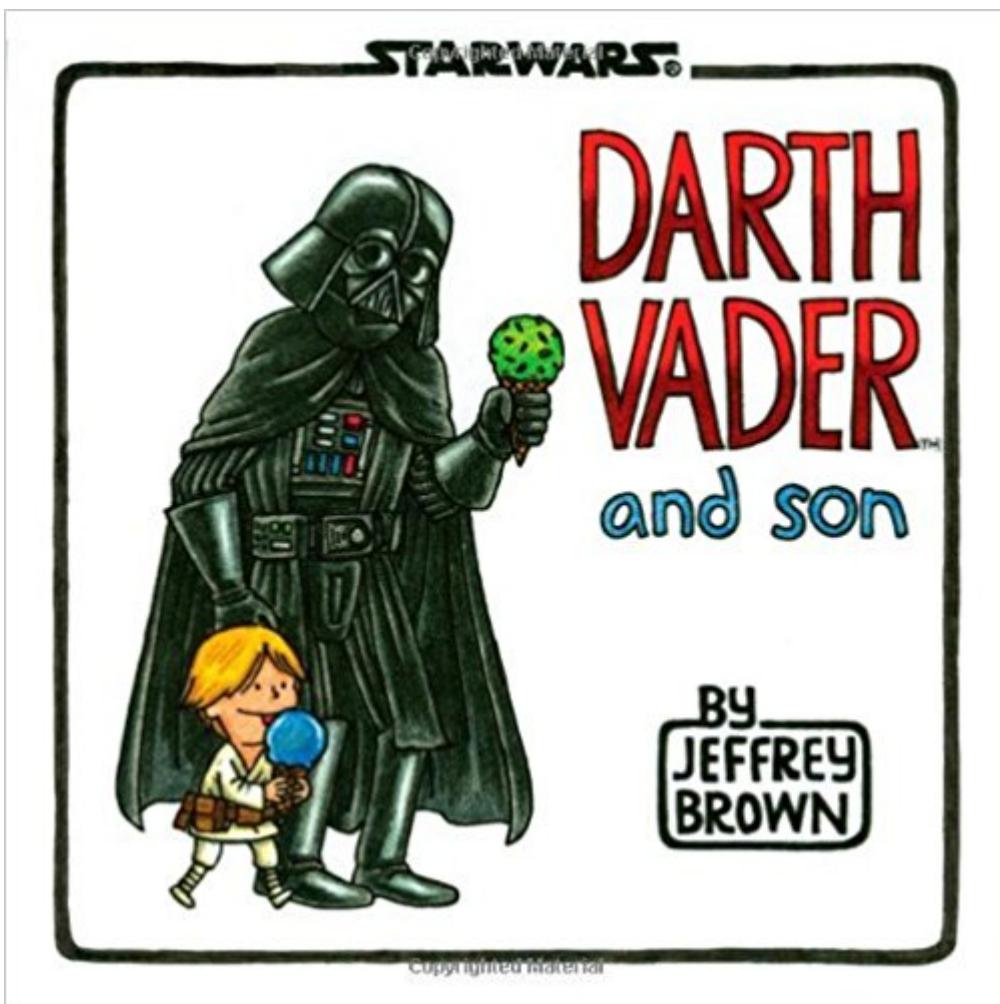


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Darth Vader And Son



Synopsis

What if Darth Vader took an active role in raising his son? What if "Luke, I am your father" was just a stern admonishment from an annoyed dad? In this hilarious and sweet comic reimagining, Darth Vader is a dad like any other—except with all the baggage of being the Dark Lord of the Sith. Celebrated artist Jeffrey Brown's delightful illustrations give classic Star Wars® moments a fresh twist, presenting the trials and joys of parenting through the lens of a galaxy far, far away. Life lessons include lightsaber batting practice, using the Force to raid the cookie jar, Take Your Child to Work Day on the Death Star ("Er, he looks just like you, Lord Vader!"), and the special bond shared between any father and son.

