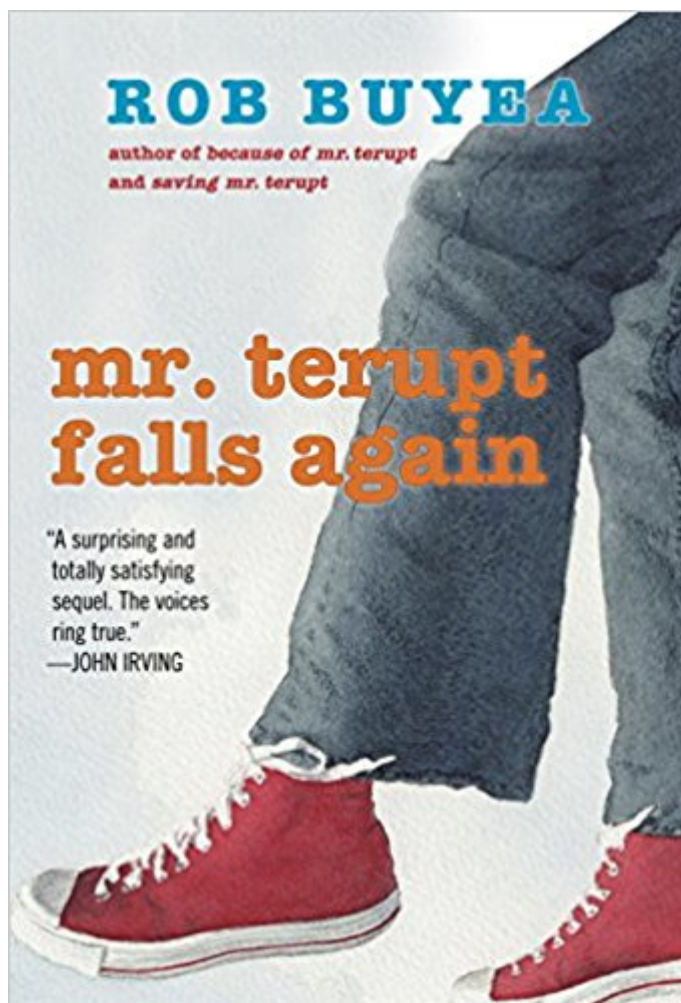




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Mr. Terupt Falls Again



Synopsis

The kids and teacher of *Because of Mr. Terupt* are back in this warm-hearted sequel. Fifth-grade was full of unforgettable events for Mr. Terupt and his class at Snow Hill School. Seven students were particularly affected by Mr. Terupt. Now those seven students are back, and they've been granted the rare opportunity to spend one more year with their beloved teacher before they graduate from elementary school. Peter's parents expect him to attend private school after sixth-grade, but Peter has plans to stay right where he is. Eager to grow up, Alexia gets in over her head with some older kids. Danielle suspects that her family is keeping a secret from her, and she's determined to find out what it is. Jeffrey makes a life-changing discovery. Curious about her teacher's past, Jessica uncovers startling details about Mr. Terupt. Anna finally decides she's ready for the truth about her absent dad. And Luke's keen observations lead to questions with unexpected answers. It's a roller coaster of a year as Mr. Terupt helps his students be the best they can be and enlists their help to pull off an extra-special project. But will there be a happy ending for all? "This sequel can be read on its own. Moving and real."--Kirkus Reviews "A skillful meshing of characters and story lines makes for another great read."--School Library Journal From the Hardcover edition.

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Customer Reviews

Following *Because of Mr. Terupt* (2010), Mr. Terupt's class is reunited and, having bonded over their experience of nearly losing their incredible teacher, closer than ever. This year, the fall he undergoes is a happy one: he falls in love! The kids are tasked with planning the wedding, amid being introduced to new books and navigating their own personal issues. As before, each shares the narration, with his or her own chapters told with distinctive voice and style. This sensitive progression of the story introduces more mature concepts like smoking, menstruation, and first love, but does so quite gently. Grades 4-7. --Heather Booth --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

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I teach 5th grade, my students fell in love with the first Mr. Terupt book, so I bought the 2nd one thinking they could pass it around and read it as well. Not happening! I read this one and loved it but it is not appropriate for my students. Reasons why: -Hiding in abandoned houses drinking vodka (guy mentions putting it in water bottles to drink at school) -smoking (tobacco and pot) Some things I think my girls would have been fine with but would be strange for 5th grade boys -first period -stuffing a bra to attract a boy's attention As a teacher, I would be careful who I would let read it, or even request parent permission. I do have a student reading it after a long discussion with her mom and her maturity level. Hope this is helpful to a parent or teachers. I love the book but was frustrated by how quickly the author has these kids grow up.

