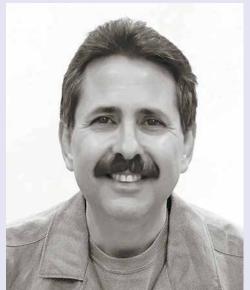
Author Don M. Winn



Don M. Winn is the award-winning author of the Sir Kaye the Boy Knight series of children's chapter books, 13 picture books, and a nonfiction book called *Raising a Child with Dyslexia: What Every Parent Needs to Know.* He is also a keynote speaker and dyslexia advocate. As a dyslexic, who well knows the challenge of learning to love to read, Don hopes to create engaging books for children that will entice even the most reluctant or struggling readers to love stories. His other goal is to educate parents and teachers in order to foster a community of support and understanding of the challenges faced by children with dyslexia. Don's articles on dyslexia have been featured in *TODAY Parenting, The Costco Connection Magazine, MD Monthly, Latin Times, Fostering Families Today,* and many others.

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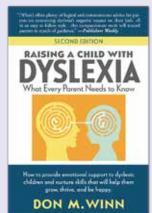
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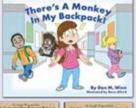
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Special Interests

Shared Reading

Don Winn is an outspoken advocate for promoting early childhood literacy through shared reading. He encourages parents to make time each day to read with their children and talk about what they've read. To help with this, Mr. Winn includes questions at the end of his picture books that parents can use to start conversations with their children about the stories.

Keynote Speaker

Don has been the keynote speaker at the Central Texas Dyslexia Conference, the Hays CISD Dyslexia Conference, the Round Rock ISD Dyslexia Info Session, and many other venues. Find out more on the Keynote Speaker page of his website or view clips from a few of his addresses on the Don Winn YouTube channel.

School Enrichment Programs

Don Winn has organized a program through which local businesses can sponsor his author visits to elementary schools in their own neighborhoods. Learn more about <u>Don Winn's school visit options</u> on his website.

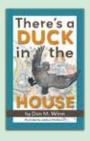
Dyslexia Support

As a dyslexic author, Don Winn encourages awareness and support for dyslexic children and their parents. He remembers how difficult reading was for him as a child, but how much he loved stories. His books engage the imaginations of even the most reluctant and struggling readers. View a collection of his dyslexia articles on his blog. His book, Raising a Child with Dyslexia is available in print, electronic and audio book formats.



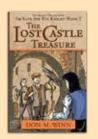
Fortitude, good will, and friendship triumph over pettiness in this enjoyable story.

-Publishers Weekly



A wonderfully illustrated, highly amusing story 6– to 8-year-olds will love. Highly recommended!

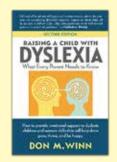
-The Wishing Shelf



A fun way to teach kids about loyalty, trust, perseverance, [and] patience...a definite five-star children's story.

-Readers' Favorite





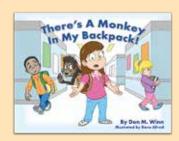
This compassionate work will reward parents in search of guidance.

-Publishers Weekly



Makes the librarian in me want to gather a group of kids, put these books in their hands, and watch the magic happen.

-Kristine Hall, Librarian



Written with a gold-tipped pen! A wonderfully fun and clever way for a dyslexic child to understand why learning can be difficult.

The Wishing Shelf

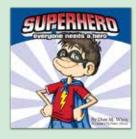


Just the ticket for young children who are exploring their own identities and discovering differences.

-The Midwest Book Review



Books of adventure and challenge that offer an emotional component are hard to come by for middle-grade boys—yet Don Winn hits the mark dead center. —Readers' Favorite



The story; a mere 15 pages long. The lessons learned by reading this story; endless and invaluable.

-Family Review Center



The author does a fantastic job of capturing a little boy's imagination...a funny, fun, and entertaining book for your child. —**Readers' Favorite Review**



A fantastically fun sci-fi romp...the perfect book for any reluctant boy reader.

-The Wishing Shelf

Picture Books

2024 There's a Duck in the House

2019 There's a Monkey in My Backpack

2018 Space Cop Zack, The Lost Treasure of Zandor

2017 Space Cop Zack, GARG's Secret Mission

2013 Space Cop Zack, Protector of the Galaxy

2012 Twitch the Squirrel and the Forbidden Bridge

2011 Chipper and the Unicycle

2010 Chipper the Clown

2010 The Higgledy-Piggledy Pigeon

2010 Superhero

2010 Shelby the Cat

2010 The Incredible Martin O'Shea

2010 The Watch Cat

2009 The Tortoise and the Hairpiece





Awards

2019 There's a Monkey in My Backpack, Distinguished Favorite NYC Big Book Award

2018 Space Cop Zack, GARG's Secret Mission, UK Wishing Shelf Book Award, Silver

2015 Space Cop Zack, Protector of the Galaxy, UK Wishing Shelf Book Award, Gold

2014 Space Cop Zack, Protector of the Galaxy, Readers' Favorite Book Award

2014 Space Cop Zack, Protector of the Galaxy, Family Review Center Seal of Approval

2014 Superhero, Family Review Center, Gold Medal

2014 Superhero, Family Review Center, Best of the Year

All Picture Books, Mom's Choice Award





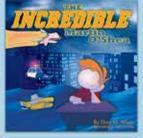








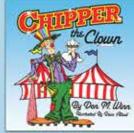




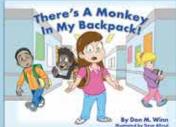
















Chapter Books

Don Winn's chapter books follow the adventures of Sir Kaye the Boy Knight™ and his best friends. This warmhearted, humorous adventure series shows how a twelve-year-old in the medieval land of Knox is knighted, becomes the most famous knight in the country, and has adventures as he strives to be a loyal and true knight.