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likes things that are Good - do yourself a favor and pick it up, because not only it is adorable and funny, but it's also one of the best Star Wars books ever. In fact, buy two, because you're going to want to give a copy to somebody over the holidays, no question. " -io9.com"Darth Vader and Son is cute, and perfect for the little Star Wars fan in your life. It playfully posits the question "What if Darth Vader had actually raised Luke?" Author and illustrator Jeffrey Brown turns run-of-the-mill parenting activities into fun moments full of Star Wars references...Overall, Darth Vader and Son is a fun read for adult Star Wars fans who like a good laugh, as well as for children just learning to love these characters." Wink Books and BoingBoing"Hilarious...it's a great book to read to your kids, but it's also a great book for adults. I find myself smiling as I turn each page."--Forcecast.net"From potty training to lightsaber batting practice to ice cream runs, the endearing absurdity of the duo's dynamic makes for a remix treat of the most entertaining variety."- Brain Pickings"You won't find a more adorable Star Wars book this year than Darth Vader and Son. Seriously. It's a must-have for Star Wars fans of all ages, as it's not only insanely cute, it's quite humorous,"--Geeks of Doom"You don't have to be a Star Wars fan to appreciate this tender little book." -The Guardian (UK)"When the first Star Wars film conquered the world in 1977, no one could have possibly foreseen it going on to become such an ubiquitous part of our cultural heritage. Now even parenthood can be viewed through the filter of the Sith lord Darth Vader. Jeffrey Brown (Incredible Change-Bots) crashes headlong into George Lucas's galaxy far, far away with endearing, funny-and fully licensed-results. A series of full-page gag cartoons focusing on the 'what if?' of Darth Vader raising a four-year-old Luke Skywalker, the book twists father/son moments into scenarios within the Star Wars playground. For instance, the addition of a wailing little Luke turns the Bounty Hunter scene into, as one bounty hunter's thought balloon puts it, Awkward! Trick-or-treating, toy shopping, a day at the zoo, and more are rejiggered with a lighthearted, charming tone. However, the book also provides ample proof that adding a babysitting Darth Vader to any Star Wars situation makes it gently humorous. Brown's signature scratchy style is embellished with full color and stripped-down likenesses."- Publisher's Weekly"This is a good one for a young geek or their proud papa. " -Ain't It Cool News"This book is hilarious, short, and sweet. I'm sure it will have a real wide range of appeal that will include both young and die-hard Star Wars ones. There's probably not wrong reason to gift this, but it would definitely make for a good Father's Day present if you really need an excuse to buy Darth Vader and Son."--CSI: Librarian"The central conflict of 'Star Wars' looks considerably different -- and much, much funnier -- through Brown's eyes. "- Comic Book Resources"The book imagines a universe where Darth Vader actually gets to raise his son Luke and it is so disarmingly charming that you really stop caring that this is an evil Sith lord. Oh, Obi-Wan, why did you spirit those

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Jeffrey Brown is the author of numerous graphic novels and comics, including *Cat Getting Out of a Bag* and *Cats Are Weird*. A lifelong Star Wars fan, he lives in Chicago with his wife and five-year-old son.

When my son was born, I got this book so that I could read it with him as he gets older. My daughter is always a fan of these books, so she helps me read it to him. The pictures are cute and colorful and the stories are funny, tugging at my fatherly heart strings. I connect with the characters and relate somewhat to them, as fictional as they are. The Force is strong with this book. The writing is clever, the words play off the Star Wars dialog in cute funny ways. The play on words makes me chuckle and my kids don't understand yet. They watch the movies with me, but they are still too young to get it. But this book they get, and they love it, and I love reading it with them. When my son is old enough, he will get to read it himself and enjoy it the way my daughter and I enjoy reading it to him.

Darth Vader and Son by Jeffrey Brown
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First and foremost, before starting my actual review, I'd like to say that this

isn't the kind of book I normally review. I am actually writing this review today to present my perspective as someone who (for once) isn't the target demographic. I am a female college student, whose LAST thought is parenting. I am neither a son nor a father. So, I am here to offer my point of view for skeptics who find this book interesting only for fathers and sons. Why I Picked It Up: I picked this book up because (1) It's related to Star Wars, which I love, and (2) Because of the adorable front cover and title. So sue me for choosing my picture books based on their pictures. I expected to find it mildly entertaining, and flipped through it at my local independent bookstore. I found the artwork entertaining and cute, but ultimately put it down because I knew that I would lose interest right away. When I got home, however, I immediately typed it into the search bar and knew that I had to order it. I regretted putting it down at the store, and I knew that even if I really did get bored with it, I

