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A popular middle-grade writer moves to chapter books with this humorous tale about a cat that makes Grumpy Cat seem cheerful. Perfect for fans of Geronimo Stilton and Dog Diaries.

Hissy Fitz lives with some two-legged creatures who are destined to serve him in every possible way and understand his every whim. Sadly, these creatures are sorely lacking in their skills. For one thing--they touch him when *they* want to touch him. Don't they know that the two-legged are there for him to touch when he wants to--meaning when he wants food? Petting wakes him up! They speak to him--don't they know the two-legged should be seen--so Hissy knows where to order food--and not heard?! It's becoming intolerable. What is this irascible cat to do?

Hissy Fitz Details

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From Reader Review Hissy Fitz for online ebook

Jen says

This was a cute book, though I have to say, the kid Zeb was a MONSTER. He really needed better discipline and maybe medication. He was TOO much.

If I was Hissy, I would have been a hissing, unhappy cat myself. If I wasn't able to get the sleep I needed, I would be hissing and scratching too.

I think this is a good book for much younger readers to get to see how cats need rest and respect and that if they don't get the rest they need, they can be unhappy. I liked how Zeb had a much calmer twin Abe, to show a better way to be around cats.

Though I do think it is a bit easier for cats to fall asleep with noise than Hissy found, it was cute.

The one thing I didn't like was the outdoor cat thing. Cats need to be indoors to keep them safe. When I was younger, we had outdoor cats, but that was because they were strays that we took in and they were used to roaming. After one died from poison, we think that she had licked up anti-freeze, we brought them all in. I still regret to this day that they were outdoor cats. She wouldn't have died then. We were new cat "owners" then and didn't know any better. So I'm not happy with Hissy and all of his friends being outdoor cats. The "cage match" with the raccoon was really scary to me. Hissy's ear was torn. If he was bitten and the raccoon had rabies...very different end to the story.

Also, Hissy ACTED like he had rabies when he was prowling down the middle of the sidewalk and attacking anything that moved. I know as an adult, I wouldn't have stood for it and I would have been going to Hissy's owners with some demands that Hissy be kept indoors to keep others safe.

But they were both lousy parents and lousy pet owners, so I doubt anything good would come from locking Hissy in with that monster of a child. (shudder)

3.5 stars, rounded down, because of the outdoor cat thing. I would recommend this for younger readers who have a difficult time understanding how to treat animals. This may help them to empathize with cats better.

My thanks to NetGalley and Egmont USA for an eARC copy of this book to read and review.

Erik This Kid Reviews Books says

Synopsis- Hissy Fitz is definitely the master of his house. So how come Georgie, the young girl he lives with, can't seem to tell when he wants to sleep, and talks and pets him nonstop! And the grown male in the house bangs on wood at the worst possible moments – when all Hissy wants to do is sleep and be left alone. And, Zeb, the littlest, is always yelling at and chasing Hissy – well, really anytime, but especially when Hissy wants to sleep! When will this grouchy cat ever get a chance to take a cat-nap in the house of the noisy Fitz family?

What I Thought- This was a cute and funny book. Hissy is the ultimate grumpy cat, not stopping for a second

to slice at, growl at, and HISS at the annoying 2 legged creatures that live with him. The story is funny, and brings out the very cat-like personality in Hissy. Hissy is a lazy, fat, grumpy, silver-blue cat. There are some funny illustrations scattered throughout the book. They add humor to the story. This is an excellent choice for young advanced readers who are just becoming independent. Mr. Jennings has written a very well-done story that I enjoyed reading.

NOTE I got a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review

Dena (Batch of Books) says

What a fun book! I read this to my kids before bed and they always begged for another chapter. My kids found Hissy to be a funny character that they could laugh with. They especially enjoyed his dreams when he managed to catch a few minutes' sleep.

The entire story revolves around an afternoon and night in the life of a sleep deprived cat. Hissy spends every word of the story looking for a safe, quiet place to nap, but his human family is too noisy. Once night falls, his hunting instinct switches on, making it impossible to sleep. At one point, the sleep deprivation becomes too much for Hissy—who is a grump to begin with—and he goes on a rampage.

If you have a child age 7-9, this is a great book to read independently or together. My daughter (7) is currently rereading it, and enjoying it just as much the second time around!

Content: Clean

Source: I received a copy of this book from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

My blog: Batch of Books

Carol Royce Owen says

Yes, this is me, owner of four cats, the one that people send cat videos to and birthday cards with cats on them, giving a book about a cat a bad rating. The book is Hissy Fitz by Patrick Jennings. Sorry, Hissy Fitz, I'm just not a fan. You're just too much of a nasty cat. Hissy lives with a family of five - Mom, Dad, 8-year old Georgie who dotes over Hissy (even when Hissy is not so nice to her), and twin boys, Zeb and Abe. Hissy's problem is that he is sleep deprived. Living in a house with 5 humans can be awfully noisy, and with all this noise, Hissy can't sleep. Now Hissy, yes, I can understand your need to run away from Zeb, the hyperactive 3 year old who would probably do you bodily harm if he ever catches you, but really, did you have to be so nasty to Georgie just because she wants to talk. Most cats love to cuddle with their owners and listen to their ramblings, purring contently as their fur is stroked. Why you even resent sweet, quiet Abe, who softly wishes you a "good night and sweet dreams" from his bunny puppet, Medium Sad Guy, and then himself? You're just a cat who needs a major attitude adjustment. And don't get me started about the way you treated your friends - Igloo, Quiche, and Sid? Shame.

