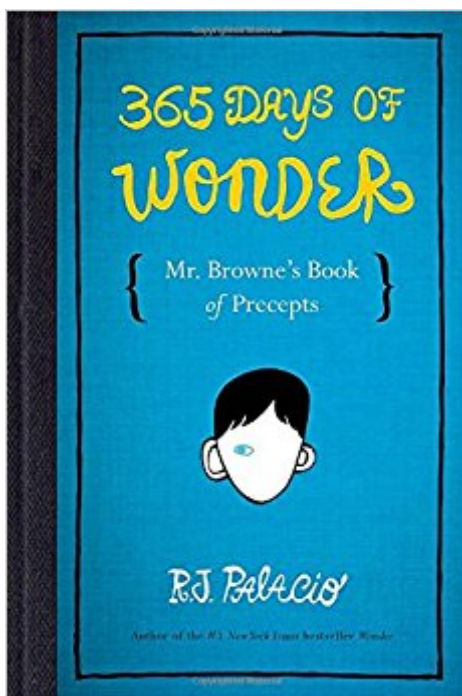


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# 365 Days Of Wonder: Mr. Browne's Book Of Precepts



## Synopsis

WONDER™ IS SOON TO BE A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE STARRING JULIA ROBERTS AND JACOB TREMBLAY! Over 6 million people have read the #1 New York Times bestseller Wonder—the book that inspired the Choose Kind movement—and have fallen in love with Auggie Pullman, an ordinary boy with an extraordinary face. In Wonder, readers were introduced to memorable English teacher Mr. Browne and his love of precepts. This companion book features conversations between Mr. Browne and Auggie, Julian, Summer, Jack Will, and others, giving readers a special peek at their lives after Wonder ends. Mr. Browne's essays and correspondence are rounded out by a precept for each day of the year—drawn from popular songs to children's books to inscriptions on Egyptian tombstones to fortune cookies. His selections celebrate the goodness of human beings, the strength of people's hearts, and the power of people's wills. There's something for everyone here, with words of wisdom from such noteworthy people as Anne Frank, Martin Luther King Jr., Confucius, Goethe, Sappho—and over 100 readers of Wonder who sent R. J. Palacio their own precepts.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Graciela Palacio's masterpiece, *Wonder* (Knopf, 2012), has spawned a nonfiction companion featuring precepts, or words to live by, from Beecher Prep's beloved teacher Mr. Browne. The book opens with Mr. Browne discovering his love of precepts in a line from a book written by his namesake, the 17th-century English author Thomas Browne: "We carry within us the wonders we seek around us." What follows is an incredible collection of sayings, many that emphasize the importance of kindness. Presented in calendar format, including the month and day, though not the year, the 365 precepts are collected from great literary efforts, the annals of history, and the contributions of child readers of *Wonder*, chosen by Palacio herself. Each month concludes with a written offering from Mr. Browne, with intermittent input from *Wonder*'s most important characters. These salutary compositions fill in missing details from the original story, provide an update for the characters, and expand on the meaning of the precepts. What seems by description a novelty item is in fact anything but. The quality of the selections, the closure obtained from the added *Wonder* details, and the thought-provoking opportunities for teachers, parents, and students make this a recommended purchase for libraries where *Wonder* is popular. Collections without a *Wonder* following may wish to forgo purchase, as readers unfamiliar with the fictional counterpart may not see the value in this work.

