

Summer School! What Genius Thought That Up?

Henry Winkler & Lin Oliver

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This book is about Hank who hates the fact that he has to attend summer school while two of his best friends get to have fun at summer camp. But Hank ends up having some fun in summer school when he meets a kindergartner who idolizes him. When his teacher assigns him a project and recommends that he research Albert Einstein he is completely unaware of whom Albert Einstein is. But Hank turns out to be extremely interested in Albert Einstein and how they are very alike because just like Einstein Hank didn't get good grades, he is an underachiever, a slow reader and a curious kid. Hank also wants to be in his friends' talent show but he needs to get an A on his project or he can't participate.

This book is very enjoyable and reminds me of how much fun summer was when I was growing up. I especially enjoyed all of the mini vacations that my family took. It's also fascinating to learn about a famous person and discover how we can have things in common even though we will never get the chance to meet.

I recommend this book to 2nd graders and above. It's good for young readers to explore their uniqueness and to understand that studying hard will get you good grades. This book is also a very easy read that anyone can enjoy whether it is a student or a parent telling the story to their kid.

Recommended Book List:

The Night I Flunked My Field Trip, by Henry Winkler

The Witches, by Roald Dahl

My Father's Dragon, by Ruth Stiles Gannett