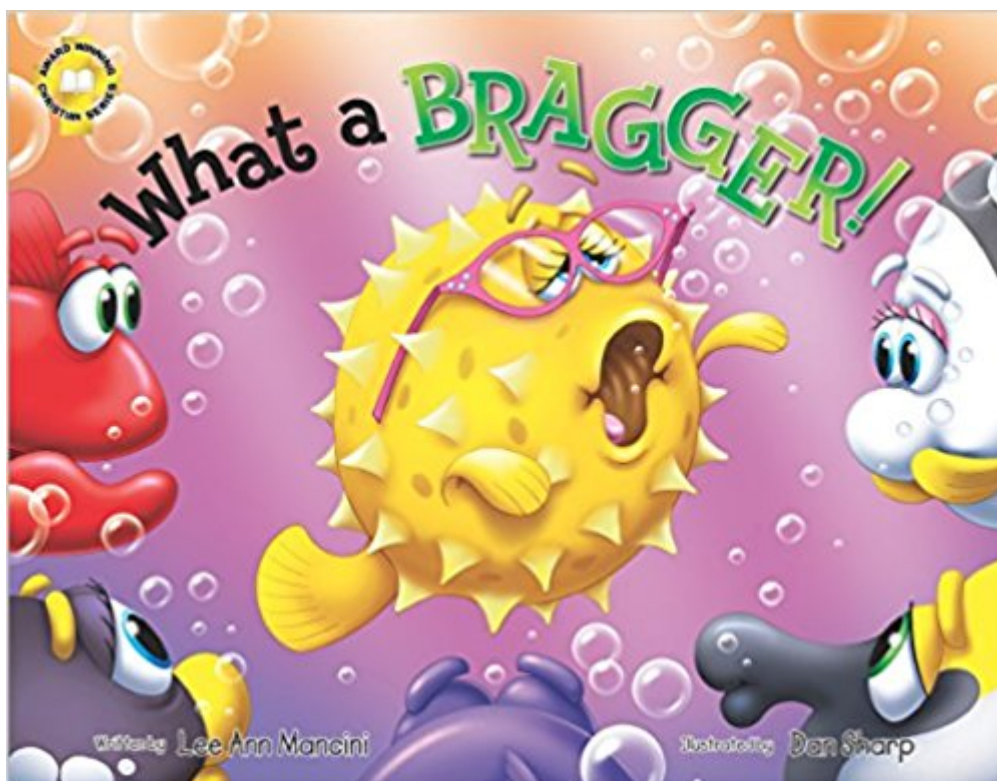


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What A Bragger! (Softcover)



Synopsis

Multiple Award-winning book series helps to build a strong, foundational relationship with Jesus, while teaching love, and compassion for others! Melissa likes to brag that she can swim the fastest, climb the highest, and has the best of everything. Corey finds her crying in the sand box with her broken shovel, the only toy she had. They all chip in treasure coins for her birthday present. Melissa prays, giving thanks to God for her friends, and learns they are more important than all the toys in the sea.

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Customer Reviews

As a teacher, we are always looking for moral based books. I wish more authors would consider value/Christian topics. Thank you for this cute new book with a great lesson. Connie Friedland, Spanish River Christian School Teacher, Boca Raton, Florida "This will be a great book to read again and again!" Heidi Bee-Buzz 4 Mommies "I also recommend picking up a copy of this book to see the jaw-dropping, stunning illustrations done by Dan Sharp." Angie Fehl- EpicFehlReader From Readers Digest! Judge's Commentary*: WHAT A BRAGGER by Lee Ann Mancini is a wonderful book that combines two lessons for young children--that you shouldn't brag and that you should get your strength from Jesus--in one. An excellent reminder for both children and adults in this competitive, hectic world. The professional illustrations by Dan Sharp

make the book pop. Highly recommended! The production values of this book make it stand out among any others immediately. The title jumps out. The yellow fish is wearing eyeglasses! So amusing! When you turn the book over and learn that Dan Sharp is an industry veteran who has illustrated for such giants as Disney, Warner Brothers, and American Greetings, you understand why he knows exactly how to grab the consumer's attention. Then you see that the author, Lee Ann Mancini, is no slouch. She has earned her right to author this book by earning a Master of Christian Studies degree. No wonder this is a worthy book. I really hope many people discover WHAT A BRAGGER. People of faith will appreciate it, but people of all faiths or no faith appreciate those who practice humility. A hidden picture bonus is lots of fun, too. The author and illustrator have done a great job! I hope this team will continue to work together on many more books!

Lee Ann Mancini is currently an adjunct professor at South Florida Bible College and Theological Seminary. Her series, "Adventure of the Sea Kids" is a multiple, award-winning series. Promoting Christian values for children. Lee Ann graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies from Regent University, a Masters in Biblical and Theology Studies from Knox Seminary, Magna Cum Laude, and a Masters in Christian Studies from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Cum Laude. She also speaks to women groups regarding the redemptive power of the gospel represented through the types of brides of the church. Lee Ann resides in Boca Raton, Florida.

