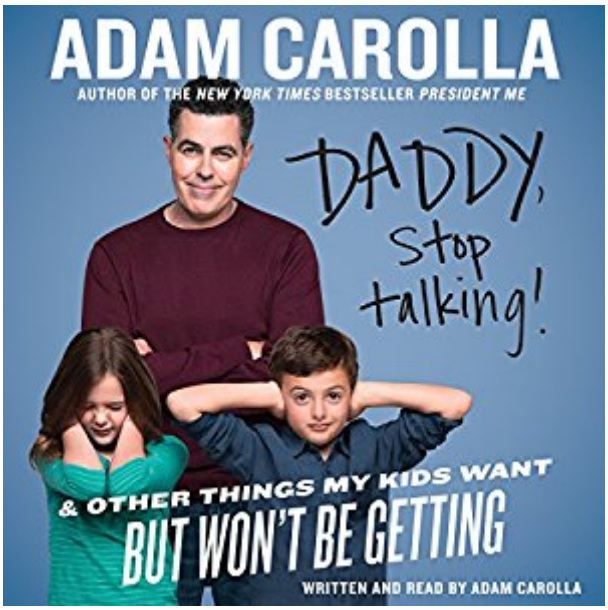
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Synopsis

The comedian, actor, television host, podcast king, and New York Times best-selling author of President Me, Not Taco Bell Material, and In Fifty Years We'll All Be Chicks now lays down the law on the plight of the modern parent. Parents, do you often think that if your kids had to grow up the way you did - without iPads, 70-inch flatscreen TVs, American Girl dolls, and Wi-Fi in the climate-controlled minivan - they might actually be better off? Do you feel underappreciated or ignored? Do you worry you're raising a bunch of spoiled softies who will never know how to do anything themselves - because you do everything for them? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you need Daddy, Stop Talking. Adam rips parenthood a new one, telling it straight about what adults must do if they don't want to have to support their kids forever. Using his own crappy childhood as a cautionary tale, and touting the pitfalls of the kind of helicopter parenting so pervasive today, Daddy, Stop Talking is the only parenting book you should ever read. Here, too, is sage advice to Adam's own kids - and to future parents - on what matters most: dating; drinking and drugs; buying your first house and car; puberty; and what kind of assholes his kids (and yours) should avoid becoming. Even if his own son and daughter pretty much ignore everything he says, you shouldn't. And you're welcome. Again.

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Customer Reviews

I am a Carolla fan. I buy all his books because I enjoy them and to in a small way repay him for all the hours of entertainment I've received from his podcasts. However, I did not expect to enjoy this book. I had the preconceived notion that this book would be a rehash of much that was contained in

his earlier books. I assumed that by now Adam's (and Mike's) well must have run dry. Man, was I wrong! Adam has brought his unique ranting style to the subject of parenting, and it works. Within a few pages, I realized that Adam's ranting style could be applied to most any subject and the result would be entertaining. I now don't think that Adam's well should ever run dry. Adam is interested in and has strong opinions on a wide range of subjects. All he needs to do his apply his unique style to any one of those subjects, and he'll have a book I would want to read. Adam, definitely keep writing.

I've read all of Mr. Carolla's books so far and they are interesting and humorous. Each book has included funny stories and heartfelt moments, and they seem authentic as well. I'd consider this book excellent on its own, but having read the author's previous books, several vignettes are alluded to and/or outright repeated, so I wasn't as enthused upon completing this current title. I think Carolla is on track in most of his parental advice, particularly his emphasis on hard work. Some of the chapters are unusual, of an adult nature, and for me did not enhance the reading experience. Carolla's views are unique enough that while I don't agree with some of his conclusions, he is clearly a thinker who sets goals, has experienced ups and downs, and has navigated a difficult industry successfully. This is a worthwhile read for fans of the author, and anyone who's interested in some funny life stories with a message attached, namely how working hard and caring about your family are the two most important things in life, from the author's perspective. Carolla is an atheist, so one of his key points is to live purposefully every day, and always do your best, because in his opinion life is short and ends at death. So while his advice makes sense, it may not hit everyone the right way, but his approach is lighthearted enough that I don't think it will challenge anyone's current faith. Mr. Carolla articulates his point of view in a way which is generally respectful of others' beliefs, although he pokes fun at different ethnicities routinely. His style is somewhat like the legendary Don Rickels in this respect, although Carolla comes across as more well meaning and less mean. This book is not for everyone but I think it would be a fun read for most Gen Xers. That's sort of where Carolla's humor lines up in my opinion.

There were clearly some laugh-out-loud moments in this book but Carolla's observations on the state of families in the 21st century make it a bit more of essay on the family than humorous antidotes on child-rearing. I enjoyed his "In 50 Years..." and this book has a more somber tone. I was looking for laughs, got a few, and look forward to his next book.

I could tell from reading this book that Adam Carolla really loves his kids. A funny read that wasn't

drudgery.

I love Adam Corolla, but the book was at times a little too "raw" (not to be confused with being politically incorrect) for me and what I was expecting. That’s ok, he has a right to write whatever way he wants. There are lots of funny and touching stories, and I think Adam has good values and fatherly wisdom. Sounds like he’s a good dad, and it would be interesting to see what kind of adults his children become.

More good stuff from one of the funnier dudes out there. Not tons of lol moments, but more like a comfortable hang.

Another awesome read by the king of podcasts. This time Adam shares his recipe for success and satisfaction. Thoroughly enjoyed it and can’t wait for his next book! Anyone who listens to his podcasts will enjoy this book. And anyone at a cross roads in their life will appreciate the insight and inspiration Adam lays down with his usual humor and perspective.

If you like Carolla, you’ll love it. If you are easily offended, you might not. I loved it.

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