

grader, is sure that the "perfect" new girl dislikes her because she is deaf, but persistence and a joint science fair project help Megan see that the two girls have something in common after all.

***The Case of the Snack Snatcher (West Meadow Detectives; 1)***

By Liam O'Donnell

**J O'Donnell**

Meet Myron: a third-grade detective who loves logic, facts, and solving mysteries. Myron's unique perspective from the autism spectrum makes him a top-notch sleuth.

**Young Adult Fiction**

***Al Capone Does My Shirts***

By Gennifer Choldenko

**YA Choldenko**

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.

***Colin Fischer***

By Ashley Edward Miller

**YA Miller**

A boy with autism teams up with the high school bully to get to the bottom of a cafeteria crime.

**Children's & Young Adult Nonfiction**

***Temple Grandin: How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced Autism and Changed the World***

By Sy Montgomery

**J-B Grandin**

***How to be Human: Diary of an Autistic Girl***

By Florida Frenz

**YA 618.92 Frenz**

***I Am Special: A Workbook to Help Children, Teens, and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder to Understand Their Diagnosis, Gain Confidence and Thrive***

By Peter Vermeulen

**YA 616.858 Vermeulen**

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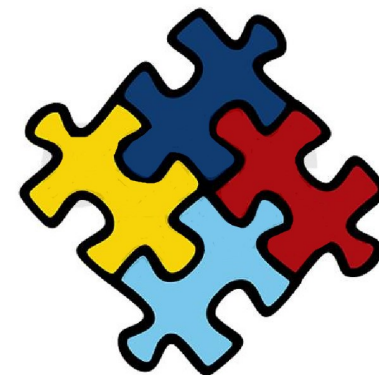
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# Autism Awareness

*Recommended  
Reading for  
Children & Young  
Adults*

## **Picture Books:**

### ***Ian's Walk: A Story about Autism***

By Laurie Lears

**E Lears**

A young girl realizes how much she cares for her autistic brother Ian when he gets lost at the park.

### ***Playing by the Rules: A Story about Autism***

By Dena Luchsinger

**E Luchsinger**

When Great Aunt Tilda comes to visit, it takes her a little while to learn to understand Josh, who has autism, just as it takes him some time to get used to her.

### ***My Brother is Autistic***

By Jennifer Moore-Mallinos

**E Moore**

Describes how people with autism may react when faced with unexpected changes in their routine, and explains possible origins of the condition, its symptoms, and how people with autism can succeed.

### ***Why Johnny Doesn't Flap: NT Is OK!***

By Clay Morton

**E Morton**

Drolly revealing how people who are not on the autistic spectrum are perceived by those who are, the autistic narrator's bafflement at his neurotypical friend's quirks shows that 'normal' is simply a matter of perspective.

### ***My Brother Charlie***

By Holly Robinson Peete

**E Peete**

A girl tells what it is like living with her twin brother who has autism and sometimes finds it hard to communicate with words, but who, in most ways, is just like any other boy.

### ***All My Stripes: A Story for Children with***

***Autism***

By Shaina Rudolph

**E Rudolph**

This is the story of Zane, a zebra with autism, who worries that his differences make him stand out from his peers. With guidance from his mother, Zane learns that autism is only one of many qualities that make him special.

### ***Isaac and His Amazing Asperger Superpowers***

By Melanie Walsh

**E Walsh**

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.

## **Chapter Books**

### ***Anything but Typical***

By Nora Raleigh Baskin

**J Baskin**

Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he tries to make sense of his world.

### ***Autism, the Invisible Cord: A Sibling's Diary***

By Barbara S. Cain

**J Cain**

Follows 14-year-old Jenny as she describes her day-to-day life with her younger autistic brother, Ezra.

### ***The Categorical Universe of Candice Phee***

By Barry Jonsberg

**J Jonsberg**

Candice is a twelve-year-old optimist, with a literal mind, the very best of intentions, and an unwavering determination to fix all the problems of her family, friends, pets, and everyone in her life.

### ***Rules***

By Cynthia Lord

**J Lord**

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.

### ***Nobody's Perfect***

By Marlee Matlin

**J Matlin**

Megan, a popular and outgoing fourth-