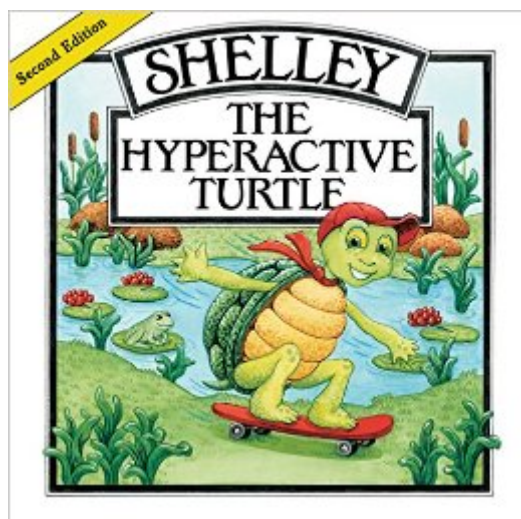


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Shelley, The Hyperactive Turtle



Synopsis

Focusing on AD/HD, this children's book follows Shelley through some bumpy times at school, on the bus, and with other kids. His worried mother takes him to the doctor, where she and Shelley answer questions about his behaviour, and he plays with puzzles and blocks - activities that a child would typically experience during an AD/HD evaluation.

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

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Customer Reviews

Being a parent of an ADHD child can be difficult. Sometimes it is almost impossible to put into the right words what is going on with your child. This is even more difficult when explaining it to children. Shelley is a wonderful character created by Ms. Moss and charmingly animated by Ms. Schwartz. It puts the explanation of ADD/ADHD within the grasp of young children. It also allows for open discussion with them on a simple level. This particular book is staying in my children's library and I recommend to other parents who have ADHD children.

This book was valuable to me in two aspects. Both as a student and as a mother. I recently received my BS in Psychology. My core study was in childhood ADHD. This book helped me to understand the disorder from the child's standpoint. I also found it helpful as a mother. My 6-year-old son was diagnosed with ADHD two years ago. The first time we read the book together,

he looked at me with tears in his eyes and said "Mommy, that's me!" I would recommend this book to anyone who has a small child with this disorder. With my son's permission, I shared the book with his kindergarten class and it helped them to understand him a little better. My son loves this book. It assures him that he is not bad or strange. . . just a little more "wiggly and jumpy," as Ms. Moss put it, than other children.

Shelley, *The Hyperactive Turtle* is a great book for the classroom. It helps children to understand the symptoms of ADHD, and children with ADHD are able to relate to the story and see that other children feel frustrated too. I used this book in a college presentation for a class called exceptional children and youth. My teacher and I loved it!!!

I loved this book and so did my children who all have ADHD. It was extremely helpful. My children were so relieved to find out that they were not alone in their feelings, and that there was someone out there who they could relate to. They love this book and it has generated many questions from them. This book is appropriate for many ages. I gave it to my children's teachers, who requested a book that was appropriate for the classroom and once they read it, they wanted to order their own copy. It is child friendly and very well illustrated. It is gentle and informative. It allows your child to actually understand what is going on with them. This is a good book, that your child will ask you to read it again and again.

This book has been a wonderful resource in helping my 5 year old understand himself. He does not have ADHD, but rather suffers from other neuro-biological behavioral disorders which cause him to be very hyperactive and impulsive. We've read this book many times, and each time he seems to understand a little better that his "wiggles" are not his fault and that we love him just the same!! I highly recommend this book for those parents struggling to explain to their young child what makes them different from others. It's been a fantastic way to "work" with our son in a lighthearted way!

Even after visits with a psychologist and a complete assessment of my child, I was still in denial. After reading Shelley, *The Hyperactive Turtle*, I realized that Shelly and my child were having the same problems and suffered daily with the same misunderstanding from those around them. Shelley teaches that ADHD is not a major problem, but society has a problem with ADHD and the child is not truly a fault. It helps your child (and you) understand the problem and deal with it effectively.

Shelly the Hyperactive Turtle helped my daughter understand why she was missing information and instructions. My daughter may not like taking her medication, but now she understands that there are others like her who need something to slow them down a little so they don't miss the little details.

This is a good book and has a good message but is not the right book for my son. He is a 1st grader and recently diagnosed ADHD. And even after extensive testing they say he is borderline and is only a 50/50 chance that is what is causing his lack of attention. Hard to tell if he is just a high energy boy who is young for his grade and therefore a little more imature. Time will tell. But again this book didn't fit for us so I never ended up reading to him. He is doing great academically and socially. Only issue is with sitting still and getting independent work done. And with this book I didn't want to introduce him to the idea or worry of other potential problems that aren't part of his experience. Still trying to find a book for children that introduces the concept and basic ideas about AD/HD without seeming like the child is doing something bad or something is wrong with them.

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