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Brother and Sister Bear both like to be the best—the best soccer player, the best student, the best artist. But when Gramps overhears the cubs bickering about who can see the most unusual cloud formations he puts a stop to the arguing. Being proud of a special talent from God is one thing, but bragging about it is foolish.

## **The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag Details**

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## **From Reader Review The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag for online ebook**

### **Jalynn Patterson says**

#### **About the Book:**

In this newest Berenstain Bears Living Lights 8x8 book, The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag, Grizzly Gramps teaches Brother and Sister a valuable lesson about bragging and boasting.

When he happens to overhear the cubs bickering about who can see the most unusual cloud formations, Gramps puts a stop to the argument. He reminds them that being proud of a special talent from God is one thing, but bragging about it is foolish. Pride goeth before a fall! "

#### **About the Author:**

Mike Berenstain grew up watching his parents, Stan and Jan, working together to write and draw these lovable bears. Eventually he started drawing and writing about them too.

#### **My Review:**

As a child my mother would remind me of Proverbs 16:18, often. So much so that I use it with my own children. God doesn't like a bragger. And in the addition of The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag, Gramps reminds the cubs of this very thing. The cubs were arguing over their topping each other as they imagine different cloud formations. Soon the cubs realized how silly it was to brag over such things. We as adults do the same thing. Pride is NOT a good thing in the eyes of the Lord.

The Berenstain Bears series, is a good series now just like it was years ago to teach our children to do better and act better! We own several books and movies of the beloved bear family!

\*\*Disclosure\*\* This book was sent to me free of charge for my honest review from my participation in the Z Blog Squad.

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### **Erin says**

I really love the Berenstain Bears. I have loved them ever since I was a little girl and my grandma would go out and buy me the newest book. We would sit together and read them, on rainy days, or when I didn't feel good, and even on days when everything was great. These were always the perfect bedtime/anytime book. Just a lot of great memories there, that is why I'm so glad that I can finally share this love with my little girl.

As always, the Berenstain's deliver. Not only was this as good as I remember the others, but I think this one had a little something extra to offer. Brother and Sister are up to no good again, but this time they are bragging about themselves to one another, trying to top the other. They soon realize what they are doing when Gramps points it out. This is a great book to teach your children that it's not alright to brag about your

accomplishments, and it refers to the Bible as well (I don't remember the older ones doing that).

I can't wait to start buying more of these and even some of the classic ones for my daughter.

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### **Laura says**

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When he happens to overhear the cubs bickering about who can see the most unusual cloud formations, Gramps puts a stop to the argument. He reminds them that being proud of a special talent from God is one thing, but bragging about it is foolish. "Pride goeth before a fall!"

THE BERENSTAIN BEARS AND THE BIGGEST BRAG is perfect for early readers (ages 4 – 8). It's also a good lesson for kids when they start bragging about what they can do and try to outdo others in their bragging.

My daughter and I enjoyed the simplicity of the story, the way it was written at a child's reading level, and the pictures were engaging. Focused around the verse "Pride goeth before a fall" it teaches children about the dangers about bragging and pride. 24 pages. Available in paperback and ebook.

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### **Tim says**

Brother and Sister Bear can't stop bragging. They are constantly trying to outdo each other. Since they've worked hard for their accomplishments they are very proud. But when it gets completely out of control one day, Gramps talks to them about their bragging and about how bad pride can be.

Writing in the same easy style as his parents, the author has taken a difficult concept for kids and made it simple and easy to understand. The illustrations help to tell the story and keep the children's attention. Bible verses and the foolishness of bragging are brought out without coming across as preachy or bossy. Both of my children enjoyed the book and indicated this would be a book we read often.

I received this book free of charge from BookLook Bloggers in exchange for my honest review.

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### **Diana says**

What a sweet book and woven throughout the story is a valuable lesson for character building. It's an easy read for older children and young ones listen attentively while engaging with the cute illustrations, pointing to all the clouds. Bragging is never a good idea for anyone to do but two over achiever cubs find themselves in this situation. The brother and sister compete with one another rigorously by topping their stories. Finally, the cubs get locked into a debate over cloud formations. Things do get resolved and there's a great family discussion guide in the back of the book. Bottom line, feel good about the all the good you are doing but don't brag about it. Let someone else say really great things about you! I especially like the conflicts and resolving them with Grandpa bear's wisdom. A delightful, well-thought-out book and a blessing for young families and grandparents to help young children feel good about the talents God has given them without boasting.

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### **Cassandra says**

The message in this book is perfect for younger age children and really for my age and older as well. We could all use a good lesson in humility from time to time. The author is a super favorite of mine as I enjoyed The Berenstain Bears even as a young child. Now with the added discussion topics in the back cover of the book, the kids and I can have a fun talk afterwards.

I have received a complimentary copy of this book from BookLook Bloggers.

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### **Christina says**

\*\*\*\*Disclaimer\*\*\*\* I received a copy of this book for free, for review purposes, all thoughts and or opinion's are my own and I was not compensated.

