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Warning: Everyone says this book stinks! Hold your nose for this hilarious story about a young boy's search for why his book smells so bad....

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Ivana - Diary of Difference says

Sigfried's Smelly Socks! is an illustration book for children that focuses on describing the smell of dirty socks at its fullest. Whilst I have mixed feelings as to how disgusting this subject is, I quite liked the bright-coloured illustrations.

I strongly believe that children are meant to love this book - it is full of wittiness and it made me giggle a few times, when the author describes how different coloured socks smell differently, and all so awful.

This book has a tendency to make you imagine the smells in your mind while reading and watching the illustrations. It can even make you feel like you could actually smell them in the room. Lovely description, though some parts might be too hard to be understood by the younger audience:

But nothing compares to the other smell that burns the hairs on my head.

While we discuss the subject of how the book focuses on dirty socks and some people might find it unbearable - I would point to the fact that this book is a perfect masterpiece in reminding the little cute monsters that they need to keep their socks (and their hygiene in general) neat and clean. It is a great moral and life lesson through a very funny story told by the silly Sigfried, who seems to notice all the rotten smells that surround him.

Lovely read, and a lovely told story in a witty way. This book deserved a **4 out of 5 stars** , for the sole reason of this book maybe being too rich in the vocabulary for the audience it wants to reach.

Jasmine from How Useful It Is says

Read this book with my son for bedtime twice. In this book, the author speaks to readers. The book mentioned about the pages being used to wipe the baby's bottom after she dirtied her diaper and more. We had a good laugh. My son loves the illustrations. We haven't read another smelly book quite like this one. This book brings forth all the stinky things: rotten banana, last year's chewing gum, dog's pee, etc.. and the illustrations is big and in your face. Any kids need cheering up, this book is it! I highly recommend this book for a fun read. Got this ebook through amazon.

Shweta says

A kid would enjoy this.

Barbara Ann says

This book focuses on gross smells. Sigfried, the young protagonist, can best be described as a slob in everything he does. This rhyming book tells the story of the disgusting smells in his life. It will appeal to

young boys who enjoy "grossing others out." Adults probably won't find it that amusing. I would recommend a read through before reading to children.

The book is in need of some editing; the rhymes are not always in sync. Illustrations are simple and cartoon-like. If you have a child who adores bathroom humor, he might enjoy this book.

Michel Gallegos says

I just don't think this book adds to a child's reading ability. It isn't even silly, just disgusting. That being said, however, I have yet to read it to my library students. I may have to change my review if they like it (though I really don't think they will).

Fuzaila says

[I'm proud of it ? (hide spoiler)]

Alexandra says

At first I thought this book might be ok, although nothing special. Considering the fact that it's currently free for the Kindle version, and how the picture book crew can go through books, ok can be ok.

I certainly can appreciate the fun factor of a good gross out for children. I gave a book about a poop fountain a glowing review: The Qwikpick Papers: Poop Fountain!. So, I'm not adverse to a bit of stinky, messy, fun.

But, I advise giving this one a skip. The text is nothing special, in fact I find it problematic in a couple ways - first, it lists a bunch of smelly, messy things that have been done to "this book":

"Perhaps it was the rotten banana that I left on the page right here." and "The yellow stain on this page is where my naughty dog Oscar PEED."

At an age where parents still may be working on teaching their children not to draw on the pages of a book, or rip the pages out, or various other book damaging things the very young can be prone to, I'm not sure this book is sending a good message.

At the end the book also shows a boy putting soap into a toilet to wash his dirty socks, and then the boy jumps in the toilet himself.

Again, not a message I think we want to be giving the target audience of picture books.

The art is an odd, and often unappealing, mix of drawing and photos of real objects.

Overall, even for free I say give this one a pass.

Ayah says

Sigfried Smelly Socks: A gross, funny read for young children.

Sigfried Smelly Socks is a Children's Picture book that is written by Len Foley, and published by New Horizon Health, Inc. It is a very short picture story about stinky smells, that is written for very young children. Sigfried, the main character, talks to the reader through out the entire book about a lot of gross smells. This book is a funny, silly read that adults can enjoy reading it to their children and grandchildren. I really liked how the author dedicated this book to two children, Becky and Sofia, whose never ending pile of socks inspired her story.

First, I want to talk about the illustrations in this book. I loved the colors and creativity that went into creating these illustrations. The bright, vibrant colors used, and the real images added through out the pages, created what I would like to call “The perfect formula” for illustrations in children’s books. The book was written and illustrated by the same person, Len Foley. This fact in its own, makes appreciate the work that went into making this book even more.

Second, I want to discuss the storyline. The main character, Sigfried, is talking to the reader throughout the entire book, which is something that i found to be very interesting. He takes you through the very same book that you are currently reading, and explains why it smells gross. From the rotten banana that he left on a page of this book, to his dog’s pee, Sigfried takes you on a sensory rollercoaster. A rollercoaster of stinky smells and gross stains. Also, SOCKS! Lots and lots of patterned and colored socks, and each one has its own unique gross smell.

Here is what I liked about this picture book. It was a very funny, weird, stinky read. The Illustrations were very creative and colorful. I absolutely loved it. When the story rhymed, it was very entertaining & puny!

Finally but not least, here is what I didn’t like. A rhyming book that doesn’t rhythm half of the time. Also, parents would find it a bit problematic if their kids are already a bit naughty. Why? Because the kids might want to try out some of these things in real life, so I highly recommend that the parents read it alone before reading it for their kids. This is why I am giving this book 3 out 4 stars.

I received a review copy from “online book club” in exchange with an honest review.

Sahani Perera says

A humorous read composed with vivid colors. Parents may get concern when it comes to the lesson on cleanliness.

Julie says

yuck

This was a read aloud for my youngest. What a gross book. If you don't mind a book about wiping dirty butts and snot on the pages of a book, amongst other gems, knock yourself out. As for myself, I'll take a pass.

Pooja says

This is a book for children aged between 3-6 years old or anyone who does not like to wash their socks and need to check on the reality.

Ann says

Just gross

not a good example for kids and gross for parents. I received it for free but I wouldn't recommend it even for that price.

Stacey says

Rhyming story about all the smelly things that can stink. I did not find any learning value to the book. Even when the boy decides he needs to wash his socks and book he does so in a toilet. That is not a habit I want to teach children. As some other readers have pointed out the story is simply 'gross.'

Ursula says

Quite fun! I laughed out loud through the whole thing. :)

Montzalee Wittmann says

Very cute and smelly story!

The pictures are so fun and cute! The story is in rhymes and talks about what is stinky...he finds his socks and describes them. Very funny for kids! I just love the art! What a hoot!
