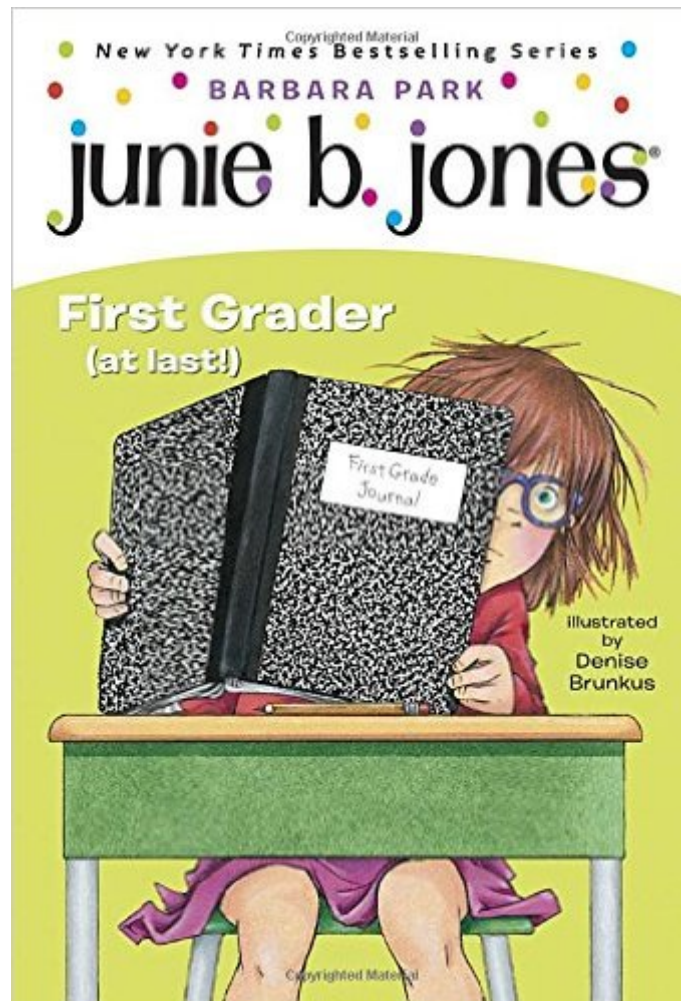


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# Junie B., First Grader (at Last!) (Junie B. Jones, No. 18)



## Synopsis

Barbara Park's™s New York Times bestselling chapter book series, Junie B. Jones, is a classroom favorite and has been keeping kids laughing and reading for more than twenty years. Over 60 million copies in print and now with a bright new look for a new generation! Meet the World's™s Funniest First Grader! Junie B. Jones! Hurray, hurray for a brand-new school year! Being in first grade means having to get used to a whole new classroom. And a whole new teacher. And a whole new bunch of strange children. But here's™s the worst thing of all: When Junie B. tries to read words on the chalkboard, she can't™t seem to see what everyone else is seeing! Is it possible she might actually end up wearing glasses? USA Today: Junie B. is the darling of the young-reader set. Publishers Weekly: Park convinces beginning readers that Junie B. and reading are lots of fun. Kirkus Reviews: Junie's™s swarms of young fans will continue to delight in her unique take on the world. . . . A hilarious, first-rate read-aloud. Time: Junie B. Jones is a feisty six-year-old with an endearing penchant for honesty.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

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## Customer Reviews

First grade may never be the same! My own class can hardly wait for reading time when we've got a

Junie B. book, and they we're especially excited to hear about her foray into the first grade. We loved it. The first grade book introduces you to Junie B. and her new journal (where Junie expresses her famous off the wall sense of humor), her new teacher, her new friends, and (gasp!) her new glasses. The book is both touching and funny. It perfectly captures the fear young children have about being different and about being made fun of by their classmates, and handles it with both great comedy and a sense of reality that all kids can relate to. I was really surprised to read that this book disappointed some. I couldn't imagine a better introduction to the first grade and neither could my students. We're all looking forward to the next one.

