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How to Talk to Moms

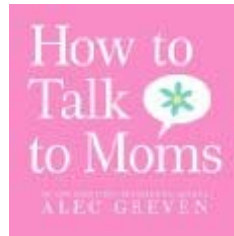
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Greven, Alec. *How to Talk to Moms*. Illustrated by Kei Acedera. HarperCollins, 2009. ISBN 9780061710018. \$9.99. 47 p.

Reviewer: Alison Canar

Reading Level: Primary, Intermediate, Young adult

Rating: Excellent

Genre: Informational;

Subject: Mothers--Juvenile literature; Mothers--Psychology--Juvenile literature; Mother and child--Juvenile literature; Books--Reviews;

The ten-year old Casanova who taught readers all they needed to know about girls has more wisdom to share. This time his subject is that older woman in a boy's life--his mom. Although the title is *How to Talk to Moms*, there are fewer specific conversation points in this piece than Greven's first. It is also more generic and less wittily original. Nonetheless, there are still a few valuable techniques, such as learning how to avoid "the backfire" when trying to get out of chores. This book works well as a mother-son read along or as a novelty gift for mom. She will especially love the final chapter, "Why I Love My Mom," which praises moms for their unconditional love and devotion.

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