

Inside Asperger S Looking Out

Perfect for time-poor teachers, Kathy Hoopmann's essential handbook is an easy-to-navigate resource that promotes a positive learning environment in which students with Asperger syndrome (ASD) can thrive. Kathy's unique ability to explain the ASD mind-set shines through as her concise descriptions reveal how to recognise and develop the child's strengths to the fullest potential whilst guiding and mentoring through areas of difficulties. Full of effective and innovative strategies, the book covers areas such as meltdowns, forming friendships, literal thinking and speaking, and the overwhelming influence of sensory sensitivities. Activities to help explain the child's behaviour to other students are also included which fosters understanding and acceptance. A 'Home Link' section adds vital information about how to work with parents and other caregivers to create safe, loving and fun environments for the child at home and at school. With illustrations throughout, this book will be of immeasurable value to anyone who is working in a classroom setting with children with ASD.

Explains how a person with Asperger's syndrome experiences the world and how their thinking is different from the neurotypical. This book's mission is to integrate knowledge and practice from the fields of disability studies and special education. Parts I & II focus on the broad, foundational topics that comprise disability studies (culture, language, and history) and Parts III & IV move into practical topics (curriculum, co-teaching, collaboration, classroom organization, disability-specific teaching strategies, etc.) associated with inclusive education. This organization conforms to the belief that least restrictive environments (the goal of inclusive education) necessarily emerges from least restrictive attitudes (the goal of disability studies). Discussions throughout the book attempt to illustrate the intersection of theory and practice.

In the fog of the distant past there was a Grand Ice Age that threatened the Ut'ishsih people. Before they could perish, the Gods appeared out of the sky to provide food and shelter in the Caves. Many miracles occurred, but not enough. Some would prefer to say poetry will end the world, but no rhyme will stick to the face of time. Lachrymal vicissitudes, slipping on plates of passion, are insufficient to generate terminal earthquakes. No, it is this blog that will end life on the surface of the Earth with a recipe for pizza and virginity. No, it is not the High Priestess alone who will do it. Many creatures do play their part to stage a farce, leaping in multiplicity, dark in mind. True, every seminal blog in the universe begins as a joke. Few end with dessert.

A playful look at the world of dyspraxia, explored through photographs of an array of animals, following in the best-selling footsteps of Kathy Hoopmann's Inside Asperger's Looking Out. It provides a perfect introduction to the condition for those recently diagnosed, highlighting the unique characteristics that make them special.

The Slamming Door is a true story. Find out how an Aspie who has learned social skills by rote, one who has earned respectable academic credentials but does not function well in many work environments, navigates a labyrinth of death, dying and loss, and how she copes with anxiety induced by travel and changes in her environment, and how she slowly, painstakingly comes to recognize the signs of hostility around her while making no apology for who she is. In September of 2008, Clarisse N. Renard was

asked to move in with a man who had just been diagnosed with bone cancer...by his daughter, Berta, who knew that she was a writer and available. Berta had to work in an office, so she couldn't be her father's caregiver. The man was her husband's older cousin, Bryn, a Harvard-educated, retired New York City social worker, and Clarisse and her husband Damon had stayed with him many times. He was also one of her best friends after eight years of visits, a confidante, and like another dad to her. The request, which was also an invitation of sorts, felt like a chance to pay her cousin-in-law back for all of the emotional and other support he had given to Clarisse and Damon. She didn't know Berta very well, but had been excited to find that her marriage came with a female cousin her own age. Clarisse looked forward to getting to know her better. When he realized that he couldn't stay home alone while terminally ill, Bryn wanted Clarisse with him and told her so the evening that she arrived. However, he warned her that Berta and her older half-sister were very jealous of the fact that she was there with him. Berta resented Clarisse in many ways, and gradually revealed her true self: a bully. Read on to find out how an articulate and meticulous Aspie dealt with all of these problems and situations, and how she viewed it all. People with Asperger's are not broken; their brain patterns merely differ from those of the majority of the population. Aspies have produced great novels, scientific discoveries, and the foundations of the best legal system on the planet, namely The Declaration of Independence. Asserting oneself, knowing that no good deed will be judged with appreciation by a bully, is an act of courage and defiance, but also a necessary one. There is nothing wrong with those who are different. The problem is those who won't accept or respect them. The memoir includes photographs of points of interest in Manhattan, and of other items of interest.

