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**From Judy Blume, bestselling author of *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*!**

Fans young and old will laugh out loud at the irrepressible wit of Peter Hatcher, the hilarious antics of mischievous Fudge, and the unbreakable confidence of know-it-all Sheila Tubman in Judy Blume's five Fudge books. Brand-new covers adorn these perennial favorites, and will entice a whole new generation of Fudge—and Judy Blume—fans.

“As a kid, Judy Blume was my favorite author, and *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* was my favorite book.”—Jeff Kinney, author of the bestselling Wimpy Kid series

## Superfudge Details

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## From Reader Review Superfudge for online ebook

### Kim says

I introduced Aidan to chapter books and the wonderful world of Judy Blume this week. We read it aloud every night before bed, and it was such fun to see him enjoy a book I loved as a child. It was also wonderful to watch him begin to understand that books can be just as enjoyable without pictures.

Superfudge brought the same laughs it did when I was a kid, but, reading it as a parent, I definitely found myself irritated at some points - lots of people telling one another to shut up, lots of name calling - stupid, dummy, etc. While I get that this is reality, with an impressionable six-year-old it wasn't exactly what I was hoping to see.

Warning to parents who may read this to young children - one part of the book entails a conversation about Santa not being real. It would be difficult for parent to help a child continue to believe in the myth after reading that section. My sister reminded me about this part (I had totally forgotten) and I was able to skip that [small] section without Aidan noticing. Phew!

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### Ola says

Holy Shnikes, I've forgotten how funny the Fudge books are. Some of the one-liners here are KILLER.

A new baby is born into the Hatcher family. Peter's family moves to Princeton for a trial year, to see if they prefer it over the city. Naturally all sorts of shenanigans occur---courtesy of Farley Drexel Hatcher himself.

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### Riley J says

Farley Drexel Hatcher, otherwise known as Fudge, Plans to be a bird when he grows up. As far as his older brother Peter Hatcher is concerned Fudge will grow up to be a big pain in the butt. Having to deal with Fudge has been hard enough now that there's a whole nother set of problems for Peter to deal with. His parents have made a decision to move to New Jersey for a year. And on the way his mom is having a baby. How do you think Peters going to survive with Fudge AND the new baby? Read on to find out. This book is about a family with a lot of problems and fun, along with some laughter. Laugh along while reading!

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### Greg says

In third grade or maybe it was second, I don't remember, but I had the same teacher for both grades so it's irrelevant to the story; so anyway in whatever grade, second or third, my teacher started to read from *Superfudge* to the class every Friday afternoon. The class got enthralled in the book, and getting a hold of the book from the school library was a pretty impressive feat since everyone in the class wanted the one copy. I can still remember exactly where on the shelf it would have sat if the book had ever actually been in, but

trying to get this book became something on an obsession of mine, going to the shelf to see if the book was there on every library trip. Even after I finally did get a hold of the book from the library (when I was in fourth grade (or third), I think that the teacher actually had taken out the elusive only copy of the book to read to us from), I would still check on the status of the book being in or out everytime I stopped in the library. This book I hold as my first book obsession, and even though it never dawned on me to just go to the local bookstore, or maybe town library to get a copy, it still paved the way for many later obsessions with various books and getting them into my greedy little hands so that I could covet them forever and ever (this almost makes it sound like a stole the book, which I did not. Actually I never even owned this book, I only read it twice, both times by taking it out of the library like a person does. It wrong to steal from libraries anyway. Really really wrong.)

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### **Jennahua2000 says**

Fudge,Peter,Elaine,Joanne,Alex, and Jimmy went to the movies then Peter and Joanne fall in love when first Joanne offers peter some of his popcorn and touch hands then when Peter offers Joanne some popcorn too they touch hands again then right when the super man kisses Lois Lane Peter felt something icy cold go down his back Fudge was hanging in the back of my seat with a handful of ice cubes from his coke and said "Hi pee tah" and then Joanne offers Peter a kleenex. Then peter asked if she could wipe his back and neck when she was done she was holding peters hand. when peter was walking home with Alex and Jimmy Alex said so how does it feel like being in love?Later at school Mr.Bogner brought in a sprig of mistletoe

Alex rasied his hand and said who ever goes under it gets kissed and when the school bell rang he found him self next to Joanne they looked at each other and Joanne kissed Peter on the cheek.

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### **Rebecca says**

I remember reading Judy Blume when I was younger and while I wasn't crazy about it, I enjoyed reading her books. All grown up and I find that my taste in books has not changed a jolt. So although I enjoyed some aspects of the book, such as Fudge and his funny lines or his silly ways ( I especially enjoyed when he put stamps all over his little sister) I found a lot of it to be easily forgetable and predictable. I also felt that it was out-dated in parts. For example, tapes were mentioned and the "new" law about picking up after your dog. I felt that for my book group of 9-12 year old girls, this would be too young. Knowing how grown-up these girls tend to be, I would suggest this book be for 8 to 10 year olds. Also, as it is a mother-daughter book group this book would be for, I want more female leads that the girls can identify with. Needless to say there are not many of these in the book, barr Peter and Fudge's mother.

