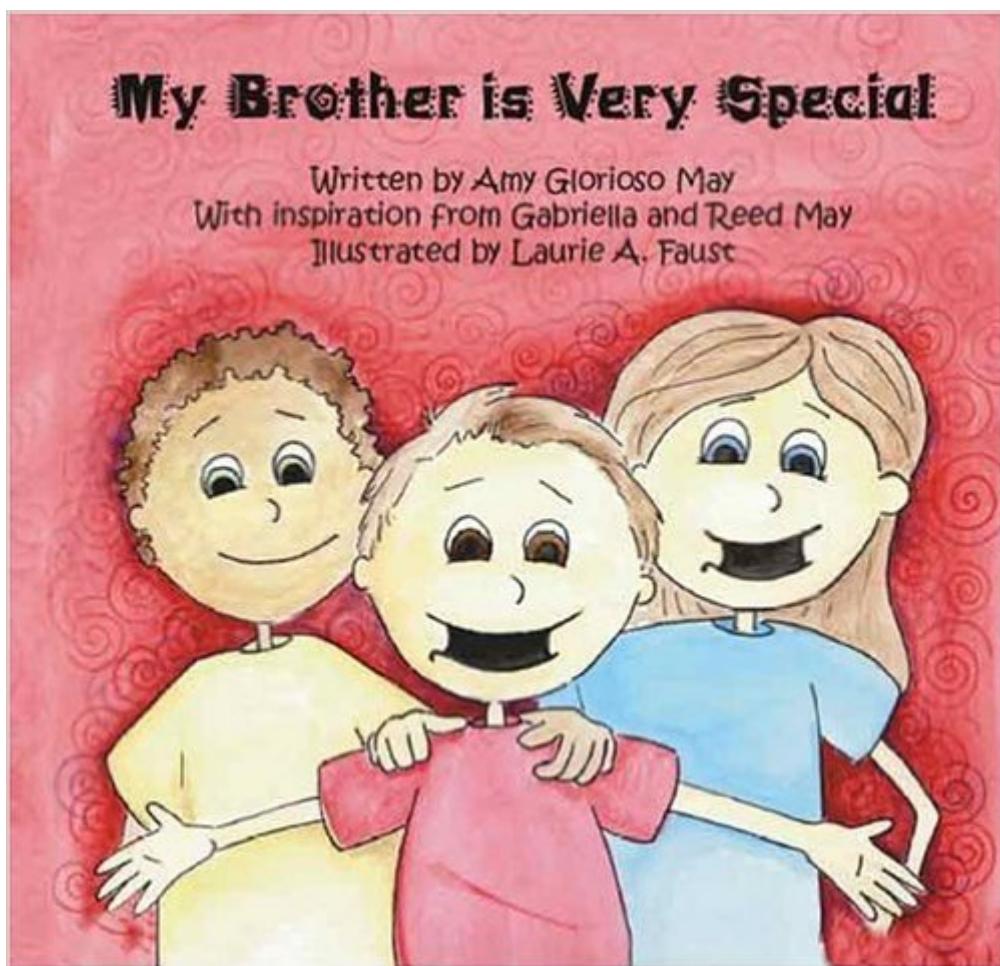


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# My Brother Is Very Special



## **Synopsis**

Every child is special. Whether it is a child's bright red hair, or picture perfect dimples; a boy's powerful line drives, or a girl's angelic choir solo, each child stands out from the rest in his or her own way. Sometimes a child's uniqueness isn't so accepted by his or her peers. Maybe they have never seen it. Maybe they are afraid of it. Maybe they just need to learn more about it. This story is about a little boy, Reed, who is very different than most little children. Reed has a severe speech disorder, Apraxia, which leaves him almost completely unintelligible to his peers. This story is told from the viewpoint of his older sister, as she is well aware of his challenges and his triumphs. Instead of exclusively focusing on what Reed is unable to do, this story portrays the many things he can do with his peers, in spite of his inability to speak to them. "My Brother is Very Special" gently teaches young children about acceptance in a way that they can developmentally understand. By reading this story to young children, we encourage them to ask questions about differences they see in others. In return, this soothes their fears and fosters their acceptance. Although the main character in this book has a speech disorder, it is written in a way that makes it universal. With developmentally appropriate text and bright, whimsical illustrations, "My Brother is Very Special" is perfect for all young children.

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## **Customer Reviews**

What a wonderful story to share with family, friends, and classmates about accepting differences in others. A perfect choice for my son with Apraxia of speech! Touching! I will be buying copies for our

little friends, cousins, and my son's school!

This was exactly what I wanted! My almost 3 year old was diagnosed with Childhood Apraxia Of Speech, and I wanted something I could read to his pre k class on Apraxia Awarness day (5/14) this was perfect!

We got 2 copies of this book several years ago... one copy to keep at home, and one for my son to take to school every year on the first day, to introduce his speech Apraxia to his classmates. This book was very helpful in educating his classmates & build his self esteem! He is 15 now, has been out of speech therapy for 2 years, and is a big advocate for Apraxia Awareness. We will soon be getting yet another copy of this book, to raffle off at our Walk for Apraxia event in October!!

What a special book! As a parent of a child who has apraxia, I purchased this book for my daughter's teacher and speech therapists so they could share it with other children.

This is a nice little book for introducing young children to differences in the way we communicate. It gives a simple, brief introduction to speech difficulties, such as apraxia, framed within the idea that we are all different and special.

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