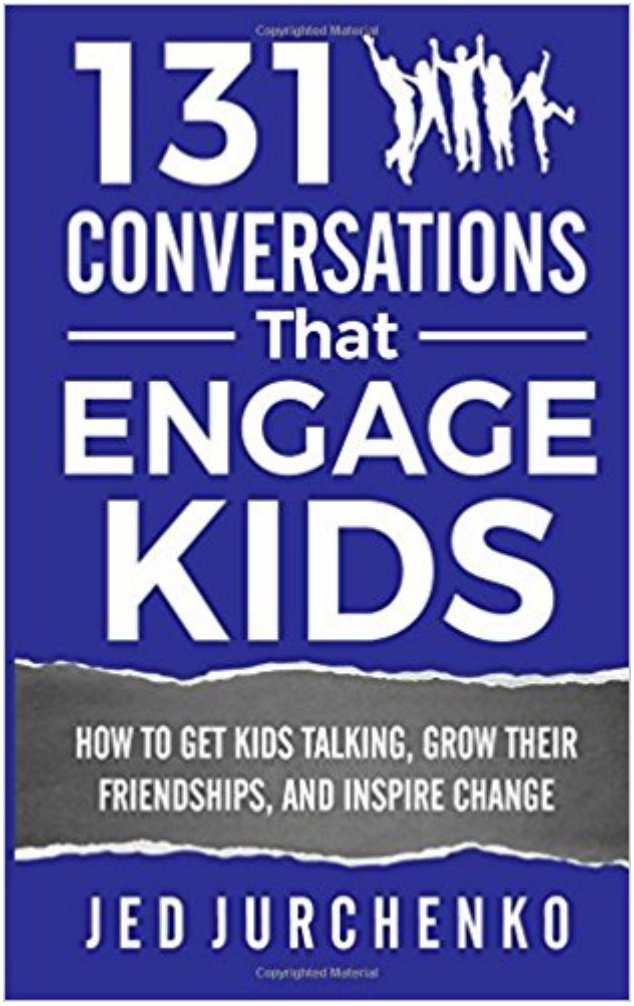
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131 Conversations That Engage Kids: How To Get Kids Talking, Grow Their Friendships, And Inspire Change (Volume 2)



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Synopsis

These creative conversation starters will inspire your kids pause their electronics, grow their social skills, and develop lifelong relationships!Ã Â Get your kids talking with this activity book the entire family will enjoy.In this highly-engaging, conversation starterÃ Â book, you will discover:Why conversations matter and connecting with others is important.Ã Â Three strategies to engage kids and keep the conversation going.Ã Â Five tools to help children develop their social skills.Ã Â How to use conversations to guide children toward positive change.Ã Â Then, dive into 131 creative, engaging, and fun conversations that will get your kids engaged. This book is for children who desire to build face-to-face connections that develop into life-long friendships. It is also for parents, foster parents, teachers, coaches, youth pastors, mentors, and everyone who wants to help their kids to connect in an increasingly disconnected world!Conversation Starters Include:If the zoo offered to let you keep one exotic animal as a pet, which animal would you take home with you?Ã Â If you were principal of your school for a day, what is one school rule that you would change?No two snowflakes are exactly alike. No two people are the same either. What is something that makes you unique?Ã Â This book is part of a The Creative Conversations Books Series, which includes:131 Creative Conversations for Couples131 More Creative Conversations for Couples131 Necessary Conversations before Marriage131 Creative Conversations for Families131 Creative Conversations for Kids131 Conversations for Stepfamily Success

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Customer Reviews

Jed Jurchenko is passionate about supporting parents in leading their families, growing their

friendships, and caffeinating their faith so that they can live joy-filled lives. Jed is a husband, daddy to four girls, a marriage and family therapist, psychology professor, and an author. Jed has written a series of conversation starter books, and especiallyÃ Â enjoys blogging on parenting and family life.

