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## **Asperger Syndrome - A Love Story**

Temple Grandin may be the most famous person with autism, a condition that affects 1 in 88 children. Since her birth in 1947, our understanding of it has undergone a great transformation, leading to more hope than ever before that we may finally learn the causes of and treatments for autism. Weaving her own experience with remarkable new discoveries, Grandin introduces the advances in neuroimaging and genetic research that link brain science to behavior, even sharing her own brain scan to show which anomalies might explain common symptoms. Most excitingly, she argues that raising and educating kids on the autism spectrum must focus on their long-overlooked strengths to foster their unique contributions. The Autistic Brain brings Grandin's singular perspective into the heart of the autism revolution.

## **The Unveiled Wife**

Happily married to her husband with Asperger Syndrome for 25 years, Ashley Stanford is an expert on how Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) can affect a relationship and her bestselling book has helped thousands of couples. Brought fully up to date, this second edition clarifies the new DSM-5 diagnostic criteria and explains how, without a solid awareness of the condition, ASD behaviors can easily be misinterpreted. Stanford's book provides a wealth of strategies for living with

the more uncompromising aspects of ASD, pointing out that ASD also brings enormous strengths to a relationship. It shows how understanding the intentions, motivations and reasoning behind ASD behaviors can lead to better communication, relief of tension, and ultimately to a happier, more mutually fulfilling relationship.

## **Life with a Partner Or Spouse with Asperger Syndrome**

Do you have Asperger's Syndrome or know someone who does? Are you looking for a reference guide about Asperger's in adults? Do you have questions you'd like to ask an expert in adult Asperger's? If your answer is Yes to any of these questions, this book is for you. Clinical psychologist and Asperger's authority, Dr. Kenneth Roberson, examines the often neglected area of Asperger's in adults, covering topics such as: What causes Asperger's Syndrome? Is it different in adults than it is in children? How can you find out if you have Asperger's? What are the advantages and disadvantages of a diagnosis? What therapy is best for adults who have Asperger's? Can adults with Asperger's change? Are there benefits to having Asperger's? Can adults with Asperger's have intimate relationships? Can they be successful parents? These and many other questions are covered in this important addition to the field of Asperger's as it occurs in adults. Resources and reference material about adult Asperger's are included, along with a feature allowing readers to ask questions of Dr. Roberson.

## **The 5 Love Languages**

Adults with Asperger Syndrome (AS) often have difficulties acquiring relationship skills due to the defining characteristics of the syndrome, experiences with peers during childhood and adolescence, and the expectations of their partners. However, an increasing number do go on to achieve happy and successful long-term relationships with non-spectrum (NS) partners. This supportive book will give NS partners a better understanding of NS/AS relationships, and of what other NS partners have found to be helpful in terms of better understanding themselves and their partners, and enriching their relationships. Drawing on interviews with over 100 people in NS/AS relationships, as well as on their own experiences of having family members on the autism spectrum, the authors explore the key differences which may impact upon AS/NS relationships, such as communication, social skills, and sensory issues, and offer tried-and-tested advice on how to surmount difficulties and make things work. The book includes chapters on coping with stress and meltdowns, parenting, positive AS qualities and how to use them to their full advantage in a relationship, as well as advice on how the NS partner can ensure that their own needs are met. This book will provide support and encouragement to those in a relationship with someone who has been diagnosed with AS, or who is suspected of having AS, and will also be a useful resource for counsellors and other professionals who wish to deepen their understanding of AS/NS relationships.

## **The Journal of Best Practices**

Unnervingly clever, obsessively logical and infuriating to live with, but also disarmingly childlike and able to make you laugh - sound familiar? Asperger's

syndrome (AS) is the high-functioning end of the autistic spectrum that affects as many as one in ten people. With humour, optimism and compelling honesty throughout, this is an insightful handbook that provides invaluable practical advice, including: bull; bull;AS facts and figures bull;Aspergers questionnaires bull;Advice and guidelines on diagnosis bull;Aspergers and employment bull;How to handle the difficult time bull;Personal accounts from sufferers and their partnersBy researching expert opinion and telling her own compelling human story, Barbara Jacobs reveals the truth about Aspergers and those who love them.