Asperger's on the Inside is an acutely honest and often highly entertaining memoir by Michelle Vines about life with Asperger's Syndrome. The book follows Michelle in exploring her past and takes the reader with her on her journey to receiving and accepting her diagnosis. Instead of rehashing widely available Asperger's information, Michelle focuses on discussing the thoughts, feelings and ideas that go along with being an Aspie, giving us a rare peek into what it really feels like to be a person on the spectrum. A must read for all those who enjoy deep personal stories or have a loved one on the spectrum that they wish to understand better. The author enables parents and professionals to see inside an Asperger mind. Interwoven into the text is some sound advice about the best ways of helping individuals with the syndrome. This includes some helpful 'recommendations for teaching' Asperger students, with an attached list of 'things teachers should know'. Throughout, there are poignant reminders of the author's vulnerability and the cruelty of some of her acquaintances'- "British Journal of Learning for Support "This book will be relevant to teachers, those working within FE and HE and professionals working in the field of mental health' -" Educational Psychology in Practice " This book is easy to read and one to recommend to colleagues, parents and possibly some young people with Asperger's Syndrome' - "Support for Learning " Nita's personal account of living with Asperger's Syndrome is an enlightening read. Each chapter gives a revealing insight into her personal experience and challenges of day-to-day life - "Contact a Family " This book is a fascinating account of Nita Jackson's experience of Aspergers Syndrome. If you have already read Clare Sainsbury's Martian in the Playground, don't expect a similar publication. Nita offers a personal account of her unique world: " is she size 10 or

16? " where does she come from? " will she be up or down today? The book contains personal descriptions of how Aspergers Syndrome affects the author's day-to-day life and the people around her. Nita shows off her intensely creative talent in her poetry and diary entries, which are used throughout the book. At times, this is an uncomfortable read. However, it is an essential text if you want to understand how the world looks from Nita's perspective.

Subject: Girls with Asperger's Syndrome are less frequently diagnosed than boys, & even once symptoms have been recognized, help is often not readily available. The image of coping well presented by AS females can often mask difficulties, deficits, challenges, & loneliness.

This book is designed to help you understand how people who struggle with inductive reasoning view the world, how they hear and see things, and how they process that information. It shows how to understand things from their perspective, instead of looking from the outside from your perspective. It will help you get inside their mind.

The author describes life growing up different in an odd family, his unusual talents, his struggle to live a "normal" life, his diagnosis at the age of forty with Asperger's syndrome, and the dramatic changes that have occurred since that diagnosis.

Takes autistic children step by step through everyday activities.

Life with a Partner or Spouse with Asperger Syndrome: Going Over the Edge? gives you a look into the lives of a handful of people who live with a loved one with Asperger Syndrome (AS). Written by a psychologist who has family members with Asperger Syndrome and has worked for years with clients with AS, the focus of the book is on how partners/spouses of someone with AS can take back their lives and find true meaning and happiness. Often the relationship between someone with AS and his or her partner is so strained that the conflicts escalate to damaging proportions, involving divorce, domestic violence and depression. The author explores these relationships in an effort to bring the two worlds a bit closer, which can ultimately make a real difference in the happiness of many people. In short, this book was written primarily to help spouses/partners of those with Asperger Syndrome learn how to grow away from dysfunctional behavior and dysfunctional relationships.

Describes and suggests concrete ways to deal with challenges that may arise in areas of both daily life and love, covering everything from grocery shopping to getting along better with family members. Understanding the special relationship between self-esteem and success at independence, the author's advice is based very purposefully on autistic strengths, and reflects the belief and hope that autistic adults can both contribute to and enjoy all life has to offer.--From publisher description.

This edited collection offers screening, teaching and practical support for specific learning differences in Higher

Education Uses international case studies to explain how psychologists identify, assess and support a range of specific learning differences in students The higher education sector has come to terms with dyslexia, but today's students are disclosing a range of learning differences including dyspraxia, ADHD, Asperger's Syndrome and dyscalculia Institutions in all major Western countries are required by law to avoid disadvantaging students with special educational needs, so staff must be up to date on how to recognise and support them Supported by an already popular website, Brain HE, with extra materials and colour photographs

"Both parents and professionals need to read this book, and then other children with Asperger's syndrome will indeed live a better life" -Tony Attwood, Clinical Psychologist Co-founder, Minds & Hearts Clinic Effectively accommodating the social and academic needs of children on the autistic spectrum is an important task in every school. This extraordinary book, written by the mother of a child with Asperger's syndrome, focuses on living your best life despite your difference. The author describes the problems and pain she faced as her son changed and encountered difficulties at every stage, and demonstrates her own resilience and determination. Each chapter provides a summary with anecdotal stories describing how a young boy navigates his way through the social challenges that he faces every day. It discusses: Diagnosis and recognizing the difference Providing support and understanding Communication Concrete thinking A practical guide to benefit parents, teachers, and international autism organizations, this book also is a celebration of a mother and son and their relationship.

