

Monika Osberghaus, Horst Klein: Everyone's Disabled!

- A vibrant resource on the topic of inclusion
- Humorous, wild, and full of affection
- Created in collaboration with numerous special children and their parents



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Anyone who is reading this is disabled!

Yes, even you! This book brings the bloated division of “challenged” here and “normal” there to an end. This topic relates to all of us: Anna has Down’s Syndrome, Mareike is academically gifted, Julien is the the biggest brat who has ever lived, Max is spastic. And while Sofie rolls her wheelchair to the ice cream shop, Vanessa only allows herself to eat a single pickle spear because of her obsession with beauty.

This book will introduce you to 25 well-known and popular conditions, including your very own. Anyone who finds themselves frowning in the face of this book suffers from a humor disability!



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Horst Klein, born in 1965, spent his formative years in East Frisia before moving to Krefeld in 1989 to pursue his studies in visual communication. Before he could do that though, he had to look up Krefeld in an atlas. He still lives there today with his wife and two children, where he works as an illustrator and a graphic designer.

Monika Osberghaus, born in 1962, lives in Leipzig with her husband and son. She worked as a bookseller and studied children’s literature before taking charge of the children’s books section of the “Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung”. She is now the publisher of Klett Kinderbuch.

* Attention-Deficit / Hyperactivity Disorder (phew!)

** a medication that makes you sleepy

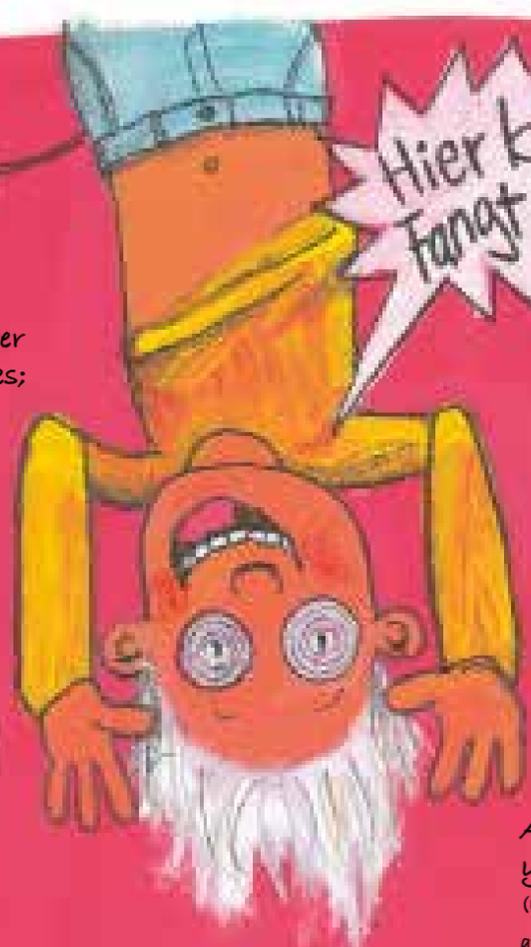


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Secret knowledge: ADHD is four times more common in boys than in girls

Here I am!
Catch me if you can!

Hier bin ich!
Fangt mich doch!



Hard to keep calm

Oskar

Ich kann Euch den Alphabet von A bis Z mitbringen!!!

I can burp the whole alphabet from A to Z for you.

A constant live wire

Enjoys

trampolins; playing computer games until the doctor arrives; jokes; milk; roughhousing; skateboarding; chewing gum; anything that's fast

Dislikes

cleaning up; noise; sitting still; crowds; tomatoes

Favorite sentences

"I'm bored."
"I can't do that."
"I want a soft drink!"

Disorder ADHD*

Nicknames or Insults

Fidget. Class clown.
Dreamer, slob, worrywart.

What causes it?

If only we knew...

How often does it occur?

More and more often

Does it go away?

No, but you can learn how to handle it.

Sometimes Ritalin** helps.

How should I approach Oskar?

Just like normal. Quietly, sincerely, welcoming. Join in the fun!

What should I avoid doing?

Making a fuss, being demanding, saying things like "Will you finally listen to me?" or "Stop fidgeting so much!" or "Will you sit still?"

What can I play with him?

Anything with cars. Anything that you would play with someone else. (It's just that Oskar might quickly lose interest and want to play something else.)

What's the dumbest thing about this condition?

You feel so jittery and freak out so easily. You mess things up without even meaning to.

Advantages

You are the creative type. Tons of ideas! ADHD is a good excuse whenever you "forget" your homework.

Xenia

Enjoys

dancing, laughing, music, chocolate pudding

Dislikes

Large crowds; not getting enough sleep; stress; noise; arguments; flashing lights; Brussel sprouts

Favorite sentences

"It happened again?"

Disorder

Epilepsy*

Nicknames or Insults

Gravel groveller, Spaz, Ms. Drops-A-Lot



Something's brewing in there and then lightning strikes



A helmet can help prevent injuries during seizures



In that case, I don't mind at all!

Alles kommt wieder!

How should I approach Xenia?

Happily, kindly, normally

What should I avoid doing?

Don't force her to go on a rollercoaster.

What can I play with her?

Almost anything (except things like climbing trees).

What causes it?

The brain sends the wrong messages to the muscles.



Mam sieht ihr gar nichts an...

She doesn't look any different...

What's the dumbest thing about this condition?

"I can't ever be a vet."
You have to wear a life jacket even if you can swim. The medicine tastes gross.

How often does it occur?

Fairly often

Does it go away?

It sometimes does in adolescence. Medicine can make it better.

Advantages

You can pretend to have a seizure and get out of a day of school.

* children sometimes have seizures that might cause them to fall down, tense up, and thrash around. After this happens, they often don't recall what occurred and are very tired.

Secret knowledge: If you see a seizure take place don't panic or hold onto the child! Just make sure that Xenia can't hurt herself. Talk quietly to her - she can sometimes hear you.

Secret knowledge:



Level

