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The Kid In The Red Jacket

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Synopsis

If you thought Junie B. Jones was FUNNY — catch more laughs from New York Times bestselling author Barbara Park with her hilarious middle-grade novels — just right for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid and I Funny! — Can Howard SURVIVE life without friends? Howard Jeeter™s parents have ruined his life. They™ve moved him across the country, and all the kids in his new town act like he™s totally invisible. At least, all of them except for his six-year-old neighbor, Molly Vera Thompson. Howard could use a friend. But a little girl who talks nonstop? Not what he had in mind. Still, when you™re really lonely, you™ll be friends with anyone right? — An IRA-CBC Children™s Choice A Library of Congress Children™s Book of the Year A Parents™ Choice Gold Award Winner — Park writes in a witty and bittersweet style about the awkward, supersensitive age of early adolescence. Another first-rate addition to the middle-grade popular reading shelf. — "School Library Journal, Starred — a witty middle-grade novel. — "Publishers Weekly

Book Information

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Grade Level: 3 - 7

Customer Reviews

This is, by far, one of the best realistic fiction books ever written for kids. I use it to train my kids in literature circles, and they have excellent discussions about it. I have read this book with my classes
at least 15 times, and I never get tired of it. Great for 4th or 5th graders (and their teachers)!

The Kid In The Red Jacket was a very funny book for all ages to get humor out of. I want to get this book a lot now that I’ve read it. The story of Howard Jeeter and his pesky little neighbor Molly is an enchanting story. I only give this book 4 stars because I thought that the base of the story could have been better and more detailed. Overall, this book is highly recommended by my fifth grade class. Special thanks to my teacher for reading it and making the very humorous Molly Vera Thompson voices and many others. Also, for being such a great teacher. P.S. You really would want her. She’s great!!!!!!!!!!!!

This book is a gem. My now college aged child, who still reads many, many books, enjoyed reading this book over and over again years ago. The wonderful part about this book is that Barbara Park is able to entertain an eight year old and entertain their adult parent as well. She uses so much humor in this book and both my child and I were laughing, out loud. I found that I was reading ahead in the book long after my child was in bed the first night that we had began reading it. I highly recommend this book for it’s witty writing, it’s life lesson to be learned, and mostly for the chance to experience a wonderful book with my child.

This was a great book for me. It was funny because Molly was so annoying and she said lots of funny words.I started reading this in my classroom, then it got so funny, I got this book on my kindle. I can’t wait to read it this Summer! ( =

The Kid in The Red Jacket is a great book. It is one of the greatest books I have ever read. In the story the main character is Howard Jetter. Howard has to move from Arizoina to Massachutes leaving his two best freinds Rogger and Thornsberry behind. When he gets to his newhouse he finds out that he lives on Chester Pewe street. But he finds out something worse. He finds out that a little girl named Molly Vera Thompson lives right across the street from him. Throughout this whole book, Molly is following him and embarassing him in front of his new friends. To find out more, read this really, really good book.

I’ve read this book aloud to my classes for years! It’s a great story to introduce new kids to your class and really help them settle in with great humor! I love hearing the kids laugh out loud and giggle themselves silly hearing tales of Molly Vera Thompson. The books is full of great humor, fun
characters, and heart. I recommend this book for grades 3-5. Enjoy!

I think this is a great book for everyone and is a great example of kids moving to a new house and what they think. It also shows you how they react to an annoying person that just keeps coming back. I really loved this book and I think that anyone would love a great comedy everyone can read and enjoy. The only thing that I didn't like was the names although they made me laugh. A funny comedy of a average 11 year old boy and a funny cute and annoying 6 year old girl. Yeah it gets really crazy! -Bella Killian

I am Carlos daughter and this book was amazing but maybe they should add more spice to it. I'm not saying anything negative about it to much I think kids should very read it good characters funny moments I mean what else!! but I totally recommend better...... elsewere by Jacqueline West, Familiars, Lair and Spy by by! If you have any questions about these books and what they are about ask me

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