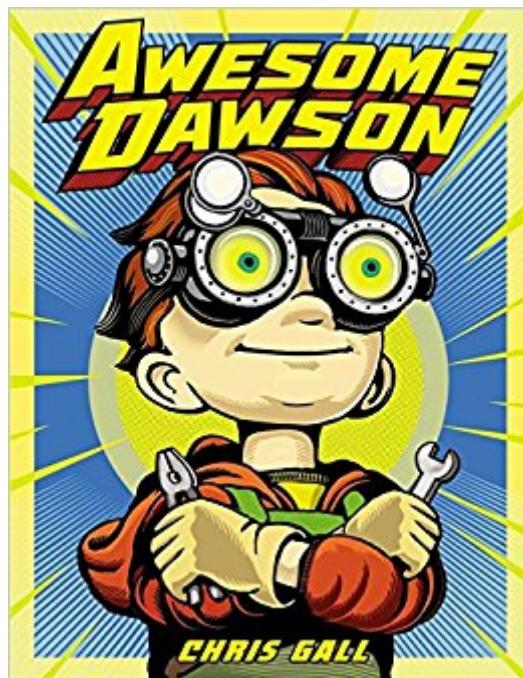


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Awesome Dawson



Synopsis

EVERYTHING CAN BE USED AGAIN! That's Dawson's motto. He collects junk that people throw away and turns it into something STUPENDOUS. But when Dawson uses his skills to create a machine to do his chores for him, he discovers he might have invented something a little too... AWESOME. Can he stop the rampaging robot before it destroys the entire town? Chris Gall inspires kids to reuse, repurpose, and recycle in this inventive adventure about a boy superhero who turns trash into treasures--and saves the world while he's at it!

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

PreS-Gr 2-Readers first see Awesome Dawson in his bedroom, which is tricked out with a variety of homemade furniture and toys, captioned with word balloons indicating the materials used for each item. Declaring that "EVERYTHING can be used again," the young inventor descends into his underground workshop to do his thing, but is interrupted by his mom reminding him of his chores. He decides to invent a robot that will do them for him. He connects a rake, broom, watering can, pool hose, and gum-ball machine to an old vacuum cleaner to create the Vacu-Maniac. Unfortunately, he used cat food for the creature's brain, and it now has an insatiable appetite. It sucks up everything in sight, growing bigger until it explodes through the ceiling and starts to attack the town. He goes after it with his rubber-band-powered airplane and with the help of his friend, a

talking cow toy, manages to defeat the monster. Like all good superheroes, Awesome Dawson pledges to use his recycling talents only for the good of humankind (and to help with chores). Gall's comic-book-style art was made by engraving on ink-coated clay board and using a wireless drawing tablet and Adobe software to add the bold colors. This technique suits the action of the outrageous story. Aspiring young inventors will enjoy identifying the assorted thingamabobs strewn throughout the pages and will wonder how they can get a talking cow of their own. A rollicking read.-Martha Simpson, Stratford Library Association, CT (c) Copyright 2013. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

Dawson is a repurposer extraordinaire. He collects all manner of junk and pieces together tools and toys from suburban detritus (roller skates, a bedsheet, and a crate, for instance, combine into a fun way to get to school). With his trusted companion, Mooey, a talking cow head with interchangeable bodies, he undertakes his biggest project to date: a giant, chore-doing robot called the Vacu-Maniac. True to his name, the robot soon goes out of control, sucking up everything in his path and growing bigger with each accumulation. By implanting Mooey in the robot's head, Dawson is able to save the day. Gall's busy, saturated spreads combine hand-scratched clay board with digital colorization, resulting in vibrant imagery that is both slick and homespun, like Dawson's own creations. Paneled composition and word-balloon dialogue lend a graphic feel, with glossary labels identifying all the bits and pieces of Dawson's creativity. Superheroes, recyclers, and inventors unite! Grades K-2. --Thom Barthelmess

I bought this because I like Chris Gall's Dinotrux series. I also loved his book "Dog Vs. Cat." This one had an interesting story but was a bit difficult for my four-year-old to understand. Maybe it should have been a bit longer and is too condensed for the story line it is attempting to convey.

Purchased for my 4 yr. old grandson and was afraid he was to young for the story but he really gets it. Has become his second favorite book after 'Dinotrux'.

My 5 yr old loves it! Thinks it's pretty cool that Dawson is able to build and create neat inventions. My 5 yr old got a kick out of Dawson's "best friend".

Dinotrux and substitute creature are far superior to this one.

My 4 year old grandson loves the book.

love this adorable book

Super cute. My son doesn't see much with his name on it.

love it

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