Woven around her first person experiences and scholarly references, is insight on many of the questions and concerns females with AS surely experience at some point in their life...lovely time spent with a friend...a teaching tool for women and their supporters...a read everyone can enjoy on a number of levels. - from the foreword Kristi Hubbard gives summaries of over a decade of intensive research on autism spectrum conditions. She offers insight, advice, encouragement, understanding, solutions and suggestions for girls and women with Asperger's. She found out she had Asperger's Syndrome when she was in graduate school and shares her challenging experiences growing up and in adulthood. She offers insight with her experiences helping children who have autism, and sets forth her search for the truth of what Asperger's really is, where it came from and the discovery of methods to have a happy, joyful and successful life. She also offers insight for caregivers, teachers and any other professional or family member to better understand and help girls with Asperger's. Read this book to learn: · Sex differences in Asperger's · Early signs detecting Asperger's · Insight on more than 21 Asperger's traits · How to overcome sensory issues · How to overcome social difficulties · Tips on making friends and keeping them · Solutions on more than 26 common life issues · Methods to have a happier family life living with Asperger's · Better understanding of the meaning and purpose in life · Numerous helpful resources for those with Asperger's · How to prevent or decrease the chances of your child from developing Autism

This practical sourcebook is packed full of fun, low-cost games and activities that encourage the development of motor skills, coordination and sensory tolerance in young children. Using materials that are readily-available in most households or that can be purchased or homemade at a very low cost, these games and activities are appropriate for all children, including those with autism, ADHD, Sensory

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Processing Disorder, and other learning challenges. The book includes clear descriptions of how to carry out each activity, helpful illustrations, and ways to adapt activities according to the child's individual needs. In addition, a comprehensive reference guide to the activities enables easy searching for games suited to the development of particular skills. This sourcebook is the key to easy-to-understand, low-cost, and effective games and activities that will support the development of sensorimotor skills. It is a useful tool for parents, carers, therapists, and teachers of children with or without special needs.

This is the first book on the psychoanalytic treatment of children, young people and adults with Asperger's syndrome. It includes multi-disciplinary contributions on psychiatric perspectives and psychological theories of the condition. There is an overview of relevant psychoanalytic theory, and chapters on Asperger's original paper, on first-person accounts, on assessment and on care in the community. Clinical case histories of children, young people and the first published account of work with adults provide the possibility of using psychoanalytic work as a means of diagnostically differentiating between sub-groups, as well as providing a detailed insight into the emotional experience of people with Asperger's syndrome. Both Editors teach on the Tavistock Clinic Training in Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy. They are widely published authors and have both given lectures and papers in the UK, Europe and the United States.

My Autism Book is a beautifully illustrated picture book that helps parents to explain an autism diagnosis to their child in a sensitive, positive and accurate way. When a child is diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), parents often feel overwhelmed and uncertain about how to communicate the diagnosis to their child. This book is designed to be read with the child as a simple introduction to their diagnosis. Written by a doctor and a children's author, the book is tailored precisely to the needs and experiences of the child with ASD aged 5 and up. It explains what an autism diagnosis means and encourages an exploration of the child's likely strengths and differences using clear language that speaks directly to the child. The colourful pictures throughout show how the world looks from the child's perspective and the book ends with a summary checklist to encourage the child to record and discuss how autism affects them.

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This highly practical resource book is full of realistic and achievable strategies to help teachers to support neurodiverse students in a range of situations that, whilst often seemingly insignificant, can quickly become substantial and disruptive challenges in the mainstream classroom. Written with the busy teacher in mind, chapters are easy to dip in and out of, with jargon-free language and simple explanations which are easy to understand and put into practice. Clear chapters explore a variety of situations and topics to help children engage in their learning and make the classroom a safe and inviting place to be for autistic students. Key features include: Practical and achievable strategies to support autistic students in the mainstream classroom Real-life scenarios to help you find concrete solutions to issues as they arise Memorable mantras and quick quotes to help embed strategies in everyday practice for both students and teachers Photocopiable and downloadable resource sheets Written by an advisory teacher for autism with a wealth of experience, this book will be an invaluable tool for both primary and secondary teachers in mainstream settings, as well as other education professionals.