So overall, while I found this book funny at times, I felt it wasn't right for my particular group so it will not be used. However, I would reccommend this book to those children who have younger siblings they often complain about- they will be grateful they don't have fudge as a little brother after reading this!

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### **Jadin says**

When my children were young, 13, 7 & 6, I would read out loud to them for half an hour every night while my husband watched TV. He watched a program that wasn't so great for kids. The children and I were reading this book and we laughed and laughed so much that one night my Husband came into the bedroom and sat on the bed with us. Every night after that all five of us piled on the bed and listened to the hilarious exploits of Peter and Fudge. This is a unique book that spanned all ages and made us all laugh until our sides ache. Superfudge remains one of my favorite books of all time.

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### **Anna says**

Superfudge by Judy Blume is a story about a boy named Peter Hatcher, his mother and father, his little brother Fudge, and his little sister Tootsie. When Peter's family moves to Princeton for a year, Peter is faced with new challenges, such as a new school and new friends and his crazy little brother Fudge who gets kicked out of a kindergarten class. During Peter's time in Princeton he must learn how much he values his family and what they mean to him. This book is very relatable to children, just like most Judy Blume books and I think that young children, and children that have younger siblings, or have to move would really enjoy this book.

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### **Daniela I. says**

One day Peter was in his room until his mother shout out "TIME FOR DINNER!" So he rushed downstairs. Then his smaller brother named Fudge . And he rushed downstairs as quickly as he could because he wanted to beat his little brother. So Fudge tried to beat Peter downstairs first but, Peter won Fudge. In addition his mother and father told him and his little brother that they are going to have another baby on the house. So

Peter got so really angry at his mother and father so goes upstairs to his room .He went upstairs because he didn't want a sister. Then when the baby arrived from the hospital Fudge liked her but, Peter didn't and he hated her because she would be crying all night. So I think that you may enjoy SuperFudge because this is a funny story and you will see it is so funny that you are going to laugh all day.

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### **Megan says**

4th-5th grade (independent reading)

Blume does such an excellent job with her books. They are an absolute joy to read. Superfudge was full of what a fourth or fifth grader wants, a fun and interesting plot, characters they can relate with, and text they can understand. The plot of Superfudge had twists and turns from the new baby's arrival to moves to and from the country. At the ages suggested above, children may relate if they have the same circumstances going on in their own lives. The characters of Superfudge are also easy to identify in a fifth or fourth grader's own life. They may have a best friend who sells worms or a little brother who they can not stand. This book has an easy appeal to any student who is into realistic fictional books because Blume makes it so fun to read.

Language Arts/Science

Students could study the life of worms and their regeneration process.

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### **Leyla says**

This book taught me how to handle younger annoying siblings and moving to another place is not easy .I congratulate Peter for doing such a good job in handling younger siblings and handling the stress of moving, changing schools, and changing friends.

I read this book in fourth grade and it really touched me and changed the way my brother and I get along.

Peter has to move and has a very annoying brother . When he thought anything else could go wrong he gets informed the family is welcoming someone .

I like Peter because he wants a to be with his friends and schools. But on the way to his goal he gets through obstacles will the obstacles stop him from achieving its goal.

Will he ever survive?

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### **midnightfaerie says**

Superfudge by Judy Blume is the third book in her Fudge series. Although entertaining and a nice addition, it's definitely for older children. While I could get away with reading the first and second book in the series to my five-year-old, this one had several sections I had to "fudge" over a bit. From the chapter on discovering where babies come from to the chapter on uncovering the truth about Santa Claus, you can tell this is very much a book from a sixth grader's point of view. I remember loving them when I was in fourth grade, but I was older. I think we'll hold off on finishing this series for a bit especially since I have so many others that I can't wait to read with my son. From Matilda and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald

Dahl, to the Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis, there's a huge stack of wonderful stories on my shelf waiting to be shared with my son. As for the Fudge series, it's still a beloved story in our house. So much so, that we've taken to calling my two-year-old twins Fudge 1 and Fudge 2. I highly recommend the series, just make sure you read them first if you want to share them with a younger child.

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### **Scott Rhee says**

"Superfudge" is the sequel to Judy Blume's great classic "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing" and it is as good if not better than the first book. I remember reading this book until the pages started falling out, so I just threw a couple rubber bands around it to hold them in. I hope to someday share these wonderful books with my own kids...