## **Voices from the Spectrum**

From the critically acclaimed author of *The Kiss Quotient* comes a romantic novel about love that crosses international borders and all boundaries of the heart Khai Diep has no feelings. Well, he feels irritation when people move his things or contentment when ledgers balance down to the penny, but not big, important emotions—like grief. And love. He thinks he's defective. His family knows better—that his autism means he just processes emotions differently. When he steadfastly avoids relationships, his mother takes matters into her own hands and returns to Vietnam to find him the perfect bride. As a mixed-race girl living in the slums of Ho Chi Minh City, Esme Tran has always felt out of place. When the opportunity arises to come to America and meet a potential husband, she can't turn it down, thinking this could be the break her family needs. Seducing Khai, however, doesn't go as planned. Esme's lessons in love seem to be working but only on herself. She's hopelessly smitten with a man who's convinced he can never return her affection. With Esme's time in the United States dwindling, Khai is forced to understand he's been wrong all along. And there's more than one way to love.

## **Broken**

This compelling collection of personal accounts, from people on the autism spectrum and those who care for them, presents insights into autism from many different perspectives. The contributors describe their experiences, including reactions to diagnosis and childhood memories.

## **An Asperger Marriage**

Thousands of people live in Asperger marriages without recognizing the signs that their spouse has AS. When Swiss-born Katrin met Gavin while backpacking in Australia, she fell in love with a man that was kind, good looking and different. He followed her to Switzerland where they married eight months later. At first everything seemed fine, but once back in Australia things changed very drastically. *Alone Together* shares the struggle of one couple to rescue their marriage. It explains the clues that suggest a person might have AS and explores the effect of diagnosis. It is uplifting and humorous and includes plenty of tips for making an Asperger marriage succeed. This book offers couples hope, encouragement and strategies for their own relationships.

## **From Like to Love for Young People with Asperger's Syndrome (Autism Spectrum Disorder)**

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If you're in a relationship with someone who has Asperger's syndrome, it's likely that your partner sometimes seems cold and insensitive. Other times, he or she may have emotional outbursts for no apparent reason. And in those moments when you can't understand each other at all, you both feel fed up, frustrated, and confused. The behavior of people with Asperger's can be hard to understand and easy to misinterpret, which is why it's so important to learn more about your partner's condition. The tools presented in *Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome* will help you build intimacy and improve the way you and your partner communicate. Filled with assessments and exercises for both you and your partner, this book will help you forge a deeper, more fulfilling relationship. This book will teach you how to:

- Understand the effect of Asperger's syndrome on your partner
- Practice effective communication skills
- Constructively work through frustrations and fights
- Establish relationship ground rules to help you fulfill each others' needs

### **What Men with Asperger Syndrome Want to Know About Women, Dating and Relationships**

Comparing both AS and non-AS partners' viewpoints, this book frankly examines the aspects of relationships that are often complicated by the disorder. With all findings illustrated with case examples taken from interviews conducted with couples, the author tackles issues such as attraction, trust, communication, sex and intimacy, and parenting.

### **22 Things a Woman with Asperger's Syndrome Wants Her Partner to Know**

Rudy Simone covers 22 common areas of confusion for someone dating a female with AS and includes advice from her own experience and from other partners in real relationships. She talks with humour and honesty about the quirks and sensitivities that you may come across when getting to know your partner. All the pivotal relationship landmarks are discussed, including the first date, sex, and even having children. This entertaining and easy-to-read book will be ideal for anyone dating, or in a relationship with, an AS female. Women with AS themselves, and their families and friends, will also enjoy the book and find it useful. Counsellors and other professionals working with women with AS will find the insight offered extremely enlightening.

### **Getting a Life with Asperger's**

Although having Asperger Syndrome (AS) can make romantic relations difficult, having a fulfilling relationship with an Asperger man is certainly not impossible. A woman in love with a man with AS may interpret his difficulties with communication and socialization as a lack of interest in the relationship. He may vacillate between being gentle and caring to seeming cold and distant. She may find his behaviour hard to understand, resulting in feelings of loneliness, isolation, and confusion. This book shows how to overcome these difficulties and maintain a loving relationship with an AS partner. From an unwillingness to show affection in public or even sleep in the same bed to problems holding down a job, this book

looks at 22 common traits that women may discover when they are dating, living with or married to a man with Asperger's Syndrome. Rudy Simone explores the complications of Asperger's relationships with honesty and understanding, drawing on research and personal experience to inform and advise women with AS partners. She offers helpful tips for improving the relationship and finding fulfillment both individually and as a couple. This book will help women to understand the male Asperger's mind and, equally, it can help men with AS to see things from their partner's perspective. It will also be of interest to counsellors working with couples where the male partner has Asperger's Syndrome.

