

1: Booktalks Quick and Simple

*Wedding Bells for Rotten Ralph [Jack Gantos, Nicole Rubel] on www.enganchecubano.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. Ralph outdoes himself again in this picture book of wedding bliss and bedlam. It's Aunt Martha's wedding day and Sarah is the flower girl.*

Lower an art dealer , November 11, ; children: Emerson College, Boston, MA, part-time writing instructor, , adjunct instructor, , assistant professor, , associate professor of creative writing and literature, , former professor of creative writing and literature, beginning in Frequent speaker at schools, libraries, and educational conferences, and facilitator of writing workshops. The "Rotten Ralph" books have been translated into other languages, including Hebrew and Japanese. Jack on the Tracks: What Would Joey Do? Also author of novella X-Rays. Contributor of short stories to periodicals, including Storyworks magazine. Stories from the Sixth Grade has also been released on audio cassette. The "Rotten Ralph" books have been adapted for television. Two Rotten Ralph animated specials were produced and broadcast on the Disney Channel; in addition, the BBC produced individual programs based on the character for broadcast in the European and Asian markets; Fox Family Channel planned on broadcasting the programs in the United States. A popular and prolific author of books for readers ranging from the early primary grades through high school, as well as for adults, Jack Gantos is considered by many critics and readers to be both a gifted humorist and an insightful observer of childhood feelings and behavior. Gantos has written witty cautionary tales, middle-grade fiction that presents bittersweet reflections on the pains and pleasures of growing up, and young adult fiction that deals frankly with serious themes. However, he is perhaps best known as the creator of Rotten Ralph, a large, anthropomorphic, red cat whose devilish, mostly unrepentant behavior is always forgiven by his owner, Sarah, a patient and loving little girl. Other popular books by Gantos include Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key, a story about a boy with Attention Deficit Disorder ADD , and Desire Lines, a young adult novel about how a teenage boy outs two lesbian classmates in order to save his own reputation. Throughout his works, Gantos has addressed issues that are meaningful to young people, such as the nature of friendship, dealing with jealousy and loneliness, being forgiven and accepted, the importance of playing fair and doing the right thing, and learning how to fit into the often baffling world of adults. Gantos is generally regarded as a talented, imaginative writer who understands children and what appeals to them. As a first grader, Gantos was in the Bluebird reading group, which he later discovered was for slow readers. He began expressing his creativity at an early age, and when he was in the second grade, he received his first diary. As a second grader, Gantos moved with his family from Pennsylvania to Barbados, where his father felt he could find more work. Young Jack was able to move all of his collections by putting them into his diariesâ€”gluing, pasting, and even drilling holes in the books. While in Barbados, Gantos attended British schools that emphasized the importance of reading and writing; he later claimed that by fifth grade he had managed to learn ninety percent of what he knows as an adult. When the family moved from Barbados to south Florida, Gantos found that his new classmates were disinterested in their studies, and teachers generally acted more like disciplinarians than instructors. Consequently, he retreated to an unfrequented bookmobile and read. In addition, he began writing down his own thoughts and feelings. In junior high, Gantos went to a school that had once been a state prison. Once again, he spent most of his time reading outside of the classroom. Gantos decided to become a professional writer when he was in high school. While at Emerson, Gantos met art student Nicole Rubel; the pair became friends and decided to work together on picture books for children. After Gantos received his first rejection letters, he grew frustrated. While in the circus, Ralph becomes unhappy as a performer, and he runs away. He is found, ill and underfed, by Sarah, who welcomes him back home. It appears that Ralph has learned his lesson and will become less rotten, but Gantos gives indications that Ralph will revert to his impish self. Writing in Language Arts, Ruth M. Stein called Rotten Ralph a "successful first book by both author and illustrator. In subsequent volumes of the series, Ralph continues to be naughty and to get away with it. In all of the books in the series, Sarah always gives Ralph her unconditional love, no matter how many stunts he pulls. Critics have noted that Ralph, with his tricks, ploys, and demands for attention, is very much like a child, and