Although, I'd like to see the illustrations to this book (I have an ARC that I've been reading from that didn't have most of the illustrations), I really don't see myself buying this book for my classroom unless I can get it for pretty cheap. Even the Grumpy Cat books haven't been a big hit with my kids, so I'm not sure if it would

be appealing or not. If you are of a mind to get this, it's meant for about 2nd -4th grade. I just think there's a whole lot better cat books out there to enjoy. Let me know if you need recommendations!

Susana says

Warning: Sleep deprived cat goes on a tantrum

This is an okay story for a _much_ younger crowd...especially one that is already used to cats peculiar way of acting, and thinking (aka, kids who won't be forever traumatized by this insane, scary cat who attacks kids and steals their sneakers!).

This arc edition has most of its inside art pictures missing, so I can't comment on them.

Besides that, there isn't much more that I can say about this novella, besides wishing that Hissy's voice didn't sound so mature.

And human.

Moral of the story: Just let the cat sleep!

Susan Johnston says

Princess Fuzzypants here, Literary Maine Coon kitty. Who better to review a book written by a cat than another cat. While Hissy Fitz does have some anger management problems, he is horribly misunderstood. His humans, with the exception of one incredibly annoying child who would drive the most docile kitty to lash out, are a pretty good lot. They love him, purrhaps too much.

All Hissy wants to do is catch up on his sleep. Is that so hard to understand? But between petting, external noises and that obnoxious child, every time he nods off, somepawdy wakes him up. I mean what is a cat to do?

When they are all asleep, he escapes the house and meets up with his fellow felines. They have a wonderful, albeit exhausting, time. He is even able to unleash some of his built up aggressions in a game and a battle with a raccoon.

Kitties all over will recognize some of the trials and tribulations we kitties experience. Humans will enjoy this too, whether young or old. Two paws up and five purrs.

MaoMeow1035 says

4th to 5th grade level

This book shows you what a cat thinks of an everyday life for him/her. This book seems like the cat always has a bad day. Hissy Fitz, the cat, lives in a family that he thinks is trying to bother him. He has even rated the members. There is the father who is nice, but fails to realize that his carpeting job is making hissy lack on sleep. Then there is the mom who is very nice to him and sometimes understands what the cat wants. There is Georgie who is a very nice girl who loves hissy but talks like crazy. Lastly, there are the twins. One is Zeb who is very chaotic and disturbing. The other twin, Abe, is the opposite... very calm and quiet. He treats the cat very nicely and does not bother hissy at all.

Bill says

Meet Hissy Fitz, one cat with a nasty attitude. Why? Constantly harassed by 3 year old Zeb; talked to death by older sister, Georgie, Hissy spends a lot of his time well, hissing.

And you know? After a bunch of pages this gets kind of boring – all the cats we have had have been creative, inventive full of naps to be sure, but almost always up for messing around, playing, making up games with another cat, mischievous.

Patrick Jennings must have realized this – he tries to rescue the book with a middle of the night ‘soccer’ game played by neighborhood cats, and a snack or two in a dumpster, but Hissy must be one boring cat.

Why boring? All he thinks about is sleep – all right, who can blame him? But tell me this – he can’t find one place where he can nap in peace and quiet? That’s what I call dull...and sadly a lot of this book is too.

Kelly (and the Book Boar) says

Find all of my reviews at: <http://52bookminimum.blogspot.com/>

Did I really just give a children's book a 1 Star rating. Yep. Am I sorry?

The blurb told me *Hissy Fitz* would be a "humorous tale about a cat that makes Grumpy Cat seem cheerful." It was not. I decided to pick up some ARCs of children's books because I'm always on the hunt for stories that I can recommend/purchase for friends or ones that my youngest child might enjoy. Sadly, I found the tale of one day of Hissy Fitz's life to be dull and I have a hard time imagining what kind of magical child would be able to finish this book without complaints of boredom.

Hissy Fitz just wants to get some sleep, but instead he spends his day avoiding the excessive snuggling of his young female owner and being tormented by her younger brother. Not only do these humans not know when to leave a guy alone, but they aren't aware of the rules when it comes to petting, food and water distribution, and appropriate noise levels either. Based on the synopsis, I had my hopes set on something much more similar to the hilarious *Sad Cat Diary* and this story just didn't deliver.