## **Asperger's From the Inside Out**

Proven counseling strategies that will help improve the relationships of married, long-term or co-habiting couples with Asperger's Syndrome (Autism Spectrum Disorder). ASD relationship expert Eva A. Mendes provides advice straight from the couples' counselling room that can be applied in day-to-day living and help with the challenges that can arise in relationships where one or both partners are on the autism spectrum. This includes issues surrounding diagnosis, mental health, sexual compatibility, sensory needs, executive functioning, theory of mind, communication, and co-parenting. She offers unique practical ideas for positive change such as creating a relationship schedule, making expression of appreciation and gratitude a part of every day, and finding mutually satisfying activities and special interests to engage in with your partner. The strategies in this book will be useful to couples themselves and any couples' counselors or therapists working with them.

## **Asperger's and Adulthood**

Positive, practical and realistic, this book offers a wealth of information on women, dating and relationships for men with Asperger Syndrome (AS). Many AS men are totally confused and bewildered by women and relationships and find it hard to know what to do, what to say and how to get it right. For these men, understanding the emotional side to relationships and women's needs can be a complete mystery and they often get it disastrously wrong. This practical handbook provides the answers to Asperger men's most frequently asked questions about women, dating and relationships, helping them to understand the way relationships work and increasing their confidence and ability to have successful relationships. This comprehensive handbook is essential reading for men with Asperger Syndrome (and their partners). It will also be of immeasurable use to counsellors and other professionals working with such individuals.

## **Aspergers in Love**

'This book breaks down the social, emotional and practical aspects of relationships so usefully that it is a good resource for teachers and others working with neurotypical individuals. In fact the book so sensibly discusses pitfalls, strategies and individual responsibilities that it would be valuable reading for teenagers generally as well as for individuals with Asperger syndrome' - Tess Coll, autism outreach teacher 'The Asperger Love Guide is recommended reading for those with

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Asperger's syndrome who are seeking or within a relationship. The authors provide a clear explanation of how the characteristics of Asperger's syndrome can affect the development of a relationship and the expression of love. They then provide sound practical advice for individuals and couples. I really enjoyed reading The Asperger Love Guide and will be recommending the book to my clients' - Professor Tony Attwood 'This is the first book I've read in a long time that, once started, I couldn't put down until it was finished. It is an exceptionally good read. The 77 pages are written succinctly with no waffle - just straight to the point. I will definitely buy a copy of this book for the whole family to use! I will use it to guide Joe (my 17 year old Asperger son) when he's ready for it. It's not a book he would read himself; in fact I read the section "the merits of single life" out loud to him a bit like a bed time story' - Action for ASD 'There is a great need for more awareness of Asperger syndrome and how it affects personal relationships. The National Autistic Society find this a helpful guide' - Cathy Mercer, NAS 'This book sets out some helpful facts about relationships in a neat, simple form' - Asperger United 'An excellent self 'help-text' the book is a clear and matter-of-fact guide to relationships and is unapologetic in offering straightforward and helpful advice for romantic success Not a word is wasted, and as well as being highly recommended for individuals with Asperger's Syndrome, should also be read by education professionals supporting young people with Asperger's Syndrome in schools, colleges and universities' - SENCO Update 'Aimed primarily at individuals with Asperger syndrome, this very readable book is in fact of use to a much wider audience. The issues are discussed openly and logically and the advice given is both sympathetic and very matter of fact The book breaks down the social, emotional and practical aspects of relationships so usefully that it is a good resource for teachers and others working with neurotypical individuals. Infact the book so sensibly discusses pitfalls, strategies and individual responsibilities that it would be valuable reading for teenagers generally as well as for individuals with Asperger syndrome' - British Journal of Special Education Material based on the experiences of the people on the Autistic Spectrum is usually written by neurotypical writers. Here, Genevieve and Dean, both adults with Asperger's Syndrome, share their advice and tips for romantic success. The chapters cover: o building self-esteem; o the best places to meet potential partners; o dating; o maintaining relationships. Both authors work with the Asperger community, either providing support or training, so their insight is based upon other people's experiences as well as their own. This is shown in a number of case studies that support the elements described in each chapter. They write in a clear, accessible and non-patronizing way which will suit their audience. This will prove to be an invaluable book to those with Asperger's or those that support Asperger people. Dean Worton is a 31 year-old high functioning individual with a very positive expression of Asperger Syndrome. He runs a successful UK-based website for adults with Asperger Syndrome and hosts real-life meet-ups around the UK for its members. His key interest is in encouraging adults with AS to live positively and successfully with the gifts that Asperger Syndrome provides. He also works in administration and resides in North-West England. Genevieve Edmonds is a 23 year old with 'residual' Asperger Syndrome, which she views as a significant gift. She works as an associate of the Missing Link Support Service in Lancashire supporting those 'disabled by society' including individuals with ASD. She speaks and writes frequently in the field of Autism, along with giving training, workshops and soon counselling. She aims to empower those with ASD, carers and professionals in the

