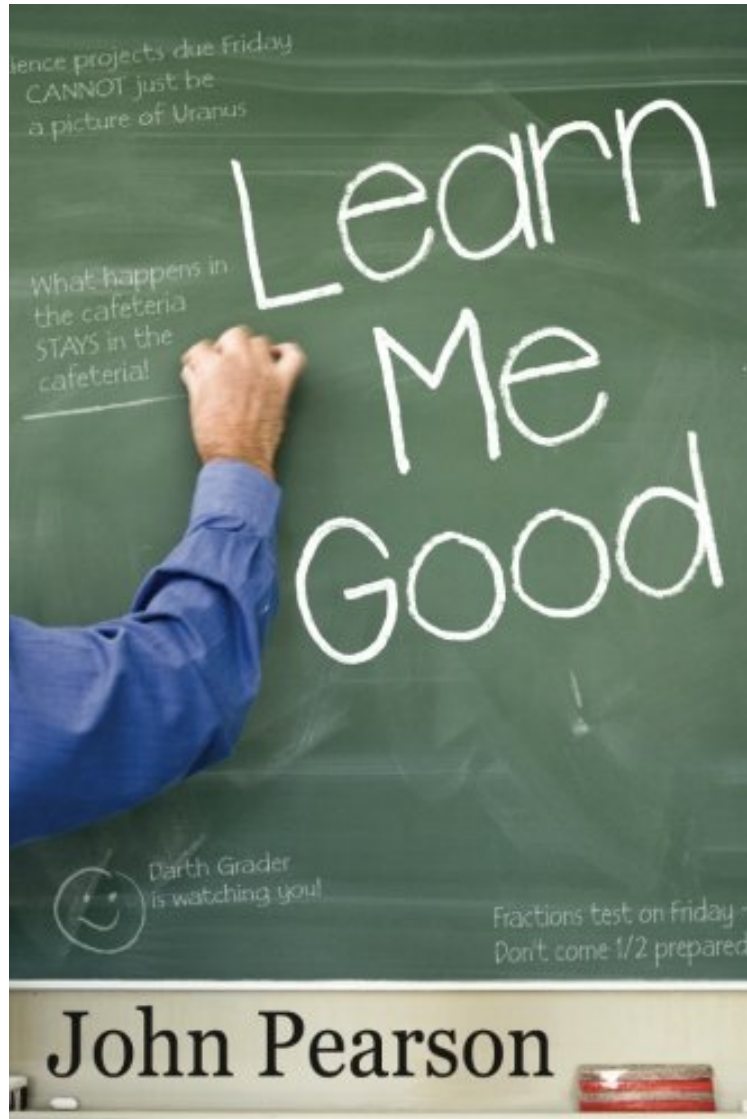


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engineers as being very structured, and you may be right. However, this engineer became an excellent teacher and used his creative talents to figure out how best to teach his students, some of whom were rather difficult to reach. I never thought I would give a book 5 stars if it contained the F-bomb, but this one did have a variation (F. Bomm), and that was okay with me. The book is made up of e-mails the author sent to a previous co-worker, and each e-mail was signed with an alias that often made me laugh out loud. I thought of trying to figure out what alias the author was going to use for each e-mail, but I enjoyed the content of the e-mails too much to stop and think about the upcoming signature. Laughter is so important for a happy life, and I think the author's students were fortunate to have this man for their teacher. It was obvious that he enjoyed working with his math classes. Furthermore, he brought a little humor into the lives of his third grade students, his former co-workers, and now his readers. - Lily Pewshun0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. puns and allusions, but didn't hit home. It was okay. I didn't really connect with any of the characters. Not the students, not the author in his narrating role, not the email recipient. Maybe I didn't try hard enough, who knows. Telling stories to a book audience by telling those stories to an email buddy from a previous job? That's maybe a clever idea. Certainly the author makes good punny use of the subject lines and the sign-offs. But seeing only one side of an email conversation is awkward, and reading reactions to events at the prior job... just slid right past me. I also believe that I am not the intended audience for this book. First of all, I'm too young. I did get many of the humorous references/comparisons that were made, but most of them just didn't hit home-- either because I didn't know them or because they just didn't resonate as well with me. Secondly, I'm an educator, albeit at the college level. I thought I might find humor in stories of the antics of 3rd grade kids, and sometimes I did... But much of the book felt like a "yup, kids say the darndest things". Not that there's anything wrong with that, it just didn't really work for me. If you read it, I hope you are entertained more than I was. 26 of 26 people found the following review helpful. Pleasant. By Matthew Erwin. John Pearson's "Learn Me Good" is an enjoyable little book that you can get for the Kindle fairly cheaply. As many others have explained, the book is a semi-autobiographical account of Pearson's first year of teaching as told by a series of emails to a former coworker at "Heat Pumps R' Us." There are several laugh out loud funny moments in the book, usually describing kids being innocently silly or budding psychopaths. It is a pleasant and humorous read and for the most part is a G-rated read that most anyone could enjoy. The few PG-13 jokes (among the funniest) would probably go right over kids heads anyhow. A few things keep the book from earning a few more stars. One ongoing joke about a kid incorrectly spelling a famed four letter word is met at one point by a reference to "Turret's Syndrome." Admittedly this is unintentionally hilarious, but goes to the greater point of the book needing a bit of editing. Also, at times I found Pearson tried a bit too hard to slam jokes and pop culture references into every sentence instead of letting it flow more naturally. All in all, they are mostly minor complaints and Learn Me Good will give you some excellent laughs. For the price, it is hard to resist.