that children are attracted to his gleeful overindulgence. Flowers of Horn Book noted: A critic in Kirkus Reviews wrote: Finally, Ida realizes that she is growing fond of Bernice and Rex despite their shortcomings. A reviewer writing in Publishers Weekly commented: Like Rotten Ralph and their other books, their new one is a comic masterpiece. In Greedy Greeny, a little green monster has a nightmare after eating the watermelon that his mother was saving for dinner—as well as everything else in the refrigerator. Greeny dreams that he has become the watermelon and that he is going to be served to his family; his shouts awaken his mother, who calms and forgives him. Writing in Booklist, Denise M. The family is the picture of decorum before their transformations. However, after they become werewolves, the family dispenses spiders and snakes to babies and puts the other guests in medieval torture instruments such as racks and hanging manacles before returning home. A contributor to Kirkus Reviews noted: He married art dealer Anne A. Lower in ; the couple have a daughter, Mabel Grace. In , Gantos became graduate coordinator for the M. Stories from the Sixth Grade. Jack gets into situations with family, friends, and neighbors and at school. He fights with his know-it-all sister, attends the funeral of his maternal grandfather, sees his dog eaten by an alligator, and generally tries to do the right thing but lands in trouble. However, Jack bounces back, and in the process performs what Michael Cart called in School Library Journal "acts of unself-conscious kindness. He also thinks that he has gained the power to make things happen and, in the process of trying to be a man, conquers his fear of horses. As in the first volume, Gantos presents readers with both laughable moments and serious thoughts. Watson wrote in Horn Book that, as in the first book in the collection, "the first-person narrative authentically reproduces the language and observations of twelve-year-olds. Quirky and funny with some good advice subtly inserted. Deciding that he wants to be a serious writer, Jack buys a black book in which to write a novel. His junior high, a former detention center, is a magnet school for training in shop; consequently, the pressure is on him to do well in this subject. Jack makes a dog coffin for his class project, and then has to dig out his dead dog in order to pass seventh grade. Hanging out with his next-door neighbor, juvenile delinquent Gary Pagoda, Jack gets a tattoo of his dead dog on his big toe. He decides to give up his schemes to concentrate on just being himself. A contributor to Kirkus Reviews noted that Gantos "trots out one disgusting and dangerous event after another to give his morose protagonist material for jokes. Jack also wonders why he cries all the time, tries to exercise more self-control, and resolves to do the adult thing rather than the childish one. The next year he went to Vermont College, where he became a core faculty member, designed the M. He has also been a visiting professor at other universities. Gantos produced Zip Six, an adult novel, in In this work, a drug dealer meets an Elvis impersonator in prison, becomes his manager on the prison circuit, and is betrayed by him on the outside. In Gantos published Desire Lines, a young adult novel about sixteen-year-old Walker, a loner who lives in Fort Lauderdale , Florida, and spends much of his time alone on a golf course. Walker has been spying on two classmates, Karen and Jennifer, who have been making love at a duck pond on the course. When an anonymous teenage preacher comes to the school trying to enlist students for the hate group headed by his father, a minister who builds a church in the town, the boy tries to entice Walker, who refuses to participate. The boy then tries to blackmail Walker by accusing him of being gay. In order to prove his masculinity, Walker forms an alliance with three tough classmates in a gang they call the Box. When the Box members desecrate the new church and Walker is caught, the boys in the Box turn on him and pressure him to identify gays at their school. Walker outs Karen and Jennifer to save himself. When Karen confronts him at school, she asks Walker if he was the person who identified her and her lover, but he refuses to admit the truth. At the duck pond, Walker watches while Karen shoots Jennifer, then herself, in a suicide pact. Jennifer dies, but Karen survives to come back to school, where she again confronts Walker. Walker learns that the Box ratted him out. However, he still refuses to acknowledge his act to Karen. At the end of the novel, Walker is left alone with his guilt. A reviewer noted in Publishers Weekly: Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key is directed at middle graders. Joey, a boy in the early primary grades, has attention deficit disorder ADD and hyperactivity. Sent to a special education center for six weeks, he is given regulated medication and learns how to manage his behavior. Joey feels strong and hopeful when his treatment is completed. At the end of the story, he returns to his old school, where he is allowed to sit and read in the Big Quiet Chair. Throughout the book, which is narrated by Joey with flashes of humor, readers learn that he has been emotionally abused by his grandmother,

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who, like Joey, is hyperactive. Horn Book contributor Jennifer M. Despite the difficulties, Joey sets out to be "Mr. Helpful" and to make life better for everyone. Referring to the novel as "heart-wrenching," Susan Dove Lempke went on to write in her review in Booklist: This time, however, his dad has some good news. A Kirkus Reviews contributor commented: While his family is living in Puerto Rico, Gantos returns to Florida to finish his final year in high school. He needs money and agrees to help sail a yacht loaded with hashish from the Virgin Islands to New York City.

2: www.enganchecubano.com | Wedding Bells for Rotten Ralph

Ralph outdoes himself again in this picture book of wedding bliss and bedlam. It's Aunt Martha's wedding day and Sarah is the flower girl, but Ralph is determined to turn this celebration into an event only our favorite rotten cat could enjoy. He begins by wrapping the wedding gift with that special.

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5: Rotten Ralph | Arlington Public Library

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6: Wedding Bells for Rotten Ralph: www.enganchecubano.com: Jack Gantos, Nicole Rubel: Books

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