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My Weirder School weirder than ever!

A hot new reality show, *The Real Teachers of Ella Mentry*, is filming at school. Everybody wants to win the TV show's grand prize! The weird director, Ms. Beard, tells the teachers and students to act normal. Yeah, like that's gonna happen!

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Christine Rains says

A new TV reality show is being filmed at Ella Mentry school, and the teachers have to compete against one another.

It's silly and funny, and my son and I laughed. Yet there was no character development or interesting plot. It was a TV reality show on the pages! Mindless fun.

Alysha DeShaé says

... because you'll never believe who came running into the door at that moment.

Nobody! Why would you want to run into a door? That would hurt. But you'll never believe who came running into the doorway.

I truly laughed. This book was ridiculous, funny, and nonsensically perfect for younger grade-school children. There are plenty of moments where the author slips in a joke like the above that can help teach children precision of language (*The Giver*, anyone?) and what "a saying" is.

Overall, I quite liked it and would recommend the series as classroom books to a few teachers I know.

Lynn says

Zany! It definitely keeps children's attention. The characters are endearing. The plot is age appropriate. Loved it!

Stephanie says

Ms. Beard is weird by Dan Gutman its about a lady that is weird. This lady goes to a school and the kids where looking at her because she was being weird. I did like this book it was funny. Because the lady was really weird. I would recommend this book to people that like funny books.

Dolly says

This is book #5 in the My Weirder School series by Dan Gutman and Jim Paillot, but it's the first one we've read. We finished the My Weird School series and have been skipping around reading the My Weird School Daze books as we come across them at our local library.

This is a bizarre, but entertaining take on the (not-so) reality show phenomenon. The story is humorous and the illustrations are just as comical as ever. We started reading this book together, but then our oldest read the last half of the book aloud and I fell asleep, so I had to finish the rest of it on my own.

I wouldn't say that it's my favorite book of the series, but it was a fun, fast read. We enjoyed reading it together and I'm sure we'll read more of these books soon.

Shelli says

Another fantastically fun book from Dan Gutman and the My Weird School series. Schools across the nation are in a crisis. Funds are being cut left and right for things students and teachers need, and Ella Mentary School is not exempt from these cuts either. Thank goodness for Mr. Klutz, that shiny headed inventive school principle, who finds a way to help out: reality TV! The teachers of Ella Mentary School need to powder their noses and get ready for some Dancing with the Stars, Fear Factor, and American Idol type action. A super fun read for all ages!

Reiley says

I hate it when AJ always says "I'm not going to tell you. Ok, OK, I'll tell you but you have to read the next chapter. So, na-nah-nah boo boo on you." I liked that the teachers had to do challenges to see who would win a prize.

Delaney McHenry says

this book was really good because it was really funny and it was crazy in a good way. this book only took me about 30 minutes to read because it was easy and only had 106 pages and 12 short chapters. I love these books a lot and I am so glad that I read the whole entire series. I am so glad that I read Ms. Beard is wierd

Christine (KizzieReads) says

This one was hilarious! My son and I both had to stop reading because we were laughing so hard!

Sterrett Family says

Shannon says

Not so crazy about this one. It's based around a reality tv show at an elementary school. It has some funny moments, but there's a lot of name-calling and negativity as well; as if the book is trying to be hip with it's negative edge.

Ages 6 and up (Grade 2)

Jnase1 says

The second and third graders at my school love these books. They like that they are funny and use words like "shut up" and "butt" as well as the exaggerated humor, some of which they don't always get. What I like about these books are the many idioms contained within each. It might be fun to make a class book about all the idioms and their meanings contained within each book...and you can also use this time, if you so choose, to address why using the words "shut up" and "butt" in school are frowned upon.

Victoria Hall says

She is funny for making people mud wrestle.

Tanja says

Now I finally know why the series is so popular with my students - the stories are really pretty hilarious, silly and so exaggerated! Plus, they make fun of teachers - what could be more appealing to young readers :)

Liz says

Another book about the kids at Ella Mentry School. Fun and quirky. Filled with kid-appropriate humor. This one was about a Reality TV show being made at their school. The teachers participate in a series of American Idol/Dancing with the Stars/Last Comic Standing competitions. These books are a huge hit at home and at school.