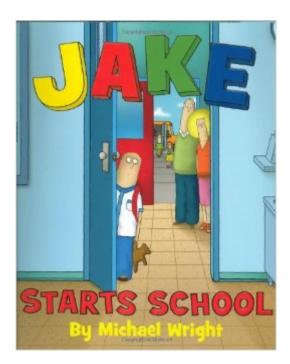
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# **Jake Starts School**





# Synopsis

It's Jake's first day of school.He doesn't want his mom and dad to leave him there, alone.Now, Jake and his parents have to spend the first day of school together. Finger painting. Sharing snacks. Playing on the seesaw.Will Jake ever be able to stay at school on his own?The answer will delight and reassure children and their (anxious) parents!

# **Book Information**

Hardcover: 48 pages Publisher: Feiwel & Friends; First Edition edition (June 24, 2008) Language: English ISBN-10: 0312367988 ISBN-13: 978-0312367985 Product Dimensions: 9.6 x 0.4 x 10.8 inches Shipping Weight: 15.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.4 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (13 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #1,229,958 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #293 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > First Day of School #2075 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Family Life > New Experiences #5818 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > School Age Range: 4 - 7 years Grade Level: Preschool and up

## **Customer Reviews**

Let's see. As a kid I had a brief love of a blanket (which ended abruptly when my mother put it in the washing machine one day). I was a perpetual crier, bursting into tears at the slightest nudge or misunderstanding. And I was afraid of dogs too. Yet my parents never really thought to themselves, "Let's find Betsy a picture book about a blankie/crying/dog that will help her work through her issues." That is because bibliotherapy hadn't hit its heyday in the early 80s (nor, for that matter, would the selection of quality picture books on those topics have been much to crow about). These days I'm a children's librarian and my reference desk is regularly visited by parents looking to secure the picture book that will explain to their child why they shouldn't do such-n-such or fear such-n-so. Whether this parenting technique actually works is up for debate, but one thing is certain. Authors everywhere have done their darndest to convince us that their book is THE best on the

topic you desire. And outside of a trip to the dentist or to get a shot at the doctor's, the most harrowing experience looming in a preschooler's near future is the prospect of the first day of school. Now Michael Wright brings back Jake, a young fellow who has already navigated the turbulent waters of nighttime in Jake Stays Awake. In "Jake Starts School" we see fear on display and a lesson imparted so skillfully as to almost seem like it was a sweet accident of writing rather than the author's entire goal. As first day of school books go, Wright's everyboy will strike the right chord with a whole generation of kids.And it seemed to be going so well.

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