wouldn't regret having a quirky Star Wars related book on my bookshelf. My Overall Opinion: I love this book. Not just because I love Star Wars (although that probably does have an affect on my opinion), but because of the heartwarming comical artwork. There are scenes in the book that I just stare and giggle at because I find them too adorable to ignore. Yes, I breezed through the 64 pages in minutes, but the greatest quality of this book is the ability to not get bored of it. I flipped through it, reading everything and looking at every image carefully, and then promptly read it a second time. I put it down on my shelf, wandered around my house, and then pulled it out again. And I have done that at least every few days since because it has a bit of a timeless quality to it that I was not at all expecting. As a general rule, I do not have many picture books at home because I find them boring after the second time I go through them unless the art is truly spectacular. This book, on the other hand, seemed determined to catch my interest. The book itself feels very sturdy and well made, and the actual content is entertaining for adults as well as children. The price is not at all steep for the quality material used to create this book. It is an excellent addition to anyone's book or Star Wars collection because it really has a kind of collectible feel to it. My final point today with my review is that regardless of age and gender, if you are mildly familiar with Star Wars, then you'll probably enjoy flipping through this book. Don't be afraid of leaving this book on the shelf forever

If you will definitely reach out and look through it from time to time, and it will grow on you every single time. This is the book I show all of my visiting friends and family members, because people latch onto these kinds of books. It's short enough that you can easily go through it in one short sitting, but it's long enough that you won't feel unsatisfied by the time you reach the end. Kudos to Jeffrey Brown for

making a refreshingly different kind of picture book for dads, sons, Star Wars fans, AND just about everyone else out there with even an inkling of interest in Star Wars. I mean, everyone wants to imagine a world where Darth Vader actually raises his son, and this book does it in such a comically sweet way.

When I saw this, I thought it might be cute & funny. It is. Mostly one liners from the movies, but if you've got a dry sense of humor (or maybe if you're a die hard Star Wars fan), you'll enjoy it.

It's not easy being a Sith Lord and a single father. Just ask Darth Vader...This short book is quite charming to read. A perfect gift to a Star Wars fan. :)

I grew up during the Star Wars era - where Anakin Skywalker was a mangled, cyberfilled ball of hate with only the vocal talents of James Earl Jones saving him from eternal peril (that Jones' voice can save the soul of a man who blew up a flipping planet is quite a testament). My little princess grew up during the airing of Star Wars The Clone Wars where Anakin Skywalker was a barely scarred, good-natured, slightly impatient hero teaching a padawan while still needing guidance himself. For children who's first glimpse of Anakin wasn't one of a genocidal vassal of Darth Sidious and parents who don't want to bring that up until later, this is a beautifully entertaining book. Purists risk hating it and imagining using The Force to give wedgies to its author. It's cute, touching, endearing, and filled with moments where parents will relate to the poor Sith lord and children will see the Jedi in themselves. I've read this to my daughter; she's read it to her friends; and her friends have read it to her. It's pure, sentimental gold. Its only flaw is that it makes me crave the arrival of "Vader's Little Princess" that much more.

Hilarious! I bought these for my husband as a stocking-stuffer; we have a preteen daughter and a toddler boy, these are so appropriate and make us laugh about our reality! Definitely recommend for a little light-hearted and funny reading. Well done!

This is a great book for Star Wars fans and would be a great present for Father's Day! However, you need to have a bit of Star Wars knowledge to fully enjoy it. This book shows Darth Vader and Luke as father and son, and focus on their every day life in the Star Wars universe. It is full of images from the original Star Wars movies, but it doesn't follow a specific timeline like the next book in this series: A Star Wars: Vader's Little Princess. It is a very funny book for a couple of chuckles.

Highly recommended for Star Wars fans.

I was hoping this would be more of a read to your kid type of book but there isn't much text. It is still cute and I gave it to my husband for Christmas but since it is mostly just pictures we can't sit down and read to our toddler with it.

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