In this story when Junie B. gets to be a First Grader, she needs to get glasses because she cannot see the board. She also has a new teacher named Mr. Scary. It's funny because she has her friend Lucille in her class. Also, her other friend Grace has a new friend to sit with on the bus and Junie B. has nobody to sit with. I really love Junie B. and have the whole collection.

My kids and I were so excited when we heard the new Junie B. was finally out, we could hardly wait to start reading it. We are huge fans of the whole series, and her first adventure as a first grader did not disappoint. The only time we put it down was to hold our aching sides (caused by laughing too much). There is one scene where Junie B. is trying to read the chalk board- before she gets her new glasses- that is absolutely hilarious Junie B. as a first grader is a little older, a little wiser, and a little more mature- as one would expect- but every bit as funny. We can't wait for the next one!

These books are completely inappropriate for the kindergarten/1st grade set. Words like "hate" and "stupid" are commonplace as is name calling and other bad behavior. I was very disappointed as I had hoped for a great series for my almost 1st grader. These books give kids a really bad example of how to treat others.. something they should be learning at this age.

My kids love Junie B. and are thrilled that she's finally in first grade! The latest book in the series is just as funny as the kindergarten books, and I was pleased to see that Junie's now facing some of the same issues my kids are (fear of a new classroom, etc.), and is of course handling them with her signature hilarity. The book gave us a lot to talk about (it's a little meatier than the other books, and a great jumping off point for discussions) and my daughter wouldn't rest until we'd read it through twice (she also wants to start keeping a journal--which Junie does in the book). We loved the new characters (know-it-all May had us laughing out loud) and were so happy to see some of our

favorites back from the earlier books. Kudos to Barbara Park and Junie B. Jones--we can't wait to see what the rest of first grade brings!

I'm 10, and I just finished: Junie B., First Grader (at Last!) and it wasn't the best. Junie B. may have improved on how she talked, but I didn't like the way she acted. She acted sort of like a snob, like when her mom talked about how glasses can be like a window, put them on--POOF!--and the world's crystal clear. All Junie B. said was: \*Poof yourself.\* I thought that was mean. I would have gotten more than a time-out if I said that. \*\*\* Junie B. also needs to have writing skills like a First Grader. Her journal writings look like a 12-year-old's. The book was nice, but I think Junie B. needs to learn to act a bit more polite and needs to learn to act a bit more like the Junie B. I've learned to love.

I can't imagine more inappropriate reading for a 5-8 year old. These books are loaded with poor grammar, individual words that are too advanced and, on top of that, they encourage bad behavior. Avoid this series.

I don't think Junie B acts much like a FIRST GRADER. I'm surprised she spelled lots of words right in her journal at school. That has (and STILL) confused/confuses me. I'm 11 and I have some of my School Journals from 1st and 2nd grade. I couldn't spell: Yesterday, muscles, believe, recess, actually, sentences, brought, or teacher. But Junie B spelled ALL of those words right!!! I was sort of shocked. I don't even write entries like THAT in my school journal. Junie B has lost her spunk and her laugh-out-loud antics. All the kindergarten books are better than the Junie B., First Graders. I wish she had her bow back too. Like some of the other people who wrote these reviews, Junie B isn't the same without the big bow on her head. Now a pair of outrageous purple glasses are in its place. Come on, people! They're PURPLE!!! Just like what May had said. Junie B feels like a totally different kid and character now. It's like a brand new series that has NO connection with the kindergarten books, except for when she occasionally mentions friends from kindergarten. I wish Junie B was the same again. And not this new bossy kid. Hey! My brother Carson (he's older than me) figured something out! THE "B" STANDS FOR BOSS!!!! It also stands for: Bully, Big Meanie, Bad Girl, and Blabber-Mouth. She's spoiled and bossy and gets her way a lot. She's getting away with more stuff as a 1st grader. I wish she was still the same...

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