understanding of Asperger Syndrome as a difference rather than an impairment. She lives and works in a solution-focused way and is based in North-West England

## **Asperger Syndrome and Long-term Relationships**

"This book is full of tips, techniques and stories that will give you an inside look at what it means to have Asperger's. You will come away inspired and with a new understanding of how to communicate more effectively with those you love! In this book you'll learn the truth about Asperger's Syndrome and why it's one of the least understood disorders today. The average person has never even heard of this syndrome. So it probably comes as no surprise that people with Asperger's are often alienated, as they tend to communicate in a way that others can't easily relate to. Some with Asperger's will usually find it difficult to understand normal social cues. They can feel very alone, yet have no clue as to how to express the feelings inside them. They can feel constantly rejected and harassed by those around them and even the ones who love them. You must truly understand this syndrome in order to have a good relationship with a person that has this disorder. If you know someone with Asperger's your goal should be to learn as much as you can about this disorder. You need to understand why people with this syndrome think and live the way they do. I created this book so you can communicate and learn coping techniques that will create better lives for you and your loved one."--Back cover.

## **Marriage and Lasting Relationships with Asperger's Syndrome (Autism Spectrum Disorder)**

Love That Boy is a multilayered story about one father's journey to acceptance. Ron Fournier's son has Asperger's syndrome, a form of autism that makes Tyler socially awkward. With a stiff nudge from his wife, Ron traveled the country with Tyler to various presidential sites and visited with former presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush, in a series of oguilto trips that help him appreciate Tyler for who he is, rather than what he wanted him to be. On a broader level, it's a story about every parent's stratospheric expectations for their children-where and why the dreams are made, how these aspirations distort childhood, and what ways they can be properly channeled. When a parent's expectations come from the wrong place and are pressed into service of the wrong goals, kids get hurt. While a parent's love is unconditional, a parent's pride comes with caveats. Ron discovered both late in his job as a father, which he shares in this compelling and honest look at the universal pitfalls of modern parenting.

## **Asperger Syndrome Explained**

This book starts with a new sub category of Autism Criminal Autistic Psychopathy and school shootings. It focuses on a number of interventions, including speech and language pathology, speech and language assessment instruments, occupational therapy, improving functional language development in autism with natural gestures, communication boards etc as well as helping people with autism using the pictorial support, training of concepts of significant others, theory of mind, social concepts and a conceptual model for empowering families of children

with autism cross culturally. It also examines the issue of hyperandrogenism and evidence-based treatments of autism. In terms of assessment, it focuses on psychological and biological assessment including neurotransmitters systems, structural and functional brain imaging, coping strategies of parents, examines the intertwining of language impairment, specific language impairment and ASD, as well as implicit and spontaneous Theory of Mind reading in ASD. In terms of aetiology, it focuses on genetic factors, epigenetics, synaptic vesicles, toxicity during neurodevelopment, immune system and sex differences. It also examines the link between social cognitive anatomical and neurophysiologic biomarkers and candidate genes. This book will be relevant to all mental health professionals because autism occurs in all the different areas of psychiatry and professionals who will find it helpful will be psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, nurses, teachers and all those working with persons with Autism including parents who nowadays are interested in knowing more and more, at a detailed level about their children or adults with autism.