I also had a bit of a problem with the 100% **undisciplined** hellion brother ("time outs aren't allowed" - seriously parents? and you wonder why your kid is a butthole!) and the fact that Hissy Fitz was an indoor/outdoor cat who lived in a city with acknowledged dangers such as busy streets, traffic, and enemies such as the evil raccoon. I'll refrain from getting on a soapbox regarding the whole indoor/outdoor cat debate further. There could have been a small chance for redemption if the artwork would have been good, but sadly the artwork was not provided. Note to authors/publishers: It's hard to review an ARC that isn't complete.

I'm bummed that this one missed the mark, 'cause I luuuuuv me some kittehs. Here are some pictures of how *my* cats spend their day to prove it:

GOOD MORNING, VIETNAM!

Checking out the options on the breakfast buffet

The first rule about fight club is we don't talk about fight club

Therapy session with his "dearest" friend

Don't ask/don't tell

This book is soooooo boring

Aahhhhh, finally get some sleep on the best "seat" in the house

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Melissapalmer404 says

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Hissy Fitz by Patrick Jennings (YA)

This is a cute read for upper elementary and middle school students. Hissy is a cat who just wants a quiet house so he can catch up on his sleep. That being said, he lives with a noisy family with a carpenter dad and three active children. When tired, Hissy gets, well, hissy. At night he ventures out into the neighborhood to try to work off his excess energy. This is a good read for young cat lovers. I borrowed this book from my public library.

<http://melissasbookpicks.blogspot.com>

Carolyn Injoy says

Hissy Fitz by Patrick Jennings I received a free kindle copy of Hissy Fitz by Patrick Jennings, published by Edgmont, USA from NetGalley in exchange for a fair review.

I gave this delightful story about a cranky, disgruntled cat five stars. It's about a family cat turned into a

raging tiger by lack of sleep. I selected this book because I grew up in the South where a 'hissy fit' was something to behold. I smiled when it turned out that Hissy was the sleep-deprived cat that lived with the Fitz family.

This story describes a day where he seeks, without success, a place to sleep uninterrupted. He has a grand adventure that culminates with a cat soccer team before going home & going to bed.

After Hissy battles a racoon in a garbage dumpster & gaining the best of the animal, Hissy reports: "While it waits, it can think about the mistakes it's made, including the damage it did to the ear of Hissy Fitz, Panther of the Night."

It's written for ages twelve & up. I think it would be equally as entertaining with younger children, although some young ones might be frightened by a puffed-up frustrated feline that spits & scratches. Interestingly enough, I liked the illustrations in the advanced reading copy better than the finished drawings.

Link to purchase: <http://www.amazon.com/Hissy-Fitz-Patr...>

Shera says

Rating by Bradynn

Susan Kaplan says

Poor Hissy Fitz (the cat). He is a fine and lovable cat, with refined tastes, which means he hisses frequently if his demands, which are many, are not met. He tries to live a relaxed, serene cat life with the Fitz family, only to have his rest continually disrupted by noise, pouncing children, and the usual catastrophes felines have to endure. He has severe insomnia from this constant barrage of misfortune, and the more he cannot sleep, the grouchier and hissier he becomes. Luckily Hissy has a good group of cat buddies who introduce him to soccer, and he finally gets worn out enough to get his well-deserved rest.

I am owned by many cats and I thought this book was not only hysterical, but an accurate portrayal of how difficult a cat's life can be (from a cat point of view). Written in the first person by Hissy himself, I laughed out loud as he described the challenges of getting food (wet, not dry, and even better if it is human food fetched from a Dumpster), petting preferences (cheeks, not tail), fending off dogs, and the eternal quest to find a good place to sleep. Since my cats sleep anywhere and anytime, in a quiet, solo adult household, I really felt for poor Hissy as he tried to find comfort in his chaotic world.

While this is a book for children, I enjoyed it immensely and think it is a book for children and cat lovers of all ages. Dog people would enjoy it, too, as it provides grist for the "dogs are better than cats" mill.

I received this book from NetGalley in exchange for a review. As it was an e-book ARC, most of the illustrations were not included. However, those that were are fantastic. Hissy is definitely a cat with purrsonality.

Lesa says

Who knew a cat's life was so frustrating? This is a charming little tale about the quintessential grumpy cat who can't seem to catch a nap.

Martha says

Hissy Fitz, the cat owned by eight-year-old Georgie, is truly a nasty feline. Whenever he doesn't get his way he hisses and scratches. His impatience is understandable when the reader considers his habitat, a home with three young lively children. Georgie loves her cat Hissy, sometimes giving him no privacy for his much needed naps during the day, a necessity for his nocturnal lifestyle. His worst challenge is loud Zeb, the three-year-old aggressive twin who loves to chase and grab Hissy, playing with him roughly. His favorite family member is Abe the quiet intuitive twin who is gentle and protective. All in all between his nights on the town fighting with other cats and his general dislike for human activity, Hissy embodies all of the characteristics many people dislike about cats. However his clever musings, "As I said, I like Georgie. I also like napping, and I almost never get enough sleep. It's because I live in this house, with the noisy Fitz family, with this noisy, clueless girl." Owners of cats will relate to this humorous story told from Hissy's point of view, if you don't like cats you might not appreciate Hissy's antics.