A little boy with Asperger's syndrome celebrates his differences while explaining how he often has more energy than other kids, has very acute senses, and says things that may be blunt but are never intended to be mean.

Will Attwood was finishing a three-year sentence in prison when he was formally diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome for the first time. After his diagnosis he recognised just how much it had been affecting his life behind bars. This book is a practical advice guide for people with autism who have been sentenced to time in prison. Will shares his first-hand knowledge of what to expect and how to behave within the penal

system. He sheds light on topics that are important for people with autism, answering questions such as: How should you act with inmates and guards? How do you avoid trouble? What about a prison's environmental stimuli may cause you anxiety? His thoughtful, measured writing debunks rumours about daily life in prison, and the useful tips and observations he offers will help anyone with autism prepare for the realities of spending time incarcerated, and be enormously helpful to those working with offenders on the autism spectrum.

The warm and hilarious bestselling memoir by a man diagnosed with Asperger syndrome who sets out to save his marriage. At some point in nearly every marriage, a wife finds herself asking, What the @#!% is wrong with my husband?! In David Finch's case, this turns out to be an apt question. Five years after he married Kristen, the love of his life, they learn that he has Asperger syndrome. The diagnosis explains David's ever-growing list of quirks and compulsions, but it doesn't make him any easier to live with. Determined to change, David sets out to understand Asperger syndrome and learn to be a better husband with an endearing yet hilarious zeal. His methods for improving his marriage involve excessive note-taking, performance reviews, and most of all, the Journal of Best Practices: a collection of hundreds of maxims and hard-won epiphanies, including "Don't change the radio station when she's singing along" and "Apologies do not count when you shout them." Over the course of two years, David transforms himself from the world's most trying husband to the husband who tries the hardest. He becomes the husband he'd always meant to be. Filled with humor and surprising wisdom, The Journal of Best Practices is a candid story of ruthless self-improvement, a unique window into living with an autism spectrum condition, and proof that a true heart can conquer all. Hard-won insights on transitioning into adulthood Author, speaker, and autism advocate Jesse A. Saperstein knows a lot about living with Asperger's. Diagnosed at the age of 14, Jesse has struggled, triumphed, flubbed, soared, educated, and inspired. Along the road to adulthood, he has learned many lessons the hard way. In this honest and engaging book, he offers a guided tour of what he's learned about getting along with others, managing emotions, succeeding in school and work, building relationships, and more. Among his Asperger's Rules are: Clean Up Your Own Mess (including but not limited to credit card debt, out-of-control collections, and your cesspool of a room) You Can't Bail Out the Titanic with a Wine Glass (or change the world of online dating) Serving as a Role Model to the Next Generation of Asperger's Syndrome Navigating the challenges of college and the unrelenting storm of transition. The Road to Catastrophe is Paved with Good Intentions (understanding how others perceive you, even if they're wrong) WIN (Work Is Necessary) You are talented enough to maintain employment even if your options are not ideal Confronting Memories of Bullying and Showing Mercy toward Yourself Heartfelt, insightful, and generous, this book will enlighten and inform readers, whether they are on the autism spectrum or not.

Inspired by the often uncomfortable interplay between autistic individuals, parents and professionals in understanding autistic spectrum conditions, Olga Bogdashina uses the concept of Theory of Mind (ToM) to consider these groups' different (and often conflicting) perspectives. ToM is the ability to imagine and make judgements about what others feel and think; its absence in autistic individuals is called 'mindblindness'. This book addresses the 'mindblindness' of people united in their interest in autism but divided by their different angles and perspectives. Divided into four parts, the book first defines autism, then the views of the three main groups working with it - autistic individuals, parents and professionals - under the headings of classifications, diagnosis, causes, development, theories and treatment. By comparing and reconciling the different perspectives in this way, the book helps each group to understand and predict each other's responses and behaviours. This enlightening and innovative book offers a unique way of 'stepping in each other's shoes' and is a valuable resource for all people living or working with autism.