Absolutely love this book. Great Christian message and the illustrations are so colorful. I will be giving this book to all of my nieces and nephews.

It's graphics are very pretty. I thought they would be more biblical, but it's a nice book for kids.

This is the first book in the Adventures of the Sea Kids series that Lee Ann Mancini has created and it is a wonderful book that helps children learn more about Jesus and his teachings. Melissa the blowfish irritates her friends with her constant bragging about her amazing abilities, her special toys and the fantastic life she enjoys but she does this because she really has very little and she feels inferior to the other Sea Kids. When Corey discovers the truth, he asks Jesus to show him how to help her. He and his friends surprise her with a birthday party and a special gift. Melissa is surprised and pleased to know that her friends really do care for her. Older children will enjoy reading the story and searching for the Christian fish symbol that is scattered throughout the pages. My two year old granddaughter loves the bright and colorful illustrations and I appreciate the Christian message.

Compassion for others and learning to understand them and accept their failings is an important quality for all of us, regardless of our age. I also appreciate that the author shows both Corey and Melissa praying to Jesus. I recommend this book highly and I look forward to the others in this series. I received this book from bookfun.org in return for my honest opinion.

My little guy recently enjoyed a complimentary book we received from BookCrash. While he isn't old enough to read yet, he was very interested in the story as I read it to him several times. We all tend to brag, even the adults. Reading this book not only made an impression on my son, it convicted my heart to not be so boastful. What made the story was the inclusion of Jesus Christ and prayer within the message. Children aren't being taught these important parts of faith in most books today. Each page was packed with color and interesting sea creatures. The characters were cute enough that a series of plush toys should be made, in my opinion. Melissa was my favorite character. Do you want to know which sea creature she was? You must get a copy of the book!

In the second book in the Sea Kids Adventures, *What a Bragger!*, author Lee Ann Mancini and illustrator Dan Sharp have come together and created yet another beautiful and brightly colored book that kids will absolutely love! Filled with excellently detailed and brightly colored pictures, this story teaches children that sometimes there is more going on with a person who is being mean than what it seems on the surface. It also teaches kids to be kind no matter what. Parents and teachers will enjoy using this story to help children see and come to understand these easily relatable, real-life examples of how to treat others. This book, as well as the first book in the series, are great teaching tools to help children understand principles and do and become better people. Series: Sea Kids Adventure Books Genre: children's fiction Literary awards: Readers' Favorite Illustrator Award; Readers' Favorite Book Award Finalist Publisher: BLM Publishing Publication date: March 1, 2015 Number of pages: 32 Age: 3+ Grade level: pre-preschool+ Other books in the series: 1-Fast Freddy 3-I'm Not Afraid (coming in 2016) Content Rating: G Book Rating: 5 stars A review copy of this book was provided by Book Crash.

I previously reviewed Lee Ann Mancini's *Fast Freddy* here on Chat With Vera. Mancini deftly uses lovably cute illustrations and a sweet story to teach good behavior and good character traits. In *What A Bragger!* a blowfish is all puffed up and full of himself and thinks he is better than the best of the other sea critters. Illustrator, Dan Sharp, has again created a brilliantly colored pallet of fish and

other under-the-sea characters to tell author Lee Ann Mancini's story of being kind and not a braggart. His cute cartoonish styled creatures inhabit the pages of *What A Bragger!* ...The story gets behind the reason Melissa the Bragger boasted about things and abilities. The reveal comes when Melissa goes home to poverty and squalor. Children can learn the folly of bragging and can also learn compassion for those who have less than themselves. They can be led to conclusions that will aid them in their own real life situations. This is a cute book that is Christian orientated with praying to Jesus a vital element. A visit to <http://SeaKidsAdventures.com> is definitely in order. **DISCLOSURE:** I received a complimentary copy from BookCrash Blogger Program to facilitate this review. Opinions are my own. I was not compensated.

Earlier this year, I read Lee Ann Mancini's wonderful children's book *Fast Freddy*, so I was very excited to read another great book in the series, *What a Bragger*. Both books are illustrated by Dan Sharp. *What a Bragger* focuses on a blowfish named Melissa, who frequently brags (and lies) to the other sea creatures in her school. Her classmate Corey is upset about the bragging, but after he sees Melissa's house, he finds out that she lives in poverty, and that her home situation is nothing like what she brags about. Corey and his classmates soon find a way to show Melissa that they care about her, and Melissa not only apologizes for her bragging, but thanks God for the blessings she has in her life. *What a Bragger* is truly a spectacular story. It is very well-written, and the detailed illustrations look lovely. I just kept marveling at how vibrant and beautiful the pages were! The story is well crafted, and the plot and dialogue flow smoothly. This is one of those books that can really capture a child's attention, and the words and pictures are very engaging. I am so glad to have *What a Bragger* on my bookshelf! I received a review copy from the publisher.

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