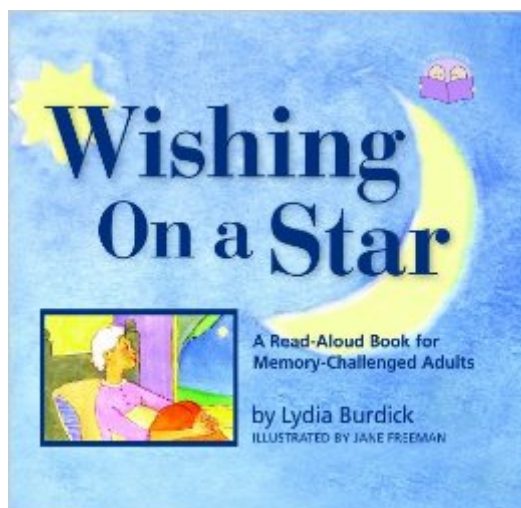


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Wishing On A Star (Two-Lap Books)



Synopsis

You won't find a simpler way to interact meaningfully and enjoyably with someone with memory impairment! Just sit down together, open this colorful and engaging book across both laps, and begin reading, reminiscing, and communing. The colorful illustrations and short, easy-to-read text in *Wishing on a Star!* describe favorite activities and events that fill each person's day. Individuals with memory impairment and their caregivers will enjoy the familiar and friendly images: waking up to the sound of birds singing, playing with pets, cheering for a favorite team. The pictures and text in this third book in the Two-Lap Book® series will spark boundless opportunities to discuss and remember happy times and comforting experiences. Styled with the appeal and simplicity of a children's book but created for adult audiences, this Two-Lap Book can serve multiple purposes:

- *Stimulate conversation and reminiscence,
- *Encourage physical closeness and interaction,
- *Provide a calming diversion from an upsetting episode,
- *Inspire intergenerational exchanges with children,
- *Increase social interaction between staff and residents,
- *Promote reading skills in residents who retain their literacy.

Reading *Wishing on a Star!* is an instant activity no planning or preparation required. Open it to a favorite illustration ... read it from start to finish ... or select just a page or two to spark an exchange. Plus, tips on how to promote engagement with the book are provided. Here is a natural and unlimited opportunity to rebuild connections for the person with dementia, stroke, multiple sclerosis, and related disorders.

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Customer Reviews

My late mother adored this and Lydia Burdick's other books for memory-challenged adults. She read through them frequently with me and with other caregivers and was always delighted; they gently stimulated her conversational and observational skills. I have recommended them to many other caregivers. I wish there were more of them! My only complaint is that the words "for memory-challenged adults" should not appear on the book--or should be on a removable sticker. My mother often read those words and asked about them, and knowing that she was memory challenged was not helpful to her. Tinky Weisblat, author of *Â Pulling Taffy: A Year with Dementia and Other Adventures*

I used to read these to my mother. She suffered from Dementia. She loved to read though despite it all!! So please read to your loved one!! It is wonderful to hear their voice as they read, if you have someone who does not talk as much as they used to because of the condition. This really helped us connect many days.....fond memories. At first I thought it seemed too childlike, but my mother really connected. I highly recommend this book.

When my mother first showed signs of dementia, one of the first casualties of the disease was her inability to read the books she loved so much. Later, many times she and I sat side-by-side on the sofa and looked through magazines such as *Ideal* looking at the beautiful color pictures as I read aloud to her. *Wishing on a Star* is the perfect size lap book to share with our memory-challenged loved one. The words, the brilliant colors and artwork, and the storyline are woven together to form a wonderful tool to help our loved one by stimulating their memory, and softly challenging their creative mind. The book is an active story of family and friends, pets and games, ice cream cones and marshmallow roasts. It is a happy book that carries one along with a desire to join the fun. It is a book I am sure my mother would have loved to read. I highly recommended this book if your loved one is struggling with Alzheimer's or any other form of dementia. Go through the book together and create an experience you will long remember after your loved one is gone. *Wishing on a Star: A Read-Aloud Book for Memory-Challenged Adults (Two-Lap Book)*

I am so grateful for books with large pretty pictures and large simple words for adults with memory problems. My Mom is 95 and has dementia and diabetes. She can read these and also likes to be read to because it is comforting and has pictures of elderly adults.

My grandfather was in the late stages of Alzheimer, so he wasn't able to do much of anything. Found this book and thought I'd give it a try. What a perfect book! He seemed to enjoy it, having it read to him and pointing at pictures that peeked his interest.

This is perfect for my mother and for others in the memory care facility where she is residing now. I was so pleased to donate this book and the other two by Lydia Burdick written specifically for memory-challenged adults. The illustrations are beautiful. When I read one to my mother and showed her and another lady the illustrations their faces lit up! Thank you for making these available!!

Even though my husband can no longer focus due to his visual challenges, these books provide loads of conversation opportunities and he continues to enjoy hearing someone read to him. I'm finding them surprisingly enjoyable!

I am a hospice volunteer coordinator and am always looking at ways volunteers can connect with their patients. I have had a couple volunteers use this book with their patients now and they were able to connect a little better. Thank you.

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