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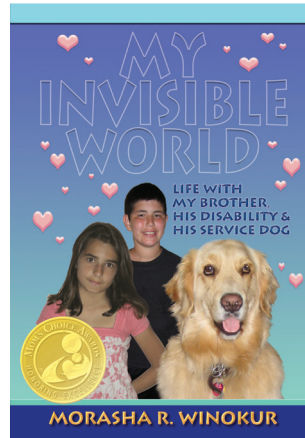
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Book Reviews

My Invisible World

Life with my brother, his disability and his dog



by Morasha Winokur

"Eleven-year-old Morasha Winokur makes two invisible worlds—the life of a child with special needs and the life of his sibling—come alive. Although specifically written regarding fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD), her well-communicated observations are applicable to other diagnoses. As a result, "My Invisible World" should be recommended reading for all school personnel, pediatric healthcare providers, and health policymakers. Bless Morasha for her quietly emotional, loudly effective improvement of my own vision."

Yvonne W. Fry-Johnson, MD, MSCR

"Morasha, you really nailed it. I bet there are a lot of other kids with brothers or sisters they love who are also challenging. I'm so glad I got to know you, Chancer and your whole family and that we got to work together on this book. I love Iyal, he is a great kid with a huge heart. I hope because of your writing, it will make a difference in the lives of many kids. You are a strong young woman and congratulations on taking the risk to tell your story. Much love."

Jodee Kulp, award winning author, The Whitest Wall

"OMG I love it!!! Morasha's words are really powerful and you can feel how she feels!"

Maddie –11 year old reader

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Book Reviews - My Invisible World (continued)

MIDWEST BOOK REVIEWS

Author, Morasha Winokur, gives readers a fresh and new perspective on what it's like to live with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASDs) in her new book *My Invisible World, Life With My Brother, His Disability and His Service Dog*. Eleven year old Morasha shares her in-depth and personal life story of what it feels like to be the sister of a sibling that struggles with FASDs. Her openness, honest views and private thoughts lift audiences of all ages to a new place of understanding, compassion and awareness of what Fetal Alcohol Syndrome is.

My Invisible World is an incredible inside account of the daily issues that arise for a child that deals with an invisible brain injury. Fetal Alcohol Syndrome leaves life-long birth defects on individuals that include cognitive, physical, neurological and behavioral impairments. FASDs are also the most undiagnosed / misdiagnosed developmental disability of our time. Author, Morasha Winokur, describes her brother's disability in tween-humor and addresses her own struggles in knowing she is mentally and physically healthy while her brother has special needs beyond her ability to fix. Morasha and her brother Iyal are non-biological siblings who were adopted by a loving couple and traveled from Russia to their new family's home in Georgia. Young Morasha shows her commitment to her brother's disability by sharing her inner-most thoughts in an effort to raise awareness in her peers so they too can understand the importance of not drinking while pregnant.

My Invisible World dives in-depth into the important role service dogs play when her brother Iyal is given Chancer, a loving Golden Retriever. Chancer, trained by 4 Paws for Ability, is a kind companion for Iyal and specifically taught how to live with a child who has FASDs. Chancer offers emotional support with soothing and calming effects for Iyal and his family. Morasha explains that Chancer also gives her family a "second chance" at calming peace for her brother and her family that allows them to function together as a cohesive unit.

As readers learn about Morasha's life, her brother's special needs and her family, they can look forward to a better understanding of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder and its effects on individuals and their families. Author, Morasha Winokur, includes a personal scrapbook with family photos that welcomes readers to her world. She includes a glossary of terms, a spot quiz and additional supportive websites for further learning about the effects and prevention of FASDs.

Author, Morasha Winokur, is a supportive sister and sensitive young adult who is an effective communicator on the importance of not drinking while pregnant and the hardship it causes. Powerful and enlightening, *My Invisible World* is highly recommended for adoptive families, social service workers, educators, healthcare personnel and pediatric health providers. This book makes a wonderful gift, classroom guide and an excellent library reference that will help others learn about FASDs and how to prevent this invisible disability.

Sara Hassler, Reviewer

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