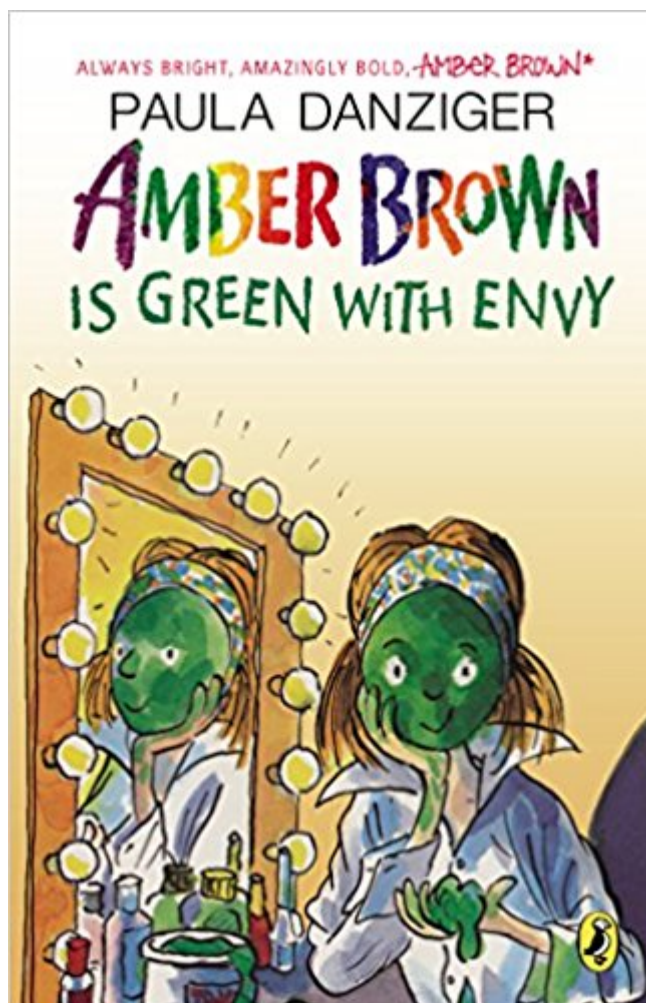


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Amber Brown Is Green With Envy



Synopsis

Always Bright, Amazingly Bold, Amber Brown! Amber's parents just aren't acting the way she thinks parents should. Sometimes her dad goes out on dates when he is supposed to be spending time with her. And her Mom went to Disneyland with Aunt Pam while Amber was with her dad (not fair!). Then Mom and Max decide to get married even sooner and move to a new house—maybe even a new town. Some kids seem to have no problems...and that makes Amber Brown green with envy.

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Customer Reviews

Grade 2-4-Fourth-grade Amber Brown is back, and she thinks that nothing in her life is fair, from her mom and aunt going to Disneyland without her to the many changes she must face within her family. Her mother and Max are planning their upcoming wedding, their new life together, and maybe even a future baby together and a new house, and Amber doesn't like it one bit. She's also angry at her father because he has a date. Then she must make a difficult decision when her mom and Max let her help choose between a new home with a swimming pool in a different town and a new, but "boring" house in a nearby neighborhood. Ross's black-and-white drawings show Amber's

humorous facial expressions and her daily life. This upbeat and funny first-person narrative will keep readers hooked, even while Amber deals with the emotions that many kids her age experience. This title will be enjoyed by early chapter-book readers whether familiar with Amber or not. Michele Shaw, Yorkshire Academy, Houston, TX Copyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

Gr. 2-4. From the popular series that began with *Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon* (1994), this accessible chapter book finds Amber in some distress as her divorced parents struggle to make new lives for themselves. On their weekend "together," Amber's father breaks a promise to take her to a movie, leaves her with a sitter, and goes out with a woman he met that day in the grocery store. Meanwhile, Amber's mother and her intended husband, Max, shop for a house, but not necessarily in the same town or near the same school that Amber has always known. Worse still, Amber's dad is furious with her mom and Max, and the feeling is mutual. The first-person narrative is fresh, articulate, and occasionally funny, though Danziger delivers more than light entertainment here. Readers will feel Amber's pain as she confronts each parent and her surprise when she finds comfort in the most unlikely place--the principal's office. Ross contributes lively, expressive ink drawings that help lighten this truthful but hopeful portrait of Amber's family in transition. Carolyn Phelan Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

She loves this author

I think it was just cute. it was just like my parents story a little and I think I was just amazing.