## **Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome**

- Over 11 million copies sold - #1 New York Times Bestseller for 8 years running - Now celebrating its 25th anniversary Simple ideas, lasting love Falling in love is easy. Staying in love—that's the challenge. How can you keep your relationship fresh and growing amid the demands, conflicts, and just plain boredom of everyday life? In the #1 New York Times bestseller *The 5 Love Languages*, you'll discover the secret that has transformed millions of relationships worldwide. Whether your relationship is flourishing or failing, Dr. Gary Chapman's proven approach to showing and receiving love will help you experience deeper and richer levels of intimacy with your partner—starting today. *The 5 Love Languages* is as practical as it is insightful. Updated to reflect the complexities of relationships today, this new edition reveals intrinsic truths and applies relevant, actionable wisdom in ways that work. Includes the Couple's Personal Profile assessment so you can discover your love language and that of your loved one.

## **The Asperger Love Guide**

*Life with a Partner or Spouse with Asperger Syndrome: Going Over the Edge?* gives you a look into the lives of a handful of people who live with a loved one with Asperger Syndrome (AS). Written by a psychologist who has family members with Asperger Syndrome and has worked for years with clients with AS, the focus of the book is on how partners/spouses of someone with AS can take back their lives and find true meaning and happiness. Often the relationship between someone with AS and his or her partner is so strained that the conflicts escalate to damaging proportions, involving divorce, domestic violence and depression. The author explores these relationships in an effort to bring the two worlds a bit closer, which can ultimately make a real difference in the happiness of many people. In short, this book was written primarily to help spouses/partners of those with Asperger Syndrome learn how to grow away from dysfunctional behavior and dysfunctional relationships.

## **Adult Asperger's Syndrome**

Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome is an essential resource for anyone in a relationship with a partner who has Asperger's. This book explains how Asperger's may cause problems in a relationship and offers help for communicating, coparenting, and building an emotional connection with a partner who has Asperger's syndrome. While people with Asperger's tend to be very loyal and reliable in their relationships, the romantic partners of people with Asperger's syndrome may struggle with feelings of rejection or loneliness, feel starved of physical affection, or suffer from social embarrassment as a result of their partners' symptoms. This book presents practical guidance that will help partners get what they need in their relationships by working together with their Asperger's partner. Filled with exercises for both the reader and the partner with Asperger's and anecdotes from the author's own experiences in clinical practice. This realistic, yet hopeful guide shows readers how they can express anger effectively and productively, help their family and friends understand their partner with Asperger's, and keep from being embarrassed by their partner in social situations. The book also includes chapters on parenting together and handling sex and intimacy issues.

## **Autism Spectrum Disorder**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "As sweet and funny and sad and true and heartfelt a memoir as one could find." —from the foreword by Augusten Burroughs Ever since he was young, John Robison longed to connect with other people, but by the time he was a teenager, his odd habits—an inclination to blurt out non sequiturs, avoid eye contact, dismantle radios, and dig five-foot holes (and stick his younger brother, Augusten Burroughs, in them)—had earned him the label "social deviant." It was not until he was forty that he was diagnosed with a form of autism called Asperger's syndrome. That understanding transformed the way he saw himself—and the world. A born storyteller, Robison has written a moving, darkly funny memoir about a life that has taken him from developing exploding guitars for KISS to building a family of his own. It's a strange, sly, indelible account—sometimes alien yet always deeply human.

## **Alone Together**

Hard-won insights on transitioning into adulthood. Author, speaker, and autism advocate Jesse A. Saperstein knows a lot about living with Asperger's. Diagnosed at the age of 14, Jesse has struggled, triumphed, flubbed, soared, educated, and inspired. Along the road to adulthood, he has learned many lessons the hard way. In this honest and engaging book, he offers a guided tour of what he's learned about getting along with others, managing emotions, succeeding in school and work, building relationships, and more. Among the topics covered are- Avoiding the pitfalls of inertia and time wasters Surviving the world of online dating Navigating the challenges of college Understanding how others perceive you (even if they're wrong) Maintaining employment (even if your options are not ideal) Confronting memories of bullying and showing mercy toward yourself Serving as a role model to the next generation Heartfelt, insightful, and generous, this book will enlighten and inform readers, whether they are on the autism spectrum or not. 'Jesse Saperstein's straightforward, frank advice on the methods he used to make a successful transition to adulthood make this book essential reading for individuals

with Asperger's or high-functioning Autism.' Temple Grandin, Ph.D., author of The Autistic Brain