I have always loved the berenstain bears as a kid, so I was super excited to get a chance to read this. I don't have any children yet, but I will be saving it for them, so I read this with my nephew who's seven, but slightly autistic. We read this together, mostly he read it, which is great that it's easy enough for a child to read and or a parent can read it to them. He had no problems sounding out any of the words, so it's child appropriate for sure. I love that this book as well as many of the others help to teach kids, in a kid friendly manner virtues and values. The lesson so to speak of this book was not to brag and that nothing good comes of it, I truly feel that at 7 my nephew grasped a good idea of this concept and lesson, so that's great. It's a great short read, for bedtime or anytime and I love that it's fun and interesting, but teaches as well. It's a great book like all the others I have read from the berenstain bears.

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### **D.J. says**

Title: The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag

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Grizzly Gramps teaches Brother and Sister a valuable lesson about bragging and boasting in this narrative of The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag.

When Gramps happens to overhear the cubs bickering about who can see the most unusual cloud formations, he puts a stop to the argument by reminding them that being proud of a special talent from God is one thing, but bragging about it is just plain foolish.

“Pride goeth before a fall!”

This story is perfect for early readers, including my granddaughter -- and it's a good lesson for children who get caught up in a "bragging contest" when they start bragging about what they can do and try to outdo others in their bragging.

I love how the story doesn't make the reading too simple, yet is easy for a new reader. The pictures are delightful and entertaining, while the message is always a good one to learn. When my own children were growing up, they read the stories by Stan and Jan Berenstain while growing up... now my grandchildren are reading the stories by their son, Mike. The biblical aspect is one I really appreciate, too!

Even better... now activities and questions are included on the last page!

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### **Julie Graves says**

I think Mike Berenstain is following in his parents footsteps just perfectly! I'm quite the fan of his Living Lights series of the Berenstain Bear books "helping children learn how God wants them to live every day". In this installment Brother and Sister try to outdo each other in everything and their bragging becomes quite unBEARable, especially to Gramps who teaches them a lesson about pride. I especially like the back inside cover where questions for your child are asked and lead to some really good discussions for a great teachable moment. Also thrown in are a couple of ways to apply the lesson learned. I've always been a fan of The Berenstain Bears and now that both Jan and Stan have passed away I think their son is doing a great job continuing the Bear family traditions!

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### **Bethany Morford says**

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Recently I received a new book from BookLook. I was super excited to share this one with my daughter. I read it to her and for days, she was finding shapes in the clouds. But that isn't all she learned.

The Berenstain Bears and the Biggest Brag is a book that teaches children about bragging. It helps them to

realize that it is okay to be proud of the talents God has given them, but to brag is rude and uncomely. In classic Berenstain way, Brother and Sister are super competitive and get into a bragging contest about who can see the best cloud shapes. Gramps happens to hear them and teaches them a valuable lesson about humility.

This book is written and illustrated by Mike Berenstain, the son of the original Berenstain Bears creators. He writes and draws in the same style as his parents did before him.

If you'd be interested in a copy, check Amazon or your local bookstore.

\*\*\*\*\* I received this book in exchange for an honest review as a member of the BookLook bloggers. The opinions expressed are my own and I received no other compensation.

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### **Maureen Timerman says**

The delightful Berenstain Bears are back and as wonderful as ever thanks to Stan and Jan Berentain, and the creator's son Mike. He is sharing the wonderful lessons that he grew up with, and we are all the lucky recipients.

My boys loved and could relate to the competition between the siblings Brother and Sister Bear. My guys started comparing what they had done, and loved what the character's were doing. They were intrigued by the cloud watching and admitted that they loved doing that too, but not the extreme that these two Bears went to, although they loved the imagination shown.

I'm so pleased to find this Christian book with good lessons that the boys can relate to, and really enjoy. Good lessons and good examples were learned in reading this beautifully illustrated book. I loved at the back of the book there are Activities and Questions that can be talked about and include the whole family.

I received this book through BookLook Bloggers, and was not required to give a positive review

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### **Sally says**

How can you not love the Berenstain Bear Family? This lovable whimsical family teaches young children love and acceptance through their antics. In "...and the Biggest Brag", your child will learn the dangers of bragging about talents you may have. Brother and sister bear learn it is foolish to brag about their talents and how they should use their talents for good.

I love at the end of each book there is a page devoted to activities and questions to help your youngster better understand the meaning of the story.

I highly recommend this book for children ages 4-8, but it can also serve as a reminder for an older child. The illustrations are adorable and will keep the youngest child wanting to turn the pages.

Disclosure: I was given a copy of this Book by the publisher, ZonderKidz, for an honest review. I was not required to write a favorable review nor was I compensated for my review. The opinions in this review are my own.

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### **Linda B says**

What a wonderful book, but then it IS The Berenstain Bears! The soft cover book is beautifully illustrated, and has a wonderful message to go with it. Grandpa imparts some wise help for his bragging grandcubs when the bragging gets out of control. He makes them realize how silly all of their bragging seems when they stop to think about it.

On the inside of the back page of the book is an Activities and Questions from Brother and Sister Bear page with some questions children would ask about bragging, the actions of the cubs, and the lesson Gramps was trying to teach. Also, there are two Get Out and Do It activities that will reinforce the lesson learned with action.

My four year old granddaughter loves the story and the illustrations of each of their activities. I recommend it for non-readers and early readers.

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