

*The Adventures of Ali Baba Bernstein* was funny from the beginning to the end. I found myself smiling the whole time I was reading it. In my opinion, this book should be given a 5-star rating. It was the best! First of all, Ali Baba was a smart, little boy with an overactive imagination. He cooked up some of the silliest, unrealistic situations I've ever seen. One time when he was having a playdate with his friend, Roger, he thought a kidnapper had taken Sugar, Roger's little sister. How could a kidnapper actually sneak into a locked apartment when the boys were right there playing on the computer, and Roger's mom had locked the door? Another reason I really liked this book was because of the way the author sequenced the book. Johanna Hurwitz, the author, cleverly used Ali Baba's age to move from one chapter to the next chapter showing how time past throughout the story. In the first chapter Ali Baba was eight years, five months and seventeen days old. By the end and last chapter, Ali Baba was nine years and three hours old. I recommend this book to my little sister, Emily. She would really like how Ali Baba created some unrealistic situations when his imagination ran wild. My little sister likes to play "pretend," and acts like there are bad guys trying to capture us. She always saves the day because she pretends she is a superhero. Emily would really like The Adventures of Ali Baba Bernstein.