Life as a bird can be stressful! From worrying about airplanes, windows, and getting enough worms to eat, it is clear that birds can be anxious

beings. Through a light-touch, quizzical depiction of bird behaviour, *All Birds Have Anxiety* uses colourful images and astute explanations to explore with gentle humour what it means to live with anxiety day-to-day, and how to begin to deal with it. Following the style of the best-selling *All Cats Have Asperger Syndrome* and *All Dogs Have ADHD*, wonderful colour photographs express the complex and difficult ideas related to anxiety disorder in an easy-to-understand way. This simple yet profound book validates the deeper everyday experiences of anxiety, provides an empathic understanding of the many symptoms associated with anxiety, and offers compassionate suggestions for change. The combination of understanding and gentle humour make this the ideal introduction to anxiety disorder for those diagnosed with this condition, their family and friends and those generally interested in understanding anxiety.

'This book is essential reading to understand the social abilities of adults with Asperger's syndrome. The contributors each have different personalities and experiences, but together they provide a range of strategies to encourage people with Asperger's syndrome to achieve the social relationships they desire.' - Professor Tony Attwood Social interaction among neurotypical people is complex and in many ways illogical. To the person with Asperger Syndrome (AS) it is also woefully unintuitive. In this book, adults with AS discuss social relationships, offer advice and support for others with AS and provide necessary insights into AS perspectives for those working and interacting with them. The contributors evaluate a range of social contexts and relationship aspects, including: * online relationships - a worldwide social network based on non-verbal communication, * the unwritten rules of neurotypical socialising, * the need for mutual understanding between those with AS and neurotypicals, * the effects of struggling socially on one's self-esteem and frame of mind, and * the opportunities provided by social skills workshops or interest groups. This is essential reading for adults with AS, their family and friends, as well as service providers and other professionals providing support for people with AS in adult life.

An intimate, engaging, and insightful guide to coping with Asperger's—from one of the condition's most passionate advocates. Michael John Carley was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome at thirty-six when his young son received the same diagnosis. This fascinating book reveals his personal experience with the confusion and trauma associated with this condition—and offers insights into living an independent and productive life. Now the Executive Director of the world's largest Asperger's organization, Carley helps readers in such areas as: - Social interactions - Nurturing interests - Whom to confide in—and how - Dealing with family and loved ones - Finding work that suits your strengths and talents

Provides advice for parents, educators, and children dealing with Asperger's syndrome, including diagnosis, school challenges, and the day-to-day issues at home.

@page { margin: 2cm } p { margin-bottom: 0.21cm } a:link { color: #0000ff } Through 150 entries, Samantha Craft presents a life of humorous faux pas, profound insights, and the everyday adventures of an autistic female. In her vivid world, nothing is simple and everything appears pertinent. Even an average trip to the grocery store is a feat and cause for reflection. From being a dyslexic cheerleader with dyspraxia going the wrong direction, to bathroom stalking, to figuring out if she can wear that panty-free dress, Craft explores the profoundness of daily living through hilarious anecdotes and heart-warming childhood memories. Ten years in the making, Craft's revealing memoir brings Asperger's Syndrome into a spectrum of brilliant light—exposing the day-to-day interactions and complex inner workings of an autistic female from childhood to midlife.

'This deceptively little book contains more truth and provides more insight into what it is like to have Asperger's Syndrome than many a weighty tome on the subject. It offers a view from the inside, but it is not yet another autobiography. Admirably and refreshingly, the author

has refrained from giving an account solely based on her own experiences. Instead she sets out observations from 25 different sufferers, giving often astonishing and sometimes harrowing glimpses of what actually happens to a child with Asperger's Syndrome in the classroom, in the playground, in the lunch queue and at home' - The Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry This award-winning book illuminates what it means to be a person who has Aspergers Syndrome by providing a window into a unique and particular world. Drawing on her own experience of schooling, and that of a network of friends and correspondents who share her way of thinking and responding, Clare Sainsbury reminds us of the potential for harm which education holds for those who do not fit. This book holds insights that take us beyond the standard guidance on how to manage autistic spectrum disorder. It challenges the way we might handle obsessional behaviour. It invites us to celebrate the pure passion of the intellect, which such obsessions can represent, and to recognise the delight which can be experienced by children who love to collect. It reminds us that many of the autistic mannerisms we might try to suppress actually help the child to think. This revised edition includes an additional introduction and extensive summary of research in the field of Asperger's Syndrome, both by Tony Attwood.

