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It's summer vacation, the weather's great, and all the kids are having fun outside. So where's Greg Heffley? Inside his house, playing video games with the shades drawn.

Greg, a self-confessed "indoor person," is living out his ultimate summer fantasy: no responsibilities and no rules. But Greg's mom has a different vision for an ideal summer . . . one packed with outdoor activities and "family togetherness."

Whose vision will win out? Or will a new addition to the Heffley family change everything?

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Mrs. says

Plan to finish this today! I like this much better than "The Last Straw". Anyone out there who has read the Wimpy Kid series agree or disagree? So far, my favorite part is Rowley thinking that Greg's family is rich because they ran out of toilet paper and were using Christmas napkins until Dad went to get more TP. Been there done that!

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Sandy Trand says

If you would want to know how a life of a unfortanate teenager goes? Then read the Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days. It is about a kid who is in middle school and faces a lot of problems. He faces pretty much faces all the problems you could think of. The main character Greg Heffrey is stuck as a middle child and a social outcast. His younger brother Manny and his older brother Rodrick drive him absulutly nuts with their crazy ways of doing things. His best friend Rowlery Jefferson and own a lot of money to Rowlery's dad because of unwise spending at a country club. They decided to create a summer lawn care to help pay for the money that they own to Rowlery's dad. When their summer bussiness goes horribly wrong Greg finds himself in a rut. Read the book to find out what more happens to a horrible summer for Greg.

Sarah says

This hilariously sharp comic book is written from the perspective of 11 year-old Greg, whose canny jokes and observations have become a series of popular books. Dog Days chronicles Greg's Summer holiday, which he wants to spend playing video games in his room, with the curtains shut and a cover over his head. Greg's mum, however, seems to think that Summer holidays should be spent doing 'useful things' such as running around outside, spending time with one's family and visiting the local pool.

Through daily entries the reader follows Greg as he gets into mischief at his friend's luxury poolhouse, managing to offend staff with his helpful recommendations of how to improve service and ends up banned, with a huge smoothie tab to pay off. It seems that the only solution is for Greg to spend his Summer holidays working off the debt. Dog Days is packed full of humour and manages to highlight just how differently parents and children see the world. I would recommend this book for Y4 or Y5 children of all reading abilities, however, the diary layout, informal language and relaxed style of the book make it a particularly fantastic resource for less confident readers across upper KS2.

Archit Ojha says

And Dog Days they are.

Dog days : noun

" When everything you do, the universe somehow conspires to undo. "

- My very own dog, Eva [in the figure above]

There is a new pet in the family and bringing something into the family without the wife's consent is a bad idea.

Bringing "something alive" is suicide. Regardless to say Sweetie did not survive the entire book without being shipped.

Humor is all yours to loot.

The hatred for the comic galvanizing Greg and Mr. Heffley is something we can very much relate to. Emergency phone is a bogus phone. And *Reading is not so fun* when your mom makes you read stuff that became obsolete.

Rolled over the sides reading this one.

Mr Kinney,

Jacob R. says

This book in my opinion is great. It takes us back to those good old days of elementary and middle school. Even knowing a few of these events have actually happened to us. Filling sorry for the kid one second laughing at his weird side the next, this book will keep you reading.

THis book relates to our lives in many ways, it reminds of those kids that were kind of off, and tells us some of there stories. Of course, these stories get as off and crazy, sometimes i even wonder if there is a plot! After that though, I believe any age would love this book.

I would only recommend this book to people that can find immaturity funny. Even though I said any age would love it, if you were straight minded and dull you would most likely find this book to be a nuisance.

The literary elements in this story are, imagery and and alot of figurative language. The real reason it has imagery is simply because it shows pictures to show us each scene. Its figurative language consist of similes and of onomatopeas, that is what is in this book.

All in all, the book is a want to read. It might not keep you on the edge of the seat only because you will be falling out of it laughing.

Kittykat797 says

I personally think that this one is the best one out of the whole entire series!!

Jennifer Wardrip says

Reviewed by Kira M for TeensReadToo.com

Greg Heffley wants to spend his summer indoors, relaxing, playing video games with his friend, Rowley, and watching late-night horror films. His mom has other ideas, however. She wants him to spend time with the family, improving his education, and playing outdoors.

Greg tries to implement his ideas of summer, but without much success. He tries to spend time with Rowley kicking back at his friend's father's country club, but gets permanently uninvited when he accidentally tells the clubhouse manager his complaints about the place's service. Things only get worse when his mom tells him he has to find a way to pay off half of the smoothie bill he and Rowley racked up.

