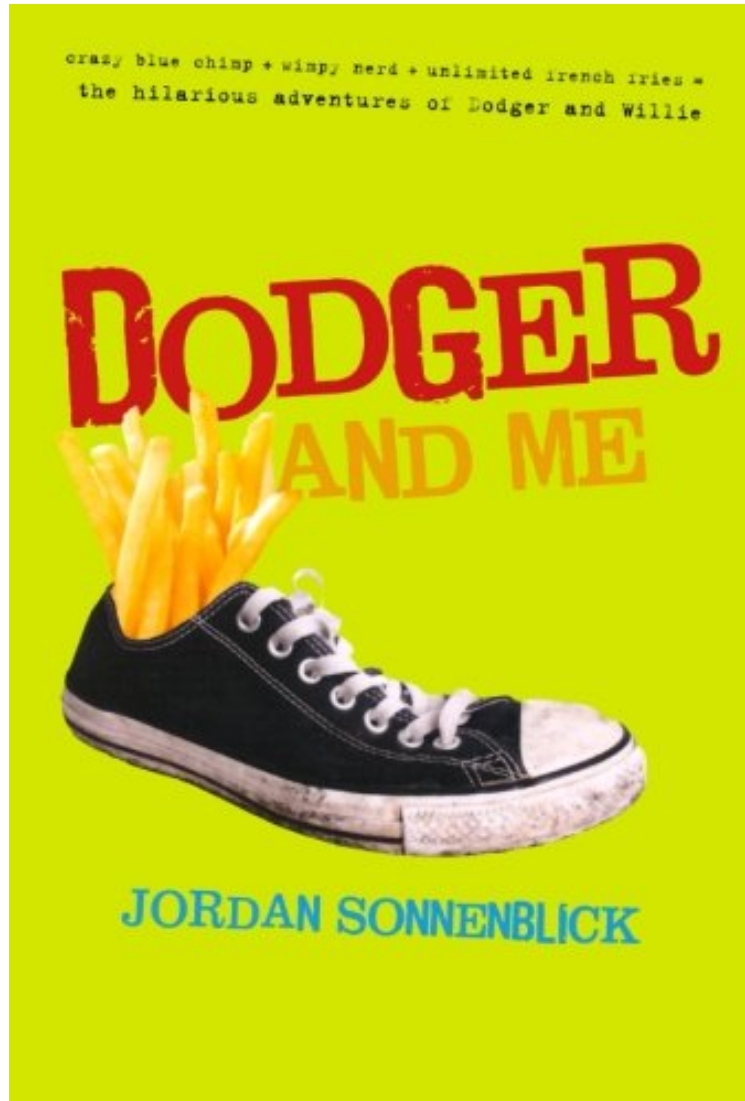


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A boy's imaginary friend is driving him crazy in *Dodger and Me*, the first installment of a hilarious new series by acclaimed author Jordan Sonnenblick. What would you do if your best friend was: 1. Imaginary? 2. An oversize blue chimp in surfer shorts? (Potentially embarrassing, but hey, no one else can see him . . . right?) 3. Proposing a plan to help you improve your life? 4. Did we say imaginary? 5. Driving you crazy?!?! Now you have an idea of what Willie Ryan's life is like when he meets Dodger. It's the beginning of a lot of trouble and a friendship you'll never forget!

From School Library Journal Grade 4-7 In this sweet but predictable novel, Willie Ryan is a boy with three problems: he's terrible at baseball and keeps letting his team down, his mother is overprotective, and a girl named Lizzie won't leave him alone. A detour through the woods leads him to a genielike blue chimpanzee called Dodger, who is at first visible only to the fifth grader. Dodger's attempts to solve Willie's problems lead to disaster. Some of the situations are funny, as when the boy's love for banana yogurt leads to chaos in the cafeteria, and Dodger's surfer-inspired vocabulary and wild ideas for improving Willie's life make for some lighter moments. However, some of the humor seems strained, and most of the characters, especially Willie's parents, are not well developed. Lizzie is also a bit of a mystery, as is her matter-of-fact reaction when Dodger appears to her. It's no surprise when Willie realizes that he's grown attached to Dodger despite the chimp's ineptitude, that he doesn't really want his mother to become a different person, and that he likes Lizzie after all. Baseball fans will enjoy this novel, while other readers will likely find the story amusing but shallow. Miranda Doyle, San Francisco Public Library Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist He knows he's not supposed to take the shortcut through the woods. But after letting down his baseball team once again, Willie (a.k.a. Wimpy) disobeys his overprotective mother's warnings and veers off down the forbidden path. There he finds, emerging genie-like from a magic lamp, a large blue chimpanzee named Dodger, who vows to be his new best friend. As Willie begins to use the three wishes he is granted, he grows more wary and more aware of what really matters to him. Like many a hero given the traditional wishes, Willie doesn't always make good choices, but he picks up some useful skills and even a bit of wisdom along the way. Mercifully, as narrator, he doesn't feel the need to spell out the lessons learned. The humor will draw kids especially Dodger's off-the-wall dialogue and the outlandish predicaments that result when he decides to help. The story grows increasingly engaging as Willie starts moving toward what he really wants. Grades 4-6. -- Carolyn Phelan The humor will draw kids including Dodger's off-the-wall dialogue and the outlandish predicaments that result when he decides to help.' The story grows increasingly engaging as Willie starts moving toward what he really wants. Booklist Baseball fans will enjoy this novel. School Library Journal It is roll on the floor funny with several nice messages tucked in for good measure. Brenda Kahn, Librarian, Haworth Public School (NJ)