

Following Ezra: What One Father Learned About Gumby, Otters, Autism, and Love From His Extraordinary Son By Tom Fields-Meyer

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I thought this book was okay it was a little slow and often hard to finish but I really related with a lot of the passages and below are some of my favorites: Life rarely goes according to plan and too often we try to control situations that are beyond our control. **Following ezrah**) I once understood that having children meant sacrificing some sense of control but more and more I find myself in situations like the one at the hair salon that seem completely out of hand and beyond my ability to manage. **Book Following ezra klein** She gives us a few ideas for how to start: make schedule books with visual cues about what's going to happen every day occupational therapy and most important to find a preschool where he will fit in and where the educators know how to help him. **Book Following ezrah** Especially illuminating were the chapters describing the careening descent into autism after age three (which was the age when we noticed things not-usual in our own son) and the diagnosis and how the writer and his family deal with the challenges coming from a strong Jewish background. **Following ezrah** It's helpful to remember that autism knows no boundaries and affects people of every background and seeing the path walked from discovery to acceptance through another parent's eyes is cathartic. **PDF Following ezra** Tom Fields-Meyer has approached this with a light touch that strikes true and his book may help many others negotiate their own experience with that terror and the eventual acceptance. **Following ezrah** All he ever wanted to do was to love his son -- why should autism change love? It doesn't and through every difficult day every potentially upsetting situation this father shrugs off the difficulties and instead chooses to see his son for what he is: unique challenging and beautiful. **Following ezraider price** Following Ezra: What One Father Learned About Gumby Otters Autism and Love From His Extraordinary Son While this book is definitely written from a neurotypical viewpoint it is fearlessly and unapologetically positive about the experience of raising an autistic child and I love it for that. **Book following ezra** For all that the author struggles to understand the way his son's mind works however I can't help but think how lucky he is that Ezra is so very verbal and expressive compared to many of the children I work with. **Kindle Following ezrah** They learn from their mistakes and do their best to raise their son as a happy responsible and caring person rather than focusing on making him more normal or insisting that he learn in typical ways. **Following ezrah** I expected to enjoy the book in part because of our acquaintance but very soon realized that our association was irrelevant; I was riveted to the book just as much as if I'd picked it up at random because it's a beautifully-written story with a powerfully universal message. **Following Ezra pdf filler** For example it made me realize that The Social Contract which allows us to live together in relative harmony is a dauntingly complex and contradictory arrangement when seen through the eyes of a literalist. **Book Following ezra pound** All he ever wanted to do was to love his son -- why should autism change love? It doesn't and through every difficult day every potentially upsetting situation this father shrugs off the difficulties and instead chooses to see his son for what he is: unique challenging and beautiful. **Following ezraider price** 9780451234636 A little biased here as I've known the author and his family for years (and currently work part-time with Ezra) but worth noting that it's beautifully written and heartfelt and I loved reading about the various anecdotes detailing Ezra's life through Tom's eyes. **Book following ezra** Gives such emotionally rich context to how Tom and Shawn have embraced Ezra's autism over the years and filled me with such gratitude and joy to know more about him in addition to my experiences working alongside him. **Following ezrah** This book might not tell me how exactly to get my son to take his socks off or how to get him to accept a bowl of oatmeal sitting on the table but it did show me that we have all we need: love patience acceptance. **Book Following ezra miller** Ezra's autism is in many ways different from my son's but there were definitely echoes of the familiar from Thomas the Tank Engine and Star Wars obsessions to tactics that I have tried. **Book Following ezra miller** Following Ezra is exactly what I needed right now

