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# The Naughty List

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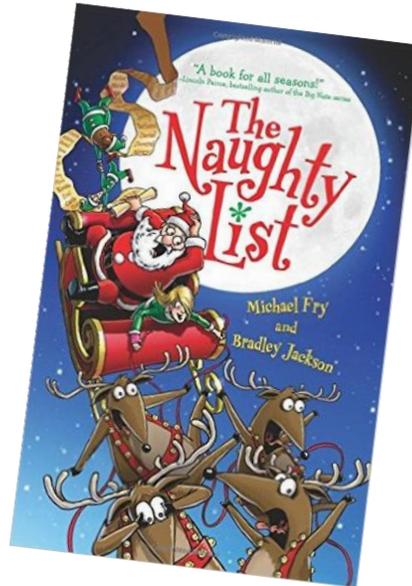
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# Book Review

**Title:** The Naughty List  
**Author:** Michael Fry  
**Illustrator:** Bradley Jackson  
**Reviewer:** Aylea Stephens  
**Publisher:** HarperCollins  
**Publication Year:** 2015  
**ISBN:** 9780062354754  
**Number of Pages:** 240  
**Interest Level:** Primary  
**Rating:** Dependable



## Review

Bobbie used to love Christmas, but this year she's certain that Christmas is bullying her so she decides to just ignore the bully. When her decision to ignore Christmas interferes to the point that her little brother is put on the Naughty List, Bobbie travels to the North Pole to talk to a half-lazy, half-Ninja Santa Claus, incontinent reindeer, rogue elves, and angry abandoned snow angels to save Christmas for her brother and the rest of the world. Because of her adventures, she learns that there is more to Christmas magic than she had previously supposed.

Similar to Wimpy Kid and other notebook books, this book helps engaged reluctant readers with comics and other illustrations. Sometimes the illustrations don't seem to tie completely in with the text around them, making them feel unnecessary or confusing, while other times the illustrations are crucial to understanding what is going on in the story. The book's audience has to be old enough to not be disturbed by the lazy Santa or the attacking elves, but still young enough to appreciate the book's humor. The wild and wacky holiday adventure in this book will please readers looking for a fun Christmas story where nothing goes as expected.