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### **Michael Goode4 says**

I really enjoyed the book "Superfudge" by Judy Blume. This book is now in my top five kids books. Judy does a great job of keeping your attention to the book. Fudge is a five-year-old and makes this book very interesting. Peter, Fudge's older brother, is now in the fifth grade. He thinks he is the best because Fudge looks up to him. Their family moved, and the first day at their new school Fudge called the teacher "Rat Face." He then got kicked out of that class and moved to a different classroom. If you want a good laugh, this is the book for you. I recommend this book to third grade to eighth grade students.

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### **Robert Owens says**

Teachers learn from books like this one. One should never read a book cold with children. I have made that mistake a few times in my career.

We had read Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing. Wouldn't it be fine to read the sequel? Absolutely not!

We were halfway through. I read ahead some for the next few days and stumbled across a classic Judy Blume event. Yeah, the discussion of Christmas was highly uncomfortable for me. As a fourth grade teacher, I do not want to be the one who gives up the ghost. There is absolutely no need for that in this book, yet there it is! This infuriates me to no end. I now read none of the Fudge books because I can never recall which one is "problematic", so they all are off the reading list.

Curse you, Judy Blume!

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### **Danylle DuPris says**

"Superfudge" by Judy Blume was a good book. I liked it, because it was an easy read, and also funny. Peter is the oldest sibling in the house. Fudge is Peters little brother. Peter and Fudge like each other, but as

siblings, they don't really get along. Peters mom and dad want to have a talk with him. He goes into the dining room by them and sits down. They tell him they're having another baby. Peter doesn't like this. Once he tells Fudge this, he won't like it either. Fudge through a huge fit and told his parents to get rid of it. Another Fudge!? He doesn't get along with the sibling he does have. What is he going to do with another one?

Peter and Fudge have a lot of ups and downs in this book. They both love each other, but it's hard to get along with one another. They're going to be having another sibling join the family, and they don't like the idea to much. As their little sister comes along they learn to like her. They don't think she's to bad after all. When she's sleeping.

"Superfudge" takes place in New Jersey present day, and around the town. New Jersey is important in this book, because it has certain places and areas that Fudge and Peter go that really explain what it's like there.

There are a lot of themes in "Superfudge", but the one to stand out more is loving what you have. Peter and Fudge don't want a little sister around, but learn that she is now apart of the family, and they can't get rid of her. They can only love her. They came to realize that she's not that bad, and can be really funny at times

I would recommend "Superfudge" by Judy Blume to anyone in middle school and high school. It's a quick easy read, but you will also enjoy reading the book.

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### **Hafsa Sabira says**

The book started with such a nice surprise and had such a promising plot but it just fell all out of place by the end of the book. Honestly, the first book was the best book in this series. I like how Fudge is still a little bit mischievous here but the way he talks or the way he behaves, suggests a little kid acting strange because of trying to seek attention. There's no innocence or beauty in this behaviour.

It felt like reading a new book having completely new characters whom I don't know at all. I miss Peter and I miss Fudge.

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### **Gordon Elijah says**

I like the part in "Superfudge" when Peter moved with his family for a year or two to Princeton. I also like the part when Peter and Jimmy Fargo made the deal before he moved to Princeton, and they both broke the promise so Peter and Jimmy Fargo both don't have to feel bad anymore for breaking their promises because now they both know that they both broke the promise. I also like the part when they go trick-or-treating and Peter took Fudge's phantom costume and then Fudge was like, "Hey, that's mine!" And Peter said, "If you don't let me wear it, you'll have to go trick-or-treating with your parents like the other kindergarten babies." The reason Peter was wearing Fudge's costume was because he saw his friend Alex wearing a costume which was a painting called Ante's Anger, which Jimmy Fargo's dad painted. It has two black circles and one red square and the red square was from Jimmy Fargo's mom who splattered it when she got angry and then got divorced from Jimmy Fargo's dad.

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## **Brenda says**

Originally published in 1980, this story is about the relationship between brothers Peter and Fudge. Being the younger brother and outspoken, Fudge seems to find himself in some very interesting situations making for a outrageously funny story. I especially love that Fudge will say or do whatever comes to mind. In typical six-year old form, he climbs on top of a high shelf refusing to come down when his teacher insists on calling him by his given name. Hilarious. This is a really sentimental book, conjuring up times when boys road their bikes to school or to the lake for a picnic. Lots of fun to read.

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## **Angela says**

This is Judy Blume's sequel to "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing." It's considerably longer than its predecesor, I found it a tad too long. Odd since it covers the events of an entire year in less than 200 pages. It's fast paced and I liked the ending, the ending in fact was the best part of the book. I'm sorry, that came out sounding nasty. I didn't mean I was happy to see it end, just that the ending was well done.

In "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing," Blume takes more time developing the characters. She also ends each chapter more convincingly. I thought some of the endings in this book were kind of abrupt and I wasn't really sure where the story was going most of the time--or what the point of all this was.

Still a good book though, I enjoyed it. That's why I gave it three stars.

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