I am a fifth-grade teacher and my students and I have been waiting for this book for several weeks. We finished *Because of Mr. Terupt* recently and have had many great discussions about it. Rob Buyea will be coming to our school in the spring and we cannot wait to meet him in person! Now, for my review of *Mr. Terupt Falls Again*...I read it in two nights after getting it electronically Tuesday. I thought Mr. Buyea did a fantastic job of maturing his students just enough to be plausible as sixth graders. The issues that Jessica, Jeffrey, Lexie, Anna, Danielle, Peter and Luke faced are those that many children their age do. They are very relatable characters! However, I must warn you that some of these issues (female development, in particular) may be a dicey subject to take on during a read aloud to fifth graders so I have to make some careful decisions. I do think many of the same themes appear again in this book, like the importance of sticking together. There are some twists and turns, but I don't want to give anything away. I will say that Mr. Terupt is the kind of teacher that

these students will never forget on so many levels. He is the kind of teacher we all wish we could have had. He is the kind of teacher I strive to be!

A good sequel. There did seem to be a lot going on in one book - but, that is, no doubt, typical for any sixth grade class. The author brought enough challenges to each character to keep the plot moving, as well as keep the reader's interest. It was enjoyable to read about the way each student applied some lessons learned from their year with Mr. Terupt in fifth grade to their experiences in the sixth. I thought each issue was handled very realistically, yet gave readers a sense of their own choices. It's a hard balance to strike. Many books written for this age group either overlook adults totally, and lean too heavily on the under-aged protagonist making decisions/finding solutions inappropriate to real life. Or, the parents/teachers/adults in the story fix everything unpleasant and save the day. Much like real life! Some reviewers didn't appreciate the true life situations this book includes - but, I think it was all communicated with honesty - and a little humor. These are the issues kids are facing, and being forthright is better than pretending it doesn't exist. I think this book was entertaining and yet modeled good choices (eventually!) by the characters. Another great book by a great author. It would be fun to continue with these same students, and see how they manage the junior high school years!

I am a sixth grade teacher, and I read aloud the book *Because of Mr. Terupt* at the beginning of the school year. It is truly amazing. I love how it depicts many different types of students, and is told from differing points of view. All kids can relate to one or more of the characters and their families. Many wanted to read this sequel, so I bought a few copies. They were passed around from student to student the rest of the school year. It is great to see how the Mr. Terupt's students continue to grow and change as they go through 6th grade. It is a bit edgier than the first book. Topics such as boys, alcohol, periods, and cigarettes come up, but these are topics many middle schoolers face! The messages are clear - Take care of each other! Everyone can make positive changes! Believe in yourself!

I read many of the reviews on this story, and I guess my feelings about the book differ slightly. If you are looking for a solid sequel to Rob Buyea's first novel...then read this book. Keep in mind that the students are now a year older, so the problems in the story deal with issues they face as young adolescents. Some of the details concerning the physical changes occurring with the young ladies did not need to be so blatant. Nonetheless, these very changes are relevant for girls in fifth or sixth

grade, so I understand their inclusion...yet I would have toned them down considerably. No, I would not use this as a read aloud as a teacher, and I would only encourage more mature tweens to read this book. The reason I gave the book four stars has to do with how Jessica's "parts" were written. I loathed that her sections were written as a script for a movie. I found this to be terribly annoying. If you are looking for ways to discuss what is happening in the world of a tween you know and love, this book would be an excellent avenue for open, honest discussions.

Mr. Terupt Falls Again is a great story follow up to Because of Mr. Terupt. Many people think the content is not appropriate for kids, but I disagree. It teaches us what to expect in life and who are truly your friends. If you are sensitive about topics such as drugs and alcohol, I probably wouldn't expect you to read this book. The first book is more for younger kids, and this one is a bit mature. I really enjoyed this book and it was amazing.-A review from a girl in 4th grade

The Mr. Terupt series was one of my 5th grade class' books for me to read to them. They were completely caught up by the real life description of each character. It's a good book to help teach life lessons to children as well.

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