I teach, therefore I am... poor. Learn Me Good is the hilarious first person account of a year-in-the-life of a brand new teacher. Inspired by real-life experiences of rambunctious and precocious children, lesson plans gone awry, and incredibly outrageous quotes, this laugh a minute page turner will give you a new appreciation for educators. Jack Woodson was a thermal design engineer for four years until he was laid off from his job. Now, as a teacher, he faces new challenges. Conference calls have been replaced with parent conferences. Product testing has given way to standardized testing. Instead of business cards, Jack now passes out report cards. The only thing that hasn't changed noticeably is the maturity level of the people surrounding him all day. Learn Me Good is Jack's retelling of his sensational rookie year, written as a series of emails to Fred Bommerson, his engineering buddy. He holds a March Mathness tournament, he faces a child's urgent declaration of "My bowels be runnin'!", and he mistakenly asks one girl's mother if she is her brother. With subject lines such as "Irritable Vowel Syndrome," "In math class, no one can hear you scream," and "I love the smell of Lysol in the morning," Jack fills each email with sarcastic observations, insightful comments, and plenty of irreverent wit. If you've ever taught, you will undoubtedly recognize aspects of your own students in Jack's classroom. If you've never set foot in a classroom, you will still appreciate the funny quirks, behaviors, and quotes from the kids and adults alike.

About the Author John Pearson was born just outside of Washington, DC, but moved to Texas as quickly as he could. Growing up with a passion for science, math, and calculator watches, he obtained engineering degrees and basketball (watching) accolades from Duke University and Texas AM. His first job out of college was designing small solid-state heat pumps, where his cubicle simply was not big enough to contain him. When the engineering market went sour, he decided to try his hand as a teacher, and he has been a math teacher ever since. When he's not teaching, he's reading, blogging, or making YouTube videos like "Darth Vader Explains the Pythagorean Theorem." You may have seen (and hopefully rooted for) him on the Jeopardy Teachers Tournament in 2013 and the Tournament of Champions in 2014. His first book, Learn Me Good, was born of the baptism-by-fire nature of Pearson's first year as a teacher. His second, Learn Me Gooder (a sequel, can you tell?) practically wrote itself after 7 years of teaching third grade. His latest is a foray into the world of Fantasy Football. I Coulda Caught That Pass! (a true story about fake football) details one season in the National Football Liquors, his fantasy football league. His son Drew was born in May

of 2012, so books about fatherhood and cluelessness may very well be on the way soon!