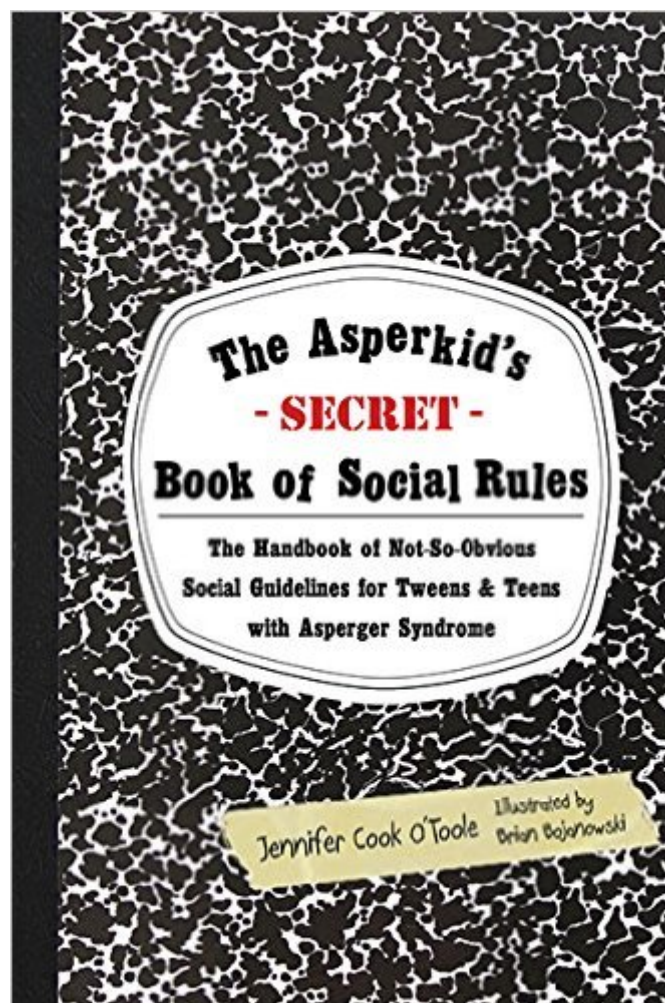


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# The Asperkid's (Secret) Book Of Social Rules: The Handbook Of Not-So-Obvious Social Guidelines For Tweens And Teens With Asperger Syndrome



## Synopsis

Being a teen or tween isn't easy for anyone -- but it's especially tough for Asperkids. I know. I was one, I taught a whole bunch, and I am going to be raising three! That's also why I know that Asperkids deserve their very own guide to all of the hidden social rules that are awfully confusing to us, even if they seem obvious to everyone else. "The Asperkids' (Secret) Rule Book of Social Rules." This isn't your momma's Emily Post, and there is no "don't do this" finger-wagging or patronizing "high and mighty preaching" here. Instead, the "Secret" Book gives Asperkids (aged 10-17) respectful, funny insights written "for Aspies by an Aspie." Chock full of illustrations, logic and even a practice session or six (in comic strip style, thank you very much!), this is the handbook every adult Aspie wishes we'd had growing up, but never did.

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## Customer Reviews

Of all the books about Asperger's that I own, this is the only one with "how to" information for the child. I bought this book a couple of months ago for my 11 year old son who has Asperger's. We read one chapter together each night and both learn from it. We even reference it when he comes home from school after a "bad day" and look up how he could have handled the situation differently. I would recommend this book to any one who has an asperger child in the pre-teen to tween age.

At first glance, this book looks terrific for kids with Aspergers, but also for any kids, including gifted kids, who need a little help understanding the social expectations of life. Here's what one parent of a

gifted child who also struggles socially has to say..."The Asperkid's Secret Book of Social Rules" is like the answer to my prayers. My son has not been diagnosed as Asperger's, and he lacks some key characteristics, but this book is EXACTLY the book I've wished existed for helping him navigate social situations, etc. It is direct, funny and easy to read and doesn't "sugar coat" the dynamics of tweens and teens. I am giving it to him this afternoon and will report back, but if you haven't seen this book and have a kid that struggles with how to "fit in" or exhibits behaviors that make you say "WHAT makes him think that was a good idea to do/say!?!)" it's worth checking out! Thanks to the parents of Hoagies' Gifted Education Page for this great review, and for convincing me that I need a copy of this book, too!

I was honored to have the opportunity to read an advance copy of the book. Not only is The Asperkid's Secret Book of Social Rules a book for Asperkid teens and tweens, it is also a book for their parents, caregivers and for anyone who grew up Aspie and wants to understand themselves and the world around them better. Being undiagnosed until in my 40s, this is the book I wish I had when I was a teenager. Thank you Jennifer, for not only making these social rules no longer 'secret' but for helping create a social survival guide that helps promote acceptance, enrichment, inspiration and empowerment for Asperkids everywhere!

Thanks to Jennifer Cook O'Toole for showing us the way through social situations. As a mom of a son on the spectrum, I benefit from her insight and graceful guidance. I loved her real world examples and beautiful storytelling ability. She made me feel like she truly understands what my son must go through. She is an incredible advocate and a positive voice for Aspies everywhere.

I am a therapist working with children and I have found that this resource is excellent for working with teens and tweens in a way that is non-threatening. I have found that the children really enjoy looking through the book and can identify with the issues raised, which is saying something.

This book is the most amazing, in-depth, encyclopaedia of social interaction must-knows. Although aimed at those with Asperger's, it is a brilliant way for the neurotypicals in their lives to understand them better too. A fun and immensely engaging way to learn to stand in each other's shoes. It could also stand as a general, modern etiquette book. Just fantastic. This will be a wonderful book to share with my 'Asperkid' son and my neurotypical daughter. This book will be a friend for life.

This book is fantastic! It is written from a woman who has aspergers and she just gets it because she was and is there. My 11 yr old son could relate to a lot of stuff she was talking about and it is written so he understands the language.

Like every parent of an Aspie child, I have a ton of books, but I purchased this one because of a particular topic....and then the rest of the book is excellent as well. The topic was expressing thanks. My Aspie daughter has an Aspie friend who never says thank you, not for meals, sleepovers, rides....I never understood WHY until I read this book. For anybody who regularly interacts with Aspies, or who is an Aspie, this book is a treasure, written by an Aspie mom of three Aspie kids....so yes it's understandable! No clinic-speak, just hopeful and helpful words from the heart. Highly recommended.

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