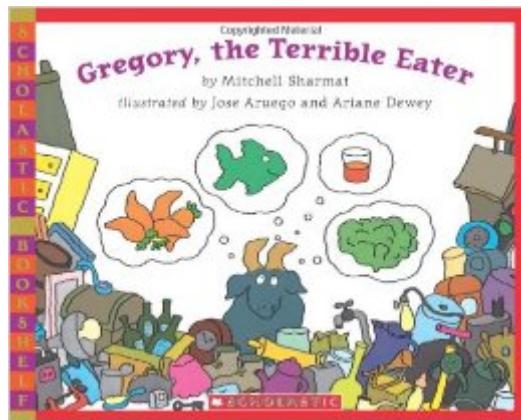


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# Gregory, The Terrible Eater



## **Synopsis**

This classic picture book is now available for a whole new audience in this Scholastic Bookshelf paperback edition! Gregory isn't like most goats. Instead of indulging in delicacies like old shoes, boxes, and bottle caps, he prefers to eat fruits, vegetables, eggs, and fish. Mother Goat and Father Goat are disgusted, and after several attempts to get Gregory to eat like a proper goat, they finally take him to see Dr. Ram. But when Gregory finally develops a taste for flat tires and broken violins, he's not just eating like a goat---he's eating like a pig! Will Gregory be able to find a healthy balance before he eats everything in the house?

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

ISBN 0590075861 - Gregory, a young goat, likes junk food - all the stuff his parents don't want him to eat. They try everything, taking him to the doctor and even letting him stuff himself with junk food and getting a belly-ache from it. How can they get Gregory to stop eating carrots and eggs and salad and start eating proper, healthy food - like shirts and shoes and tires??Kids will laugh at the backwards problem in the book and the illustrations, while not superb, ARE very funny. Added bonus, of course, is the message about eating balanced meals, always a hard sell to french fry fans.- AnnaLovesBooks

If this book were reviewed only by kids, it would always receive 5 stars. As a kid, I adored this book. Kids are amazed by the backwards aspect of this book. The main character is a goat that, to its parents' dismay, eats human foods instead of the usual garbage that goats eat. The fact that the goat's parents push him to eat garbage--exactly what we try to get our human children NOT to eat--seems to make kids laugh hysterically. Kids are very amused by how different what's normal for a goat is from what's normal for a human. Some parents erroneously think this book's purpose is just about teaching kids to eat healthy foods. It is so much more than that. It is about exploring different perspectives.

My daughter who is now 35 remembered having this book when she was growing-up, and figures that it actually helped her become a better eater, and a healthier person for the rest of her life. Eating disorders do begin early-on in life. So, we ordered a copy of it as a gift for her two nieces. And we ordered the hardback version, because we wanted the next generation to still have a copy around for their children

Gregory likes normal food; eggs, vegetables, fruit, and fish. Normal food, for a normal kid, right? Wrong! You see Gregory isn't exactly normal well not in his family's eyes. To them, normal food is tin cans, boxes, tires, and mostly garbage. Well that is normal food...for a goat. You see, Gregory is a goat and since he likes eggs, vegetables, and fruits his parents think he is sick. But Gregory just wants to eat what he likes. So since Gregory and his parents haven't had dinner together in a while (and mothers like to have dinner with they're kids) they decide to take him to Doctor Ram. Doctor Ram has treated picky eaters before but not like Gregory. Yet, he comes up with a solution. That is to feed Gregory what he wants but to sneak in a little bit of garbage every meal... It is a good moral to the story I think it might teach kids to try stuff before they decide whether or not they like it!

This is a very cute children's book about picky eaters! Our son is a rather picky eater and he sometimes eats too much and gets a belly ache, just like Gregory in the book but our son is developmentally delayed so he has a hard time understanding abstract concepts. With this book we are able to teach him about food choices, overeating and eating too much junk food in a way he can easily understand. I didn't know what to expect when I ordered the book, since it was on our son's reading list I was looking to fill that requirement more than anything, but it is a really great story!

I enjoyed this book as a child and wanted it for my own "picky eaters". Since there isn't a Kindle

edition I opted for a hard copy. I'm glad I did because my kids love this book. It is about a goat that is a picky eater and the smooth way his parents "trick him" into eating. My son was tickled by "shoe strings and spaghetti" and yours will be too!

I think this is a great book, I loved it as a child and now my children love it too! Gregory is a goat who doesn't want to eat garbage like the other goats he wants to eat healthy human food! His parents talk him into trying "something new" and he discovers he DOES like it (the garbage)! It's good in explaining to kids to try something new and not dislike something just because of how it looks or sounds.

This is the perfect book for a picky eater. It worked for my now 20 something son and I hope it will for my 5 yo nephew. Gregory won't eat "goat" food. He wants eggs, bacon, toast and OJ. Gregory's mom consults a doctor who tells her to let him eat what he wants, but to also introduce one new food each day. Pretty soon, Gregory is eating everything in sight, including the kitchen sink. Best line in the book, "Gregory, it's alright to eat like a goat, but don't eat like a pig!"

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