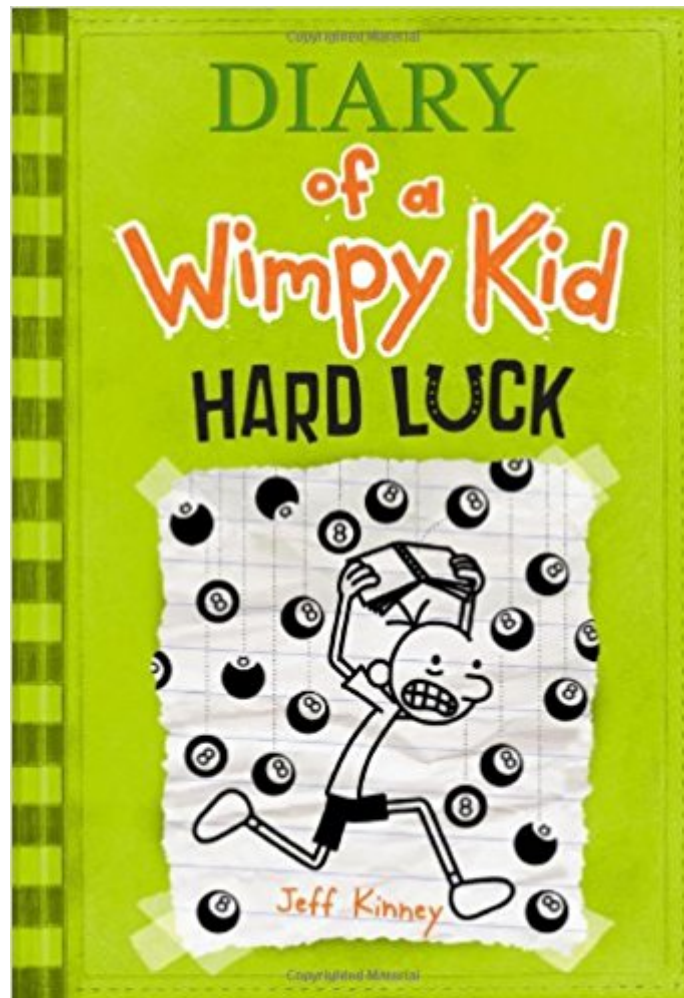




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# Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck, Book 8



## Synopsis

Greg Heffley's on a losing streak. His best friend, Rowley Jefferson, has ditched him, and finding new friends in middle school is proving to be a tough task. To change his fortunes, Greg decides to take a leap of faith and turn his decisions over to chance. Will a roll of the dice turn things around, or is Greg's life destined to be just another hard-luck story? ~ ~

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## Customer Reviews

Greg Heffley's eighth adventure (but who's counting?) centers on his relationship with his best friend, Rowley—more specifically, the demise of that relationship when Rowley gets a girlfriend. At first, Greg tries to insert himself into the mix, but he soon tires of Abigail's pathological control (she changes Rowley's hairstyle) and fussy propriety (she won't let him eat off of the cafeteria floor). And so Greg must navigate the minefield of middle school, with its hero points, dollar-store sneakers, and the looming shadow of summer school, all by himself. Without a sidekick, Greg spends more time at home, suffering the attentions of his "colorful" extended family, like Aunt Audra, who drags him along to a psychic visit. Greg begins consulting Rodrick's forgotten Magic 8 Ball and thinks maybe

that will turn his luck around. As ever, Kinney strikes his comic target in the bull's-eye, exaggerating the trials of adolescence just enough to make them real while deftly exposing the insecurities behind Greg's bravado with his super, simple drawings. Will Greg and Rowley make up? Either way, devotees need not worry; there is plenty more angst in store. **HIGH-DEMAND BACKSTORY:** Kinney's books are best-sellers on every list out there, and his rabid fans will be chomping at the bit to get another taste of the Wimpy Kid. Grades 5-8. --Thom Barthelme

Jeff Kinney is an online game developer and designer, and a #1 "New York Times" bestselling author. Jeff was named one of "Time" magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England in 1995. Jeff lives in southern Massachusetts with his wife and their two sons.

This is such a great book! I received it, brand new, just as I had expected. My little brother loves these book and I was so happy to get this one at such a great price. He is 11 years old, and is a huge fan of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series. It was the first, and so far the only, book we have been able to get him to have any interest in. Not only did he take an interest in it, though, he fell in love! It's so cool because we have never been able to get him to take a liking to reading. Thanks to the amazing work of Jeff Kinney, my little brother has now become a Diary of a Wimpy Kid fanatic. Kinney's writing style has the ability to draw young readers in and keep their interest. Not only my little brother, but a young boy that I babysit, who shares the same opinion of reading with my brother, is also madly obsessed with this series. These books are incredible and Kinney is a truly amazing author. Had it not been for this book series, I'm honestly not sure if my brother would have ever decided to like to read, but now, because of Jeff Kinney, I know for sure that he loves it.

It was pretty much similar to all the other books. It's not one of those books that you get hooked to, and can't wait for the movie to come out like the Hunger Games series and the Divergent series. But it's better for younger kids around 3rd grade or so. Maybe older kids might read it just for fun or if they're bored or something like that. But I kinda think the author is running out of ideas since this is the 8th book and all. It doesn't have very much suspense, though. And, that's the biggest thing I look forward to in a book. So, if you like the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, I think this might be okay to read. Thank you for reading my opinion of this book.

This is an accelerated reader (AR) book - reading level 5.5 - AR Pts: 3.0  
Greg's best friend, Rowley,

has ditched him, and finding new friends in middle school is proving to be a tough task. Will a roll of the dice turn things around, or is Greg's life destined to be just another hard-luck story? Read to find out! My son bought 3 books with his own birthday money and this was one of them (they were all Wimpy Kid Books)! He's a big Wimpy Kid fan and he was excited to get his hands on this one. A funny book, hard to put down and a very good series. Another Good Book in the Series!

My 11-year-old is not a reader but the Wimpy Kid books are my go-to. He reads all of them a couple of times but this is the first time he's ever read one three times (and counting) in rapid succession. As soon as he finishes it, he starts it again! He said it's his favorite book of all the Wimpy Kid books because the story is less general than the rest. I may have to buy him a new copy before the year's out, and I don't mind as long as he's READING!

My son loves this book. He says it's really good and really funny. He hopes more kids will read it. I personally love how much these books have made his love for reading grow.

My 6 year old son began reading "Wimpy Kid" books just as he was learning to read. Many times I would allow him to read before bed and would hear him laughing hysterically in his room. Now, 7 years old, he has read all of them and often will pick them up and read them again. They are silly, but the appeal to his age demographic was actually amazing to me. I didn't have to make him read... he wanted to read. And he loved them all. I would recommend the entire series to any parent of a child who is learning and becoming comfortable with reading comprehension.

Every one of these books is amazing. Hilarious, engaging, and a nice quick read (that you can even re-read it a lot). Just kind of expensive for such a short book, but the amount of times you can re-read it, it's well worth it.

My 10 year old son thought this was the worst one in the series but my 7 year old daughter thought it was funny. My kids have enjoyed the series but my son has been disappointed in the last few books that have come out.

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