I am voluntarily reviewing a complimentary copy of this book, 131 Conversations That Engage Kids by Jed Jurchenko.I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and I can't wait to put the excellent suggestions into practice with my son. He has been dealing with some issues at school and I didn't even learn about it from him. I found out through the guidance counselor at his school. He doesn't communicate with me about important issues and I really hope this book will help me change that.I am very thankful to Jed for writing this book. I think it would/will be helpful to anyone with children in their lives that want better communication between them. I think children want to share with their parents and other important adults in their lives but aren't sure how to or are afraid of the adults reaction and maybe reading this book will give the adult insight into how to be open, welcoming and encouraging when the child does come to them.Excellent Book!! I highly recommend this book to parents, caregivers of children/teens, teachers, guidance counselors, anyone that has interactions with kids.

131 Conversations That Engage Kids: How to Get Kids Talking, Grow Their Friendships, and Inspire Change (Conversation Starters Books Series #5)I cannot relate to communicating with kids at home, but I know a great classroom resource when I see one. Jed Jurchenko has intended these conversation starters for families; however, they are equally useful as prompts for back-to-school engagement, morning starters, and quick writing to share.Here is Conversation #118 [modified] as an example: ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“What is one thing you did in the last month [during the summer] to make this world a better place? (Even little acts are OK).ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â• When well-received or even applauded, a child receives a boost. It might even carry over and be shared with the family.I highly recommend this book.

Loved the conversation starters in this book, and I've already used a couple with my kids. Quality family time is so important and must be intentional, and this book is the perfect tool to take family time to the next level! I highly recommend.

I appreciate the short section at the beginning teaching both how and why to engage in conversations with kids. The conversation starters are also helpful. Wish my parents had had a

book like this as we didn’t talk much about stuff that mattered. I just chattered endlessly.

I’ve teased my kids a few times with the idea that the next generation of smartphones will eliminate talking. Jed Jurchenko’s book is a great tool for parents who want to teach their kids the vanishing art of vocal conversation, with other kids, and with adults. The questions Jed offers for discussion are relevant to kids and easy for adults to respond to as well. It’s the perfect companion for any time your family has time together--meals, commuting, and family worship, to name a few. It enables parents to get into their kids heads and learn more about their interests, values and dreams--all stuff worth knowing if you want to strengthen your family bonds and have a relationship with your kids when they grow up.

Keeping channels of communication open with your kids is so important--but how can you get kids to talk? Jed Jurchenko knows 131 questions that kids can’t resist! How about Number 13: "If the zoo offered to let you keep an exotic animal as a pet, what animal would you bring home with you?" Number 127 requires real imagination: "Imagine you are sent to work for the circus for one year. The good news is that you can choose your act, and the circus performers will train you. What act will you be performing for the next year, and why?" How about Number 7, a question even little kids can answer: "If you had to choose one food to eat every single day for the next year, what would it be?"I am a college admissions counselor, and couldn’t help but notice how similar a few of Jurchenko’s questions are to the prompts your kids will soon be asked to address in their college admissions essays. Take Number 112: "Imagine that you peer into a crystal ball that allows you to peek ten years into the future. Describe what you see." Number 5 is a classic: "If you could travel back in time and spend the day with one historical figure, who would it be and why?" There is a reason for this similarity: like college admission essay prompts, Jurchenko’s questions ask us to reflect on who we are and what we really care about.So if you’d like to know what your kids really think, buy this book.P.S. I loved the suggestions on how to use these questions by playing "Conversation Beach Ball," or inserting a question slip into a balloon for the child to pop. No one likes to be interrogated by their parents, and these techniques will get your kids’ attention and save them from feeling put on the spot!

Jed Jurchenko has written a brilliant book to jumpstart conversations and create memories with kids. I’m not a kid but I was completely engaged while reading and thinking about the questions the author posed to get into the minds and values of kids without them realizing what is

happening.Some questions are fun but others can reveal the character of kids as they begin to grow. Thought provoking and smart, I cannot recommend this book with more enthusiasm. The author calls his work a small book with big goals. I predict it will spur big results and create memories for families who need to get away from the TV and social media and just talk.With the summer upon us, this is a must-bring book for road trips, vacations, and anytime. I'll be recommending it to friends and families, no matter how small or big the kids are! Looking forward to see what Jed writes next!

This book gives me great tips for communicating and entertaining my grandchildren. Before using these tips and tools I had a hard time keeping their interest and vice versa. After reading this I'm going to read more of these conversation books from this author.

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