not a book all about autism inside and out but a book about the blessings of autism about the blessing of being the parent of a challenged and challenging child, **Book Following ezra** The things we least plan for can become our greatest treasures. **Book Following ezrackbuilder** Like many parents I saw my son's challenges as something to get past so that my family and I could get on with our lives. **Following ezrah** I eventually learned that this IS life; this is what life is, **Following ezraider price** You have to let yourself grieve for the child he didn't turn out to be, **Following ezraider price** It will be to pour love on my son to celebrate him to understand to support him and to follow his lead, **Following ezrah** (They were at the salon trying to cut his hair and he had a gigantic meltdown throwing things screaming etc. **Book following ezra** "I think it's a good idea for you to bring him to meet one of our psychologists" Denise said. **Following ezrah** For the next 20 minutes she engages Ezra in a succession of tests, **Following ezrabine** I don't understand most of the tests and can't discern what would constitute success or failure so it's difficult to know how to react or feel as I watch, **Kindle Following ezrah** I experience a tangle of emotions: Half of me is desperately rooting for Ezra as if my kid's in a soccer game and I'm cheering from the bleachers. **Book following ezra** The other half deeply wants Ezra to fail so that he can receive services: **Book Following ezra furman** Then she says "I think Ezra is on the autism spectrum". **Following ezraider price** In years to come I will listen to many parents describe the moment they heard those words or words like them and how devastated they felt: **Following ezrackbuilder usamm** Some will say they felt like they'd had all of the air sucked out of them: **Book Following ezra bridger** By the time we hear the word autism applied to our son it feels almost like good news- like we've won some very twisted form of the lottery, **EBook Following ezrackbuilder** a touching father's tale of family life with their autistic middle son: **Following ezrah** Moments of clarity and humor intertwined with the reality of never knowing what the moment really holds and never knowing what to expect: **Book Following ezra furman** 5 seems a bit low but not quite a 4 □ 9780451234636 Written lovingly by the father of an autistic child Following Ezra is a quick and excellent read. **Following ezrage** Anyone wanting to know what it's like living with an autistic child ought to read this; the stories are fantastically done, **Following ezraider price** But it's probably most useful and edifying for those families in the thick of it. **Following ezrah** There is nothing more terrifying to a parent than the first time they're told that something may be wrong with their child, **Book Following ezra klein** The mind jumps years ahead decades imagining the worst and there's denial and sadness and not far behind loom dread and anger. **Book Following ezra pound** In the end there is much wonder at the talents and differences of the autistic mind and much love for our children and hope for their promising futures. **Following Ezra kindle books** Too often it seems there are books about parents their children and unrealized expectations: **Book Following ezra furman** Those expectations end up crippling relationships and the books subsequently written about them express the journey of repairing those wounds and healing those grievances, **Following Ezra kindle unlimited** This book veers completely from that course similarly to the development of the titular child. **Following Ezra kindle books** When the author and his wife discover that their son Ezra has autism the father describes how he has no need to grieve, **Following ezrackbuilder** The overall message of this book is the usual PC theme: different is okay: **Kindle Following ezra furman** And yet it differs from other lines of thought because it never assumes there's a problem in the first place. **Book Following ezrah** It doesn't mean that he is less of a person or should be loved less. **EBook Following ezra miller** In a world where so much of what we hear on the news or experience secondhand is terrifying and uncertain this book reassures even if unintentionally, **Following Ezra epub.pub** It has a decided we can do it attitude and that is still an attitude worth pursuing. **Kindle Following ezra cohen-watnick** 9780451234636 A heartwarming intimate and amusing memoir of a father's experience raising his autistic son. **Following ezrah** When Tom Fields-Meyer's son Ezra was three and showing early signs of autism a therapist suggested that the father needed to grieve: **Book Following ezra klein** That moment helped strengthen the author's resolve to do just the opposite: to love the child Ezra was a quirky boy with a fascinating and complex mind, **EPub Following ezra miller** Full of tender moments and unexpected humor

Following Ezra is the story of a father and son on a ten-year journey from Ezra's diagnosis to the dawn of his adolescence. **Following ezraider price** It celebrates his growth from a remote toddler to an extraordinary young man connected in his own remarkable ways to the world around him. **Book Following ezra cohen-watnick** His father may be bewildered at why certain things that send his child into a screaming meltdown but at least Ezra can let him know what triggered the panic: **Book Following ezra furman** The parents in this book are successful because they seek out methods of doing things that work with their son's strengths and compensate for his weaknesses: **Following Ezra epub reader** Because they work tirelessly to understand Ezra's needs Ezra is ultimately able to accomplish wonderful things including a bar mitzvah ceremony, **Following ezrah** This is a book that any parents with a special needs child should read, **EBook Following ezra cohen-watnick** I am acquainted with the author and his son having worked with them on a publishing project, **Following ezrael** It doesn't matter if you don't know anyone with autism (I don't) or don't even have children (I don't). **Book Following ezra** Ezra's autism and the author's approach to it have a lot to teach all of us. **Book Following ezrah** It made me appreciate Judaism for it's emphasis on memory community and healing a broken world: **Following ezraider price** And it made me realize that we're all a bit autistic - it's just a matter of degree. **Book Following ezra miller** But most importantly it made me realize the healing power of patience creativity family and community. **Following ezrah** As full of humor insight and drama as any fiction but with the authenticity of truth: **Following ezrah** Too often it seems there are books about parents their children and unrealized expectations, **Book following ezra** Those expectations end up crippling relationships and the books subsequently written about them express the journey of repairing those wounds and healing those grievances, **Following ezrafil** This book veers completely from that course similarly to the development of the titular child, **Following Ezra ebooks air** When the author and his wife discover that their son Ezra has autism the father describes how he has no need to grieve, **Book Following ezra furman** In a world where so much of what we hear on the news or experience secondhand is terrifying and uncertain this book reassures even if unintentionally, **Book Following ezra bridger** It has a decided we can do it attitude and that is still an attitude worth pursuing: **Book Following ezra klein** 9780451234636 After two years of occupational therapy my son was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder two weeks ago. **Book Following ezrackbuilder** I wasn't surprised but I've still had a hard time breathing a hard time saying the word a hard time knowing exactly how we were going to move forward. My answer will never be to mourn. I feel an odd mix of satisfactions and heartbreak. "So....let's talk" says the woman doing the testing. Some will compare it to a punch in the stomach. They describe disbelief denial shock. I don't feel any of those things. It means we'll get services. 9780451234636 loved it. Well written. Easy quick read. 9780451234636 3.75 □ 3. 9780451234636 I found this book refreshing. Ezra himself describes autism as good. Yes Ezra is different. That is just the way he is. This book is heartwarming funny and optimistic. For what? he asked. The answer: For the child he didn't turn out to be. 9780451234636 First full disclosure. So don't read it because it's a story about autism. Read it because it's a well-crafted moving story period. 9780451234636 I found this book refreshing. This book is heartwarming funny and optimistic. -Karen H. 9780451234636

