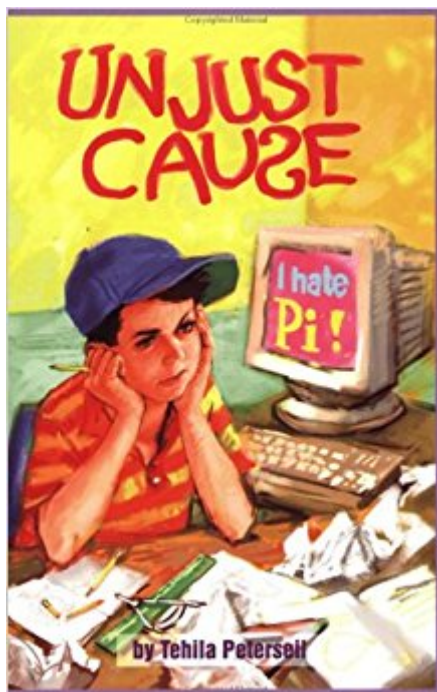


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# Unjust Cause



## Synopsis

David's family cannot come to terms with his learning disability. Like thousands of other children with learning problems, David is made to feel foolish and inadequate. Then he enrolls in a Jewish Day School and his life is changed.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 5-8-Davey Fischer, a fifth grader at a Jewish day school, is struggling to please a demanding father and teachers who don't understand him. Nothing he does is right; he can't spell or do long division, he can't shoot baskets, he can't even choose an ice-cream flavor without feeling inadequate. Davey's father refuses to admit that there could be anything wrong with his son, while his mother knows that he needs help. She finally persuades her husband to allow Davey to attend P'tach, a special education program where he can learn the skills he needs to cope with his learning differences. Davey's father is a dark, complex character riddled with guilt over his brother's death in Vietnam. While the narrator delves deeply into the thoughts and motivations of the boy and his father, and the book gives readers substantial information and insight about children with dysgraphia, the end result reads more like a psychological study than a novel. Books such as Jeanne Betancourt's *My Name Is Brain Brian* (Scholastic, 1993) or Joyce Hansen's *Yellow Bird and Me* (Clarion, 1991) offer children an understanding of learning differences while also providing appealing plot and characters. Parents, teachers, and therapists are more likely to appreciate Peterseil's efforts. In addition, the frequent references to Jewish education and prayer may further

limit the audience to libraries serving a Jewish population; the book might find a readership among Orthodox young adults whose reading is often restricted to "clean" or "safe" books. Barbara Auerbach, Brooklyn Public Library, NYC Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Wow. This book is heavy. Really, really heavy. And that description is coming from someone who loves reading horror stories, true crime, etc. The descriptions of the emotionally abusive father are just disturbing. There is no comic relief or other strategies to lighten the mood. No scenes that are neutral in content. It's just scene after scene of the dad berating the son and the son being horribly depressed. The ending offers no resolution about the relationship. The book depicts adults arguing about the child's SPED services. Kids with LD have enough to worry about; why should they learn about school politics??? The book has references to Judaism which may confuse the reader. The book ends with the kid writing an essay that earned an A+ but there is no mention of strategies he or his teachers used to address his LD. Again. heavy. Just disturbing. I have no idea how this book would be helpful to any reader. Here are some superb books for children and teens with learning difficulties and disabilities: Grades 1-3 *It's Not a Big Deal* by Jennifer Mallinos, *1-5 Knees: The Mixed Up World of a Kid with Dyslexia*, Vanita Oelschlager, *2-5 The Alphabet War: A Story About Dyslexia*, Diane Robb, *Hank Zipzer* series (protagonist has dyslexia), Henry Winkler, *3-4 Susan Shreve- The Flunking of Joshua T. Bates*, *Joshua Bates Takes Charge*, Joshua T. Bates, *3-8 Many Ways to Learn: A Kid's Guide to LD* (2011 edition), Judith Stern, *4-8 Eli, The Boy Who Hated to Write* (2nd edition), Regina and Eli Richards, *My Name Is Brain Brian*, Jeanne Betancourt, *Sixth Grade Can Really Kill You*, Barthe DeClements, *3-12 Succeeding with LD* (2nd edition), Jill Lauren, *9-12 Learning Disabilities and Life Stories*, Pano Rodis, *Learning Outside the Lines*, Jonathan Mooney and David Cole, *Brilliant Idiot: An Autobiography of a Dyslexic*, Dr. Abraham Schmitt, *Reversals*, Eileen Simpson, *The Human Side of Dyslexia*, Shirley Kurnoff, *Books About Learning Difficulties*, *KLeo the Late Bloomer*, Robert Kraus, *K-2 The Pout-Pout Fish Goes to School*, Deborah Diesen, *K-3 Katie's Rose: A Tale of Two Late Bloomers*, Karen Burnett, *Jasmine Can* (difficulty reading), Bena Hartman, *1-3 Annie's Plan: Taking Charge of Schoolwork and Homework* (attention, time management, organization), Jeanne Kraus, *2-5 Thank You, Mr. Falker* (difficulty reading), Patricia Polacco, *3-5 Gifted Hands: The [Dr.] Ben Carson Story*, Gregg and Deborah Lewis

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