Diary of A Wimpy Kid
Meet the Author

- Born in 1971
- Born in Fort Washington, Maryland
- Married and has two sons
- Attended the University of Maryland and wrote a comic strip called “Igdoof” for the campus newspaper
- First three books of the series, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules*, and *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw* all made # 1 on the New York Times Bestseller list
- Two movies have been released from the books called *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and *Diary of a Wimpy Kid 2: Rodrick Rules*
List of Books

1. Diary of a Wimpy Kid
2. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules
3. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw
4. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days
5. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth
6. The Wimpy Kid: Do-It-Yourself Book
7. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever
New Release – November 15, 2011

Jeff Kinney's summary of this book:

Greg records his experiences in a middle school where he and his best friend, Rowley, undersized weaklings amid boys who need to shave twice daily, hope to survive, but when Rowley grows more popular Greg must take drastic measures to save their friendship. (Amulet Books, 2007)

Jeff Kinney's summary of this book:

Greg Heffley tells about his summer vacation and his attempts to steer clear of trouble when he returns to middles school and tries to keep his older brother, Rodrick, from telling everyone about Greg's most humiliating experience of the summer. (Amulet Books, 2008)

Jeff Kinney’s summary of this book:

Middle-schooler Greg Heffley nimbly sidesteps his father’s attempts to change Greg’s wimpy ways until his father threatens to send him to military school. (Amulet Books, 2009)

Jeff Kinney’s summary of this book:

In the latest diary of middle-schooler Greg Heffley, he records his attempts to spend his summer vacation sensibly indoors playing video games and watching television, despite his mother’s other ideas. (Amulet Books, 2009)

Jeff Kinney's summary of this book:

Greg Heffley has always been in a hurry to grow up. But is getting older really all it's cracked up to be?

Greg suddenly finds himself dealing with the pressures of boy-girl parties, increased responsibilities, and even the awkward changes that come with getting older—all without his best friend, Rowley, at his side. Can Greg make it through on his own? Or will he have to face the “ugly truth”? (Amulet Books, 2010)

Jeff Kinney’s summary of this book:

With *The Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself Book*, you’re the author, illustrator, and main character. Filled with loads of interactive pages and plenty of space to write your own life’s story, this book is all you need to create your masterpiece. Whatever you do, make sure you put it someplace safe after you finish. Because when you’re rich and famous, this thing is going to be worth a fortune. (Amulet Books, 2011)
Activities for the classroom

1. Create a Diary of a Wimpy Kid Word Wall
2. Complete a character analysis of Greg Heffley or any of the other main characters using a character chart.
3. Create and perform a skit from one of Greg Heffley’s journal entries about his misadventures with Rowley.
4. Predict Greg Heffley’s future. Create a journal entry set in the future when Greg is 20, 30, or 40 years old. Don’t forget the cartoon drawings!
5. Start your own journal using the writing style of Jeff Kinney.
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