The book was a birthday gift for my granddaughter. She really loves the Amber Brown books and she really loves to read.

I think this is a fun, interesting, and exciting book! I think that the young children will love it so much

I purchased this book for my granddaughter (age 8), whose parents never married and don't live together. I read it first and gave it to her mother to decide. We both felt that, although there was a happy ending, it presented a terribly negative view of the father and the mother.

I get a great many very specific requests as a children's librarian. Parents often want books for their kids that discuss bullying, a death in the family, or the advantages of being potty trained. One of the requests I have not yet received, but I expect to, is for books that contain children of divorce. Specifically a book series. There are remarkably few that I could spontaneously come up with off the top of my head but, "Amber Brown Is Green With Envy", a title in the popular Amber Brown series, is one of those few. Paula Danziger died on July 8, 2004 but her tender, well-written Amber books will remain a favorite of children everywhere for decades to come. In this particular installment in the series, Amber Brown has adjusted to living with her father sometimes and her mother sometimes. When she's at her father's house, Amber enjoys spending time with his wacky upstairs neighbors. When she's at her mother's home, she enjoys her old friends and school. Unfortunately, this kind of perfect arrangement cannot last. Amber's mom and Max (her mom's boyfriend) are getting married soon, a fact that Amber is pleased about (and her dad is not). Unfortunately, this means that the new family is going to have to move into an entirely new house. Possibly out of town. Amber, faced with the prospect of losing all her friends, her favorite teacher, and her school is understandably upset. Fortunately, she's surrounded by caring adults that know exactly how to help her make her feelings known on this and many other subjects. Amber Brown, as a character, is one of those fictional children that are a little more gifted than their real-life contemporaries. When Amber sits her mother down and explains to her why she's currently angry, she does so with a maturity that I wish most adults today had. The funny thing about Amber, aside from her wise-beyond-her-years speech, is that she's a likable character that isn't bratty in the least. Most books with characters of this sort, whether they be Junie B. Jones or Judy Moody, have a streak of preciousness to them. Not Amber. When she's angry or sad, she has every right in the world to be so. For example, when her father (after talking about how he wants to spend as much time with Amber as possible) leaves on a date on the same night that he promised Amber he'd go to the movies with her, she's furious. And with good reason. There's something particularly satisfying in the scene where she confronts him with this fact. I should clarify that even if Amber Brown says things that a normal nine-year-old would probably be incapable of (even if they felt the way she did, they wouldn't have the ability to put those feelings into words) she's still a completely believable character. Full credit should also go to illustrator Tony Ross for his simple yet right-on-the-money pictures that accompany the tale. The more I read this book, the sadder I became that Paula Danziger will no longer be around to follow up on Amber's later years. Ah well. Until reading this book I had no idea why my library branch had so many books in the Amber Brown series. Now I understand. A well-written series for kids that tackles a tough subject like divorce (and kids caught in the middle of it) doesn't come along every

day. But when it's as beautifully penned as "Amber Brown Is Green With Envy", you'll never search for another.

Amber Brown is a nine year old fourth grader whose parents have recently gotten divorced. If this were not enough, she also is dealing with her parents new social life. While she is visiting her dad's for the weekend, he decides to leave her at home to go on a date. In addition, her mom is getting remarried. And to top it all off, Amber is going to have to move from the house that she loves and has lived in all of her life to another house possibly in another town. All of these changes in Amber's life cause her to wish for a normal family. At times she is envious of her friend's families who seem to have it all together. Throughout the book we see a child who is dealing with the effects of a divorce and we are introduced to the many feelings she encounters with this major change. This is the first book in the Amber Series that I have read so far. I was impressed with the way Paula Danziger deals with the sensitive subject of divorce in a way that a child could relate to. I believe that this book could be invaluable to other children who are facing the issue of divorce and the changes that this brings. I also feel that this book is an excellent book for educators as well as parents to read in order to understand how divorce affects us all.

This was a funny but very realistic story about a 9-year-old child dealing with the upheaval of divorce. It depicts parents arguing with each other in front of their child, moving away from the child's original house, the child into tears at school, a parent dating and neglecting the child during their weekend of custody, etc. I thought this was the best of the series. My daughter started reading these books in the 2nd grade just after her father and I split up. She's in the 8th grade now, and I'm still recommending that she read this one because it deals with relevant topics in a humorous way.

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