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How To Eat Fried Worms



Synopsis

Fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, The Worst Class Trip Ever, and the Tapper Twins series "will revolt and delight" in How to Eat Fried Worms. Because of a bet, Billy is in the uncomfortable position of having to eat fifteen worms in fifteen days. The worms are supplied by his opponent, whose motto is "The bigger and juicier, the better!" At first Billy's problem is whether or not he can swallow the worm placed before him, even with a choice of condiments from peanut butter to horseradish. But later it looks as if Billy will win, and the challenge becomes getting to the worm to eat it. Billy's family, after checking with the doctor, takes everything in stride. They even help Billy through his gastronomic ordeal, which twists and turns with each new day, leaving the outcome of the bet continually in doubt. This edition also includes an eight-page full color insert with photos from the movie! Praise for How to Eat Fried Worms: [STAR] "The clear writing, clever illustrations, and revolting subject matter are sure to make a hit." •School Library Journal, Starred Review "A hilarious story that will revolt and delight....Colorful, original writing in a much-needed comic vein." •Booklist "Rockwell's sensibilities (if that's the word) are so uncannily close to those of the average ten-year-old boy that one begins to admire Billy as a really sharp operator." •Kirkus Reviews

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Customer Reviews

How to Eat Fried Worms has happily repulsed children since its original publication in 1973. Now youngsters can experience this classic story in a whole new yucky way, by listening to it on audiocassette. Narrator Jay O. Sanders gives extra kick and vitality to this already lively yarn. He throws himself into the role of a 10-year-old boy, facing the most revolting bet of his life. Billy must eat 15 worms in 15 days--but the reward will be worth it: \$50 for a shiny new minibike. Luckily, Billy's friends cook up these fat juicy grubs in a variety of appetizing ways--drenched in ketchup and mustard, fried in butter and cornmeal, and the pièce de résistance, a Whizband Worm Delight (an ice-cream worm cake). Sanders derives obvious pleasure from reading (and singing) out loud the hilarious rhymes and childish chants concocted from the mind of the book's author, Thomas Rockwell. "Trout, Salmon, flounder, perch, I'll ride my minibike into church. Dace, tuna, haddock, trout, Wait'll you hear the minister shout." How to Eat Fried Worms is a ghastly gastronomical treat that will dazzle young listeners. (Running time: two hours, two cassettes) --Naomi Gesinger --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grade 4-7-The story of Billy who, because of a bet, is in the uncomfortable position of having to eat 15 worms in 15 days.Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

How to Eat Fried WormsWe bought the audio book which was well done. This book presented several opportunities to discuss relationship issues with my 8 year old boy. The boy in the story is prodded into doing gross things by his friends. In this story it's eating worms. It's gross, but by the end the boy grows accustomed to it and so did we, strangely enough. In the end the boys learn the lessons of prodding others to do risky things, making bets and paying their debts. How to tell real friends from those who would try to trick you or undermine you. There are lots of funny parts. The worm eating boy is sharp and even tho the other boys try to trick him he catches on to it and is able to succeed. His parents even help him as long as they know it won't harm him. At one point things go too far and his father calls the bet off even tho he only has one more worm to go. He has to defy his father to finish what he started and win the bet. The friends who help him are true friends. It's a really good story with some really good lessons, I highly recommend it.

My son really enjoyed the book and as a bonafide picky eater, I think it was pretty eye-opening for him as well. He's actually relented slightly into trying out new foods and I think he's really just

bracing himself for just in case we throw in some new proteins for him to try, inspired by the book. Still a childhood favorite apparently.

I was afraid that I was pushing my first grade son too fast to introduce him to this book, but it has really captured his interest and drawn him in. What more could a parent ask for?

This book came to me before the scheduled delivery date, and it came in excellent condition. I would order from this company again. This is a very funny book. My students enjoyed this book very much. After reading the book, we viewed the video. Because of the PG rating, I had students bring parent signed permission forms to me so each student could view the movie as a class. We read the book as a read-a-loud, developed an entire unit based on this book, then we viewed the movie. The book and the movie are a little different, but both are fun. As a teacher, I liked the book best, of course the students liked the movie best. You can find a lot of activities via the internet to help you plan a unit around this book. This was a fun unit to end the school year with in our reading class. We even made and ate fried worms. (Yummy) Your students will love this book, movie, and all of the activities that go along with this book on the internet.

I bought this for my nine year old son. He is reluctant to read/watch/use anything I recommend, but I know if he starts this book he will not be able to put it down. It is a freaking classic! Prompt shipping, great price.

My 9 year old really loved this book. He read it very fast and we both thought it was an interesting fun read.

What a great story! I loved this book as a kid and have enjoyed reading it to our 4 children. My boys especially enjoyed it! It is very engaging!

My second grade sons enjoyed reading this book and then watching the movie. It is a classic that I read when I was little too. Cheaper on than at Target or book store

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