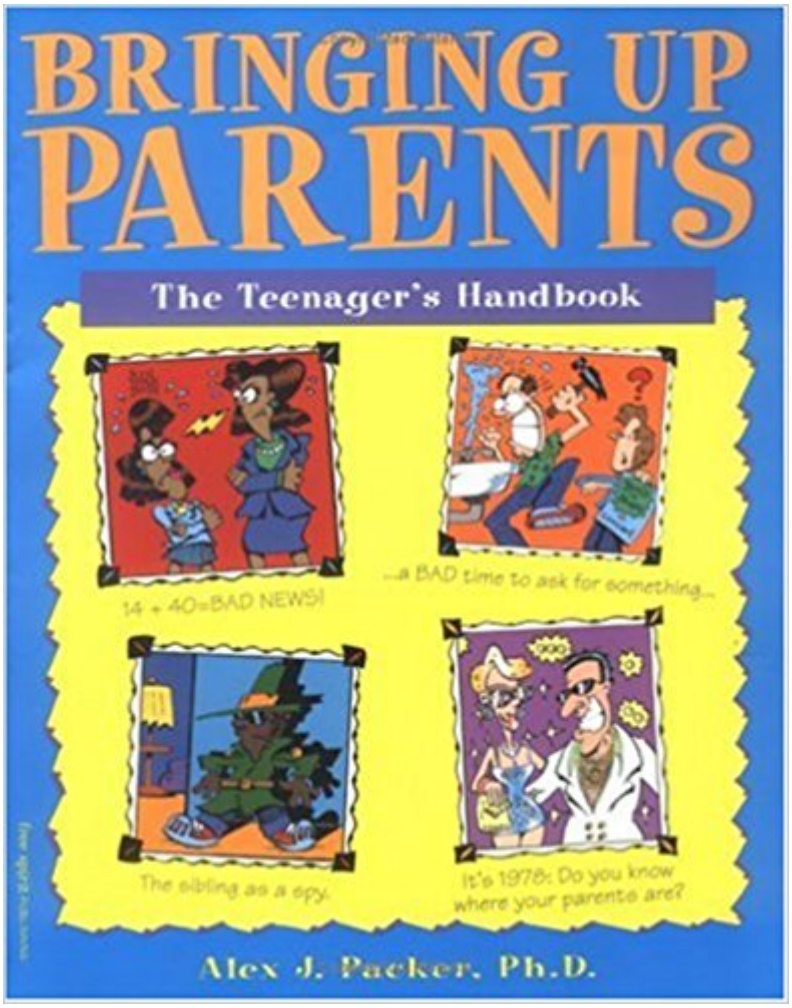
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Bringing Up Parents: The Teenager's Handbook



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Synopsis

Straight talk and specific suggestions on how teens can take the initiative to resolve conflicts with parents, improve family relationships, earn trust, accept responsibility, and help to create a healthier, happier home environment. Written with wisdom and humor, this book emphasizes open communication, mutual respect, and common sense.

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This book not only respects teens, it understands teens. It respects and understands parents. The humor, wordplays, and general tone of the book demonstrate Alex J. Packer's great skill and knowledge of his subject. The introduction addresses teens directly: "This book lays out a smorgasbord of strategies. What happens after that is up to you. It's up to your motivation, creativity, flexibility, and commitment. If changes occur, if miracles are wrought, it will be because of you." Packer presents the challenge with a kid glove, a wink, and absolute understanding. Filled with great information presented in the perfect way to reach teens, this book should be on everyone's required reading list. A 2000 Parents' ChoiceÃ Â® Gold Award.Reviewed by Suzie Draper, RN, Parents' ChoiceÃ Â® 2000 -- From Parents' ChoiceÃ Â®

This amazing book links what teenagers will tune into (how to get freedom and privacy) to their ability to learn a communication technique called "active listening" which was developed by Social Workers but is used currently by business people in so many arenas that it deserves to be called "ubiquitous", thereby providing a concerned parent with another reason to believe that your child will be able to earn a living wage even if he chooses to be a "regular person" (from the Cosby show, I'm

a fan of great teachers) and doesn’t go to college... I have two children who were square pegs that didn’t fit into round holes... All our children have unique isles of brilliance...I would know, I’m a Parent, a Social Worker, an Educator, a Businesswoman, a Writer, a Teacher, and a Student (forever learning), usually more humble, but please trust me because the only "catch" is that YOU must read the book too so you’ll know when they’re trying out a new communication skill but haven’t quite mastered it yet so if you’re on the fence anyway with a new request you’ll have a guidelines as to whether or not to say "yes", (I know I needed that guidance often) so although I know I’m going on about this book at great length it’s only because I’m passionate about the need to buy TWO copies, it’s definitely not okay to sneak into the room and borrow it BACK!!!

How can you train parents to stay out of your face? How can you make them grant you more freedom, recognize your individuality, quit harassing you, give you more of what you want, and start letting you take charge of your own life? Simple: read this manual for bringing up parents!Having just plowed through a stack of books aimed at making parent-teen relationships better, I can testify that most range from dismal to outright insulting. Getting to Calm and 10 Best Gifts for Your Teen are good, but they’re strictly for parents. Most books written for teens themselves are patronizing, dumb, hypocritical, useless, or all of the above. This one is the exception. It’s based on sound family psychology. The writing is funny and irreverent. And it’s practical: the ideas truly work.If you want to improve the relationships between adults and kids in your house, read Bringing Up Parents yourself before passing it to your teen. It’s better than 90% of the parent-oriented books out there.And if you’re a teen who wants to get your parents off your back--or maybe even have a great relationship--this book’s for you.

I am a high school English teacher, and I discovered the first edition of this great book years ago. It’s fun, it’s intelligent, and it’s on target. I built a whole communication unit around it for my students, and not only did we have fun in the process, but many students have come back to me over the years and told me that was one of the most helpful units in their school years. This book covers communication, problem-solving, and just plain respect. Most importantly, though, it puts the onus for improvement on the teen. It works. Check it out.

I bought this book for my daughter and have noticed a change in her behavior. She now does things that we ask her to do and tries to be nice to us instead of hostile. Then when she requests a privilege and we waver, she says "But I babysat my brother and I folded the towels and I made a

cake like you asked me too." Of course who can argue with that logic? I haven't read the book but I assume it is along the lines of "show your parents how mature you are and they will give you more freedom".

Good condition

My daughter loves the book and I am enjoying higher levels of cooperation helping her study and around the house

Love it. I think this one is my favorite of the 4. Learn appropriate lessons with humor. I wish I started them when my son was younger. Worthy of keeping in my library. Worth the expense.

My soon to be teenage son has Asperger's Syndrome. This is a great way to give him some social guidance without my lecturing him. The title is perfectly intriguing for a kid. The mother's in my support group are all ordering copies for their kids.

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