Autism and Asperger's Syndrome continue to affect an increasing number of children and adults around the world. They are puzzling conditions that create a barrier of communication between the child and anyone who wishes to know what the child is experiencing. After twenty-plus years of living on the Autism Spectrum, Benjamin T. Collier has written this book to help families understand a part of what their autistic loved ones may be going through. This is Benjamin's story. About the Author: Benjamin T. Collier was born with severe autism, and was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome (or High-Functioning Autism) at the age of seven. He has always had a unique way of looking at things, and began creative writing at the age of nineteen. He grew up in a Christian family and has been actively involved in the church community through the Alpha ministry and leading and helping in small groups. He is an avid gamer, as well as a fan and author of sci-fi and fantasy tales. He currently lives in Southern Ontario in a house surrounded by God's wilderness. On his blog (benjaminfrog.wordpress.com), Benjamin writes about spirituality, autism, pop culture, and often reviews television and films.

Increasingly, special and general education teachers are collaborating in inclusive settings to educate students with Autism and Asperger's Syndrome. Furthermore, educators are finding that the differentiation of instruction for these students often results in better outcomes for all. This reference guide, written by Paula Kluth, author of *You're Going to Love This Kid* and noted presenter/consultant on topics of Autism Spectrum Disorder, provides a wide range of ideas for differentiating lessons, addressing behavior, fostering relationships, handling transitions and adapting the general education classroom for those students who present with the characteristics of Autism and Asperger's Syndrome. It includes essential information on the teaching of literacy and math, as well as tips to assist with homework. Valuable website/media/print resources are also provided.

Winner of the 2017 IDEC Book Award, 2017 EDRA Great Places Award (Book Category), 2017 American Society of Interior Designers Joel Polsky Prize and the 2016 International Interior Design Association TXOK Research Award *Designing for Autism Spectrum Disorders* explains the influence of the natural and man-made environment on individuals with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and other forms of intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD). Drawing on the latest research in the fields of environmental psychology and education, the authors show you how architecture and interior spaces can positively influence individuals with neurodiversities by modifying factors such as color, lighting, space organization, textures, acoustics, and ventilation. Now you can design homes, therapeutic environments, work environments, and outdoor spaces to encourage growth and learning for the projected 500,000 children with ASD (in the United States alone)

who are expected to reach adulthood by 2024. Topics discussed include: -Environmental design theories -Symptoms of ASD -Sensory processing deficits -Design needs of individuals on the spectrum at all ages -Design methods and solutions for spaces, including residential, learning, work, and therapeutic environments encompassing a wide range of budgets -Designing for self-actualization, well-being, and a high quality of life for the duration of an individual's life -Avenues for healthy living and aging in place -Biophilic design -Environmental impact on well-being -Strategies to promote active living as an integral part of the welfare focus.

Bohuslav Martinu's amazing output—over 400 imaginative, well-crafted, and diverse pieces, including symphonies, operas, ballet scores, and other orchestral works—is accounted for in this biography that asserts the composer had Asperger Syndrome.

Join Greg, a young boy with Asperger's syndrome (AS), as he tells us all about the world as he sees and experiences it. We learn about all the things he loves, including his routine and numbers, as well as his special interest in batteries (he even has a rectangular one!). Greg also tells us about the things that he finds challenging, from a change in his beloved routine to reading facial expressions, and how these things can sometimes leave him upset and overwhelmed. By explaining the way he feels and how best to calm him down when it all gets too much, Greg helps us to understand AS and how it affects the way he views the people and objects around him. With comprehensive sections for parents and professionals on AS and the impact it can have on the family unit and life in the wider community, this charmingly illustrated book helps to increase awareness and understanding of Asperger's syndrome. It will be of interest to families of children with autism spectrum disorders, as well as teachers and other professionals working with children on the autism spectrum.

Emily Bell believes in destiny. To her, being forced to sing a solo in the church choir--despite her average voice--is fate: because it's while she's singing that she first sees Sam. At first sight, they are connected. Sam Border wishes he could escape, but there's nowhere for him to run. He and his little brother, Riddle, have spent their entire lives constantly uprooted by their unstable father. That is, until Sam sees Emily. That's when everything changes. As Sam and Riddle are welcomed into the Bells' lives, they witness the warmth and protection of a family for the first time. But when tragedy strikes, they're left fighting for survival in the desolate wilderness, and wondering if they'll ever find a place where they can belong. Beautifully written and emotionally profound, I'll Be There is a gripping story that explores the complexities of teenage passions, friendships, and loyalties.

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