## **Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome**

How do adolescents with Asperger's Syndrome (AS) cope with sexual feelings and behaviour, and how do people with AS deal with intimacy and communication in sexual relationships? This guide provides practical advice on such issues as puberty, couples' therapy, and maintaining sexual boundaries.

## **Loving Mr. Spock**

Subject: Girls with Asperger's Syndrome are less frequently diagnosed than boys, & even once symptoms have been recognized, help is often not readily available. The image of coping well presented by AS females can often mask difficulties, deficits, challenges, & loneliness.

## **Love That Boy**

First published in 2002. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

## **The Bride Test**

Communication and intimacy can feel like a constant struggle in relationships where one partner has Asperger Syndrome (AS). For the neuro-typical partner (NT) in particular, this can be an endless source of frustration, misunderstandings, and tears. Drawing on her own experience of being married to a man with AS, Louise Weston shows that the road to intimacy begins with letting go of expectations and looking after your own physical and emotional needs. She provides tried-and-tested strategies for relating to and connecting with your AS partner, as well as useful tips for coping with hurtful words and meltdowns, helping your partner to interpret emotions, and finding further sources of help and support. Above all, she shows that although your AS/NT relationship will challenge you beyond what you ever thought possible, by letting go of expectations and respecting each others' differences, this unique partnership really can be both happy and successful. Brimming with stories and advice from other NT partners, this practical book will help NTs take positive steps towards connecting with their AS partners. It will also be a useful resource for counsellors and other professionals who wish to deepen their understanding of AS/NT relationships.

## **The Autistic Brain**

When Chris Slater-Walker was diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome it explained why he regarded himself as "socially handicapped", but for Gisela it meant coming to terms with a marriage without any intuitive understanding. This is an account of living with AS, often thought incompatible with marriage.

## **Loving Mr Spock**

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Based on academic research, experiences as a counselor specializing in this area and personal relationship experiences, the author uses quotations and real-life examples to illustrate her points with a compassionate understanding. Practical everyday topics include living and coping with AS, anger and AS, getting the message across, sex and AS, parenting, staying together, and "AS cannot be blamed for everything."

### **The Partner's Guide to Asperger Syndrome**

"Out of Mind - Out of Sight: Parenting with a Partner with Asperger Syndrome (ASD)," takes an honest look at the unique issues that come up when you're co-parenting with an Asperger partner. It's a tough assignment because for the Aspie (ASD) parent so many of the interactions within the family circle, that require empathy, are literally out of mind - out of sight. This is essential reading for the Neuro-Typical (NT) parent to learn more about Asperger Syndrome and find a way to co-parent, co-exist and even thrive within the Asperger/NT family unit. Author Kathy J. Marshack, Ph.D, is a licensed psychologist with more than 33 years of experience as a marriage and family therapist, and a parent of a daughter with AS. This book is a follow-up to her first book to explore Asperger relationships, *Life with a Partner or Spouse with Asperger Syndrome: Going over the Edge? Practical Steps to Saving You and Your Relationship*, which garnered worldwide attention due to its unforgivingly realistic portrayal of loving someone with Asperger's. Once again, in this new book readers will find it is not a quirky, upbeat human-interest story on Asperger Syndrome. Instead, Dr. Marshack doesn't pull back from revealing the harsh realities that a Neuro-Typical (NT) faces in parenting with someone who doesn't fully understand them or their children. However, she also provides hope and practical solutions on how to co-parent more successfully. How is an NT parent supposed to share the multi-dimensional work of parenting with a spouse who has no concept of the empathic glue that holds the parent/child relationship (and the parent/parent relationship) together? There are no shortcuts and no easy answers, but the question is explored in all its multi-faceted complexities. In the first part of the book, Dr. Marshack introduces the reader to the daily life of AS/NT co-parenting. There is no analysis, just raw emotional experiences that will resonate with readers who are living this life. Next, readers will be compelled to shed some of their preconceived notions as Dr. Marshack explains the science behind these troubling relationship as well as state of the art theories on Asperger Syndrome (ASD). At the end of the book Dr. Marshack provides specific techniques to help readers implement the changes they want and need to make to revive their marriage and their parenting as well as reclaim their personal freedom.