When Greg's father comes home with a dog that won't leave him alone, he's soon at his wits end. With failed attempts to earn money, a falling out with his best friend, and a crazy dog, will Greg ever survive summer? Will he find some way to make this into a great summer, despite the rocky start?

This fourth installment is an excellent addition to the other three stories. Greg's true character really comes out in this novel as he discovers who he is, learns to balance everything that's going on, and takes an easy-going approach to life. The illustrations are well-done and only add to the book's humor.

Avid and reluctant readers alike who have loved the other DIARY OF A WIMPY KID books, who like humorous stories, or who prefer reading realistic fiction will all enjoy this one.

Kenny Hernandez says

Greg has went to vaticon with with his best friend and greg got to go to got on the ride of his life . He scared the life out of hem.

Ahmad Sharabiani says

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Pooja says

Does the same person Gregory got troubles with, in his life ever going to stop their encounter with him?

No!

And that's where the fun lies!

Gregory is having a summer time playing video game all day long. While his family is running after him to do something in summer.

His dad brings a dog to the family! Uh Uh He should have probably checked with his wife first! It's a family decision, isn't it?

Manny gets the dog saying Sweetie, and that's that!

Everyone is as fun as never before. Such a humorous read!

Tej P says

Diary Of A Wimpy Kid Dog Days

By: Jeff Kinney

Realistic Fiction

216 Pages

Diary Of A Wimpy Kid Dog Days is a book about A kid named Greg Heffley. He is funny. This book is about how Greg Heffley spends his summer. But Greg Heffley doesn't spend his summer out side. He stays inside and plays video games. But Greg's mom doesn't like him playing video games. But she thinks of having family vacation and doing activities together. Greg and his friend Rowley do weird stuff during summer vacation. Greg's mom has a club thing called Reading is Fun. But Greg thinks his mom is weird. This book is really funny.

I really like this book because it is funny. I like books that have humor. My favorite part was when Greg and his dad go to the pool and they have to go past the shower rooms and there are guys that are showering. Also when it was Greg's birthday, His uncle Joe's dog Killer ate his cake before he could eat it. In this book there are somethings that have also happen to me. Like my mom telling me to go play out side instead of sitting in front of the t.v. and playing video games. And I also recommend this book to people that haven't read this

book and this book will be my favorite book I've every read.

Eddy N says

This book is the 4th edition of the diary of a wimpy kid. It talks about how greg in is normal life explains everyday moment he spends and reflects on it. Greg's dream is to stay home and play video games but his mom disapproves with that so she kicks him out of the house the whole day so he could go and play games. Greg didn't like that idea he was just thinking staying home playing video games with chips and the curtains closed.

I can make a text to text connection on this book because works hard the whole entire school year and wants to be let go by his parents as in no rules and no responsibilities. Greg is an indoor person, i can relate to Greg's feelings and thought because me too when i go to my grandma and grandpa i just want to go play video games with some friends and sleepover at their house.

If i were to rate this book i would give it 5 even above because it was so good. I would recommend this book to someone who wants to have fun in life and understand the facts about boys. I would not recommend this book to people who are clean freaks and hard workers because it would definitely disagree with their lifestyle.

[Shai] The Bibliophage says

I was expecting that this 4th book could have loads of funny stories of Greg with a dog(s). I know expected too much but despite that, I did enjoy the diary entries written. I was just a little disappointed that Greg and his family didn't have that many happy memories with Sweetie while the dog is with them. But at least, his Grandma was able to keep the dog in the end. Maybe some are not really a dog person/people after all.

RandomAnthony says

I read this entire book on the sidelines of my eleven year old son's football game on a freezing October day in Wisconsin. I laughed so hard at parts that I think I disturbed some of the more intense observers of said game. That's ok. Middle school football is boring.

My favorite scenes from the book:

1. The idea that the wimpy kid and his dad are united in their hatred of a comic strip,
2. The email the wimpy kid sends his mom when he's on vacation with another family,
3. The one time he uses his emergency cell phone,
4. The hilariously weird "reading is fun" club his mom tries to start,

and

5. How much the wimpy kid hates the public pool's locker room.

If Calvin (you know, of *Calvin and Hobbes*) got a little older he'd probably sound like the wimpy kid. I can

see why so many kids I know love him.
