

*Howard B. Wigglebottom and the Monkey on His Back:  
A Tale About Telling the Truth  
Reviews*

- *Howard B. Wigglebottom and the Monkey on His Back presents some very realistic scenarios kids might find themselves in, where it seems easier to lie than to tell the truth. The discussion guide offers opportunities for parents or teachers to go over these situations and ask kids what they would do. This is a great book to teach kids the importance of always being honest. Alice Berger, Berger Book*

**San Francisco Book Review**

- *The series will help youngsters identify their emotional changes and accompanying responses, and understand that they are a normal process of development.*

**Books That Heal Kids**

- *Oh. Happy Day !! A new book about honesty and the MAJOR problem with lying. I really love the message at the end...lying makes a person feel completely unhappy. Whoo! Good stuff.*
- *Prior to reading this book, I wasn't sure if my 5 year- old daughter would grasp the concept and the lesson in the book. I was very impressed that she listened intently to the book and asked questions about the content. The book delivers the message in a way kids can relate and understand. We will be reading this one regularly to reinforce the important lesson of telling the truth. Carrie, Themamareport.com*

- *It taught a lesson to little kids that telling lies will make you feel bad. Marty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grader, Hudson, Massachusetts*
- *I had a parent who was concerned about their child's lying. There were so many great examples in the story of the types of lies that children tell, and the consequences were very connected. They loved it, and I feel the picture of a monkey on the back that is growing is such a perfect analogy that children quickly understand. Thank you for your work and dedication to children. -Gina Jones, Tampa, Florida*
- *Wow, this is sooo great, a book that hits home... about lying...Like your other wonderful stories, this is one that is timeless. You really have the pulse on what kids need to hear.-Gayle Smith, Navarre, Florida*
- *This book is a good springboard for a discussion about telling the truth- Anne Shacklett, Dallas, Texas*
- *I am always excited to find books that can help me teach character lessons.-Gwen Keiser, Ozark Mountain School District, St. Joe, Arkansas.*
- *This is a touchy subject and I think you handled it with humor and reality that a child can understand. I think it's great that you incorporated so many teachers, librarians, counselors, and students to make this book so wonderful.- Jo Lize, Venice, Florida Librarian*
- *I use your books in my therapy sessions to help kids with listening, lying, bullying....absolutely great! Thanks for*

*thinking of such creative ways to engage young kids into such complex situations. Keep em' coming.*-Babi Gore

- *I love your Howard B. Wigglebottom books and the kids adore them.*-Jenn Troyer, Southeast Local Schools, Ohio.
- *Often times we ask students to make good choices or reprimand them for the wrong choices or unacceptable behavior but don't teach them to judge for themselves.* - Martha Gutierrez, Sherman Oaks, California.
- *The children loved the book and demanded to read it again.* Chris Fenster, Principal, Truro, Iowa
- *It is a great book for character education. The children loved it.*  
Colleen Bennett, Kennesaw, Georgia.
- *It is an important book to be read and re-read. Being trustworthy is an essential quality that drives school attendance performance and involvement.* -Mimi Savio, Bossier City, Louisiana.
- *Students struggle with lying at school and home on a daily basis. The concept of being honest and listening to the little voice should be reinforced daily.*-Amy Zachreus, Manteca, California.
- *I wish you could witness the enjoyment my children get from reading your books. We book shop on Thursdays to get new books for our browsing boxes. Your books go quickly.* -Sherry Holland, St. Louis, Missouri

- *This is a great book. I am very pleased with the topic (honesty). This is so very important to children. Great job!* -Selena Parker, Morganton, North Carolina
- *Great book! I think this is my favorite of the Wigglebottom books.* -Kathleen St. John, Manhattan Beach, California.
- *Students were very engaged. Good discussions came up.* Erin Mackay, -Hudson Massachusetts.
- Second Graders, Hudson, Mass  
*I liked everything in the book.*  
*It was a good, awesome book... If I could, I would read it again and again.*  
*I like that it teaches you not to ly.*  
*It was awesome and nothing was boring.*  
*I loved it so much! It is an awesome story! It was also really funny.*  
*I think everyone should read this book because they should lern the lesson.*  
*I think a good lesson can be learned from this book. I loved it.*  
*I loved it and it was awesome to me. It teaches kids a lesson.*
- *Telling the truth is an issue that all children deal with and need constant reminders and re-teaching on this subject.* -Merrily Sproat, Marietta Georgia.

- *Just from student reaction alone I feel this is an important book. It really puts ownership of decisions on students.*  
Jon Wilsey, Chicago, Illinois.
- *...the book did a wonderful job of teaching children that by making good choices they will feel better about themselves. Excellent book!!!-*  
Carrie Griffis, West Navarre, Florida
- *The children were so good about getting the message of the book.-* Renee Keeler, Los Alamitos, California