### **Connecting With Your Asperger Partner**

Open, honest and upbeat, this book gives personal insight into both the ups and downs of an Asperger relationship. Seeking to challenge the bad press that people with Asperger Syndrome (AS) get as partners, Sarah and Keith tell their story of how they are making it work - and also how they got it wrong - with disarming frankness and humour. When Sarah and Keith met in 2003 neither knew much about Asperger Syndrome. Sarah thought Keith was 'weird' and couldn't work out why; and Keith thought Sarah was obsessed with diagnosing him with something-

or-other. Difficulties ensued that brought the relationship to an end. Slowly, however, they each built up their knowledge of AS and in the meantime developed a mutual understanding, mutual acceptance and a desire to be together again. This personal account is supplemented with professional knowledge and anecdotes gained from Sarah's work with adults with AS - a career which started as a result of her experiences with Keith. She swears that she didn't take her work home with her! It is inspiring reading for couples in Asperger relationships as well as for counselling professionals.

## **22 Things a Woman Must Know If She Loves a Man with Asperger's Syndrome**

As a popular advice columnist in the UK, Barbara Jacobs never suspected she'd be the one needing the relationship advice. But when she fell in love with Danny, a man with Asperger's Syndrome, she quickly learned to expect the unexpected. In this book, Barbara candidly delves into the dynamics of their relationship. She lovingly compares Danny to Mr. Spock, a character who thrives on logic rather than emotion, while admitting that she was quite opposite. Join Barbara and Danny on their tumultuous journey in love, and learn about Asperger's along the way through figures, diagnostic guidelines, quotes and surveys by other couples, and more. If you love someone with Asperger's, or have Asperger's yourself, you can learn a lot from this book. Note: This book addresses some mature topics. Helpful chapters include: The Handsome Stranger Syndrome First Steps in a Parallel Universe Other-wired Bringing Up Baby A Working Model Breakthrough Nuts and Bolts

## **Look Me in the Eye**

Includes bibliographical references and index.

## **Asperger Syndrome (Autism Spectrum Disorder) and Long-Term Relationships**

If your child rarely shows you that he or she loves you, it can be profoundly distressing. This is the experience of many parents of children with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD), and most fear that it reflects the truth. In fact the truth has generally more to do with the difficulty that young people with an ASD have in communicating like or love for someone physically and verbally. They may not know how to go about expressing themselves in these ways, or understand that family members and friends can find the absence of demonstrative affection upsetting. This book, by world leading experts Tony Attwood and Michelle Garnett, addresses this issue in practical terms. They provide carefully designed activities for parents to work through with their children to help them to understand and express affection. Their child will learn to identify his or her own and others' comfort and enjoyment range for gestures, actions and words of affection and the different ways to express feelings for someone, appropriate to each relationship and situation. The activities are simple, straightforward, and very carefully structured, so that they can be undertaken at the pace that works for the individual family. The book also guides the adult through the challenges faced by the child, leading to greater understanding and confidence in their relationship

with their child, and increased ability to nurture the child's ability to form engaged relationships and friendships with others. Readers of Tony Attwood's previous books will recognise his warm, positive and empowering approach. The book will be a transformative resource for parents and family worried about their child's emotional life.

## **The Complete Guide to Asperger's Syndrome**

A guide to Asperger's syndrome describes what it is and how it is diagnosed, along with information on such topics as bullying, emotions, language, movement, cognitive ability, and long-term relationships.