2012 Sir Kaye the Boy Knight Book One: The Knighting of Sir Kaye

2014 Sir Kaye the Boy Knight Book Two: The Lost Castle Treasure

2016 Sir Kaye the Boy Knight Book Three: Legend of the Forest Beast

2017 Sir Kaye the Boy Knight Book Four: The Eldridge Conspiracy

2017 The Sir Kaye the Boy Knight Classroom Study Guide for books 1-4

2018 Mystery of the White Knight, A Sir Kaye and Friends Mystery Story

2023 Mystery of the King's Shadow, A Sir Kaye and Friends Mystery Story

Awards

2017 The Eldridge Conspiracy, Readers' Favorite Book Awards, Bronze

2017 Entire series, Royal Dragonfly Awards, First Place Best Series

2016 Legend of the Forest Beast, Moonbeam Children's Book Award, Silver

2015 Legend of the Forest Beast, UK Wishing Shelf Book Award, Finalist

2015 The Lost Castle Treasure, Foreword Reviews IndieFab BOTY, Finalist

2015 The Lost Castle Treasure, Readers' Favorite Book Awards, Finalist

2014 The Lost Castle Treasure, UK Wishing Shelf Book Award, Finalist

2014 The Knighting of Sir Kaye, Voyager Marble Award, Winner

2013 The Knighting of Sir Kaye, Royal Dragonfly Book Awards, First Place

2013 The Knighting of Sir Kaye, UK Wishing Shelf Book Award, Silver

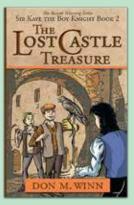
2013 The Knighting of Sir Kaye, Moonbeam Children's Book Award, Silver

2013 The Knighting of Sir Kaye, IndieReader Discovery Award, Winner

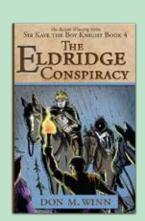
All Sir Kaye Books, Mom's Choice Award Gold Medal Recipient





















Nonfiction

2019 Raising a Child with Dyslexia: What Every Parent Needs to Know

Awards

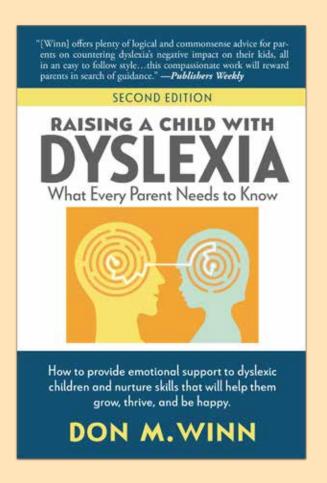
2019 NYC Big Book Award Winner

2020 Eric Hoffer Award Honorable Mention

2020 Readers' Favorite Book Awards Silver Medal

Summary

This user-friendly guide provides detailed assistance to parents and educators who want to help dyslexic children achieve their best life. This compassionate and helpful handbook will help parents watch for signs of dyslexia in their growing baby, toddler, preschooler, or school-aged child. Topics include symptoms that warrant diagnosis by a professional, what to expect during the testing process, how parents can help their child at home, tips on working with the school to create an optimal learning environment, and most importantly, how to offer a dyslexic child a safe, encouraging emotional space in which to cope with the emotional fallout of the dyslexic struggle. The book is keyed to current, cutting edge research and testing methods for dyslexia and all of its attendant conditions. It also includes coping strategies to help those who did not get an early diagnosis or support.



Reviews

"[Winn] offers plenty of logical and commonsense advice for parents on countering dyslexia's negative impact on their kids, all in an easy to follow style...this compassionate work will reward parents in search of guidance."

-Publishers Weekly

"Don Winn has written a comprehensive yet nurturing, caring, and compassionate book about this condition. There are so many issues—social, behavioral, cognitive, reading, and coping, but Don tries to address all of these in a kind, caring fashion. Parents, special ed, and regular ed teachers need all the information they can get to work with and nurture a child with dyslexia. Don does a great job of covering the waterfront of issues that are relevant to dyslexia. An important and much-needed text."

-Michael F. Shaughnessy, PhD, Professor of Special Education, Eastern New Mexico University

"A very accessible and in depth look at dyslexia. Perfect for parents who want to know what's what and what steps to take. Highly recommended."

—Wishing Shelf

"It is essential that dyslexic children understand their strengths and challenges in order to have a balanced view of themselves. Parents have the unique and important responsibility and opportunity to not only help their children survive school, but ultimately thrive in life. With this book in hand, you will be empowered by the knowledge of how dyslexia impacts your child and how to raise a healthy human being with dyslexia."

—Dan Peters, PhD, Licensed Psychologist and author of Make Your Worrier a Warrior, From Worrier to Warrior, and The Warrior Workbook

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