—Cindy Wall, Southington Library & Museum, CT

Praise for *WONDER*: #1 *New York Times* bestseller | *School Library Journal* Best of Children's Books | *Publishers Weekly* Best of Children's Books | *Kirkus Reviews* Best of Children's Books | *AA* Booklist Best of Children's Books "Wonder is essentially ... a wonder. It's well-written, engaging, and so much fun to read that the pages almost turn themselves. More than that, *Wonder* touches the heart in the most life-affirming, unexpected ways, delivering in August Pullman a character whom readers will remember forever." Do yourself a favor and read this book — your life will be better for it." — Nicholas Sparks, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author *Slate.com*: "Wonder is the best kids' book of the year." *Entertainment Weekly*: "In a wonder of a debut, Palacio has written a crackling page-turner filled with characters you can't help but root for." *The New York Times*: "Rich and memorable...It's Auggie and the rest of the children who are the real heart of 'Wonder,' and Palacio captures the voices of girls and boys, fifth graders and teenagers, with equal skill." *The Wall Street Journal*: "What makes R.J. Palacio's debut novel so remarkable, and so lovely, is the uncommon generosity with which she tells Auggie's story. The result is a beautiful, funny and sometimes sob-making story of quiet transformation." *The Huffington Post*: "It's in the

bigger themes that Palacio's writing shines. This book is a glorious exploration of the nature of friendship, tenacity, fear, and most importantly, kindness." "Full of heart, full of truth, *Wonder* is a book about seeing the beauty that's all around us. I dare you not to fall in love with Auggie Pullman." - Rebecca Stead, Newbery award-winning author of *When You Reach Me* "It is the deceptive simplicity and honesty of the work that make *Wonder* so memorable. Every single character seems real and well drawn and oh-so human... This book is beautiful." - Christopher Paul Curtis, Newbery award-winning author of *Bud, Not Buddy* "A beautiful story of kindness and courage. There are many real and well-developed characters, and they each have their shining moments. Of course, Auggie shines the brightest." - Clare Vanderpool, Newbery award-winning author of *Moon Over Manifest* "Wonder is a beautifully told story about heartache, love, and the value of human life. One comes away from it wanting to be a better person." - Patricia Reilly Giff, two-time Newbery honor-winning author of *Lily's Crossing* and *Pictures of Hollis Woods* "Wonder is a shining jewel of a story that cannot help but encourage readers of all ages to do better, to be better, in how they treat others in life. I'm totally in love with this novel." - Trudy Ludwig, anti-bullying advocate and author of *My Secret Bully*, *Confessions of a Former Bully*, *Better Than You*, and *Just Kidding* *Starred Review*, *Publishers Weekly*: "Few first novels pack more of a punch: it's a rare story with the power to open eyes--and hearts--to what it's like to be singled out for a difference you can't control, when all you want is to be just another face in the crowd." *Starred Review*, *Booklist*: "Palacio makes it feel not only effortless but downright graceful, and by the stand-up-and-cheer conclusion, readers will be doing just that, and feeling as if they are part of this troubled but ultimately warm-hearted community." *Starred Review*, *School Library Journal*: "Palacio has an exceptional knack for writing realistic conversation and describing the thoughts and emotions of the characters... A well-written, thought-provoking book." *Starred Review*, *Kirkus Reviews*: "A memorable story of kindness, courage and wonder." •

I got this book for my 10 year old nephew and grandson. I read the book before giving it to them. It held my attention and I have yet to hear how they enjoyed it. I think it would hold their interest as well. What I liked best about this book is the lesson it teaches. *Wonder* is about a boy who had a grotesque face, even though he had many surgeries. The boy was home schooled and the decision was made to send him to a public school. This book shows how a personality can overcome and

physical deformities and how he was accepted for who he was.

This book has so many wonderful inspiration quotes. I bought it mainly to use for notes for my children's lunches. I put a quote a day in their lunches.

My granddaughter was delighted with this book which she received for her birthday upon request.

I write the daily precept on the board in my classroom every day and talk about it with my students. It opens up great conversations. Perfect for classrooms

11 yr old likes this and they use it at school

I really enjoyed this book.

What a wonderful follow up and support to Wonder. Mr. Brown's Precepts are a very important aspect of Wonder and having them all together is super great! I find myself turning to them almost like a desk calendar with a daily thought. Hey that's a good idea - a calendar. I'll certainly buy it. The Precepts are provocative, inspirational, and sometime just plain fun. Read this one to enrich your life.,

My daughter really enjoyed Wonder by tjis same author so we thought she would enjoy this book equally but she said it was just okay because it is a book of poems...I guess she hoped it would be one big great story

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