## **Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome**

I didn't write this book to destroy my ex I actually started to write it for myself as it felt cathartic to write everything down. My ex ASOH was not a bad man he did not mean to do the things he did but the lack of love and affection and the complete absence of emotional reciprocity nearly destroyed me. My ex did not know he had Asperger's neither did I it was only after I had left him and he moved on straight away that I started to research why he had no feelings. How could you move on from a 13 year relationship without a backward glance? He had rejected me emotionally for almost 12 of the 13 years I was with him and now he had delivered the final rejection, he had moved on without a care. I came across so many differing personality types none of which fit him until I came across Asperger's or High Functioning Autism as it is now known. AS fit him like a glove, the lack of warmth, affection, conversation and poor social interactions he was classic AS. I hope by reading this book that it might save just one of you lonely Neuro Typical (normal) partners from the painful situation I found myself in. Don't read this book if you don't want read swearing or you want to salvage your relationship this book is not about making an AS/NT relationship work it's about the damage done to the NT spouse. If it offends you tough it's true totally true I have a right to give the story my point of view and not from a totally empathy free AS point of view.

## **Asperger's Syndrome and Sexuality**

The warm and hilarious bestselling memoir by a man diagnosed with Asperger syndrome who sets out to save his marriage. At some point in nearly every marriage, a wife finds herself asking, What the @#!% is wrong with my husband?! In David Finch's case, this turns out to be an apt question. Five years after he married Kristen, the love of his life, they learn that he has Asperger syndrome. The diagnosis explains David's ever-growing list of quirks and compulsions, but it doesn't make him any easier to live with. Determined to change, David sets out to understand Asperger syndrome and learn to be a better husband with an endearing yet hilarious zeal. His methods for improving his marriage involve excessive note-taking, performance reviews, and most of all, the Journal of Best Practices: a collection of hundreds of maxims and hard-won epiphanies, including "Don't change the radio station when she's singing along" and "Apologies do not count when you shout them." Over the course of two years, David transforms himself from the world's most trying husband to the husband who tries the

hardest. He becomes the husband he'd always meant to be. Filled with humor and surprising wisdom, *The Journal of Best Practices* is a candid story of ruthless self-improvement, a unique window into living with an autism spectrum condition, and proof that a true heart can conquer all.

## **The Other Half of Asperger Syndrome**

If you're in a relationship with someone who has Asperger's syndrome, it's likely that your partner sometimes seems cold and insensitive. Other times, he or she may have emotional outbursts for no apparent reason. And in those moments when you can't understand each other at all, you both feel fed up, frustrated, and confused. The behavior of people with Asperger's can be hard to understand and easy to misinterpret, which is why it's so important to learn more about your partner's condition. The tools presented in *Loving Someone with Asperger's Syndrome* will help you build intimacy and improve the way you and your partner communicate. Filled with assessments and exercises for both you and your partner, this book will help you forge a deeper, more fulfilling relationship. This book will teach you how to:

- Understand the effect of Asperger's syndrome on your partner
- Practice effective communication skills
- Constructively work through frustrations and fights
- Establish relationship ground rules to help you fulfill each others' needs

## **Aspergirls**

An intimate, engaging, and insightful guide to coping with Asperger's—from one of the condition's most passionate advocates. Michael John Carley was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome at thirty-six—when his young son received the same diagnosis. This fascinating book reveals his personal experience with the confusion and trauma associated with this condition—and offers insights into living an independent and productive life. Now the Executive Director of the world's largest Asperger's organization, Carley helps readers in such areas as:

- Social interactions
- Nurturing interests
- Whom to confide in—and how
- Dealing with family and loved ones
- Finding work that suits your strengths and talents

## **Out of Mind - Out of Sight**

As a young bride, Jennifer Smith couldn't wait to build her life with the man she adored. She dreamed of closeness, of being fully known and loved by her husband. But the first years of marriage were nothing like she'd imagined. Instead, they were marked by disappointment and pain. Trapped by fear and insecurity, and feeling totally alone, Jennifer cried out to God: What am I doing wrong? Why is this happening to us? It was as if a veil had descended between her and her husband, and between her and God—one that kept her from experiencing the fullness of love. How did Jennifer and her husband survive the painful times? What did they do when they were tempted to call it quits? How did God miraculously step in during the darkest hour to rescue and redeem them, tearing down the veil once and for all? *The Unveiled Wife* is a real-life love story; one couple's refreshingly raw, transparent journey touching the deep places in a marriage that only God can reach. If you are feeling disappointment or even despair about your marriage, the

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heart-cry of this book is: You are not alone. Discover through Jennifer's story how God can bring you through it all to a place of transformation.

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