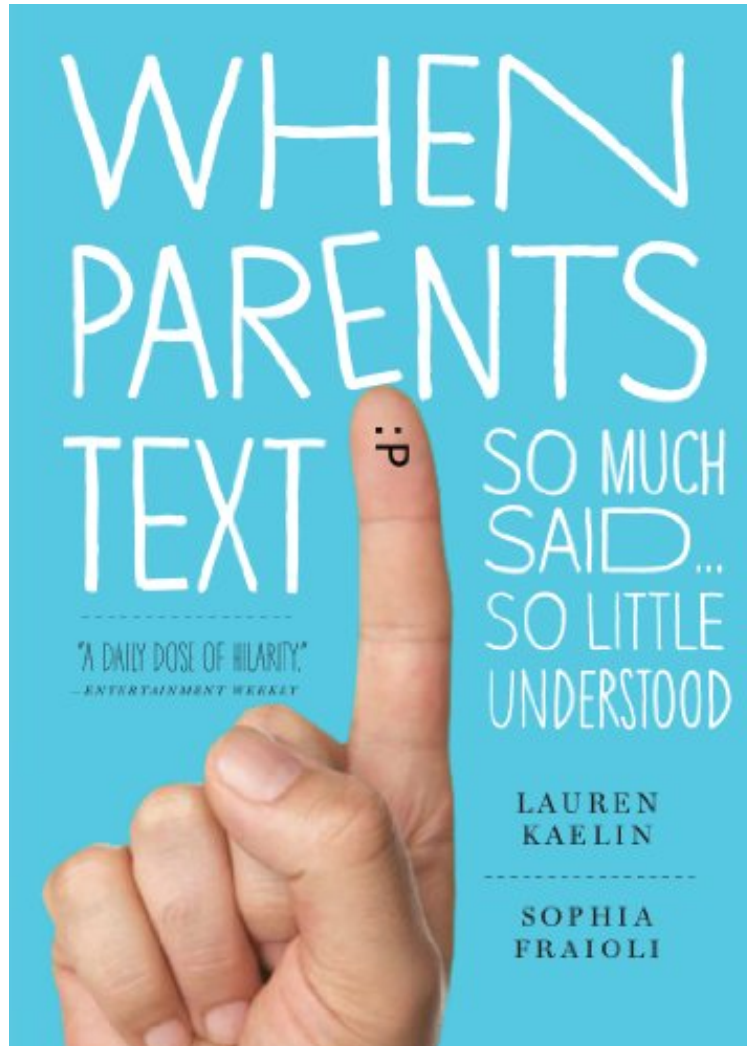


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A surprisingly sweet picture of contemporary family lifeBy Debra HamelWhen Parents Text, by twenty-somethings Lauren Kaelin and Sophia Friaoli, is a collection of text messages culled from their site whenparentstext.com. As the title suggests, the texts included are communications between parents and children, and they tend to highlight the divide between the texting generation and their less with-it parents. Reading the texts I was initially disappointed because they're not laugh-out-loud funny in the way that the texts featured on damnyouautocorrect.com are. I didn't laugh out loud once reading When Parents Text, but I did smile:

reading more I realized that if these aren't drop dead funny they are awfully sweet. The picture they paint of contemporary familial relations is a very heartening one. So I've come away from the book happy about that and also amused that I'm not the only dorky parent out there embarrassing my kids (often on purpose). Here are a few choice examples from the book:---Dad: Lake Whitney is covered with pelicans.Me: That's great, but you do know that now 50% of your all-time texts to me are about pelicans.Dad: And? I like pelicans. 66%---Mom: Hey! Check out the birthday greeting I put up on your brother's FB!Me: Okay.Me: It just says, "Happy birthday!"Mom: Yeah. I thought it would be nice.---Dad: How are you feeling?Me: Not great. Throat hurts.Dad: Sorry. Drink more emergencyMe: I'm doing everything I can. Nasal spray, cough drops, oral decongestant, vitamin c...Dad: That a girl. I am very proud of youMe: For using nasal spray?Dad: Everything1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Some Very Funny Bits - RecommendedBy C. Hill"When Parents Text" is an amusing collection of actual text messages sent by parents and grandparents with unintentionally funny results. The formatting is OK on the Kindle and is usually very obvious what the gaff was, whether is the misuse of emoticons or "auto-corrected" words (caution, some are not safe for younger readers). This good size collection is mostly on target and funny but there are a few that fall a little flat, as might be expected.This makes a very good light reading when traveling!Recommended!CFH2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. This grandmother follows it on Facebook tooBy J. WoodI got this free (I think) or deal of the day from and have savored it in short bursts--doctor's office, waiting for shuttles and on short flights.As a grandmother-who-texts, I laughed aloud or I totally didn't get it. There's a few I will ask about at the next family gathering.I remember struggling with texting in the beginning and blush at the memory of some of the strange ways "spellcheck" changed what I intended.I don't know if all the stories came from whenparentstext.com or if some were saved for the book, but it's a nice light-hearted change--especially during long waits at the medical center.I will be reading it again, and maybe next time I will have grown up enough to understand the parts I didn't understand before.Follow them on Facebook to revisit favorites and get the newest ones.And I don't care if I got strange looks for laughing out loud in public

A collection of insanely funny texts between parents and kids, *When Parents Text* is a surprisingly affecting window into the complicated time when parents aren't ready to let go, and kids aren't ready to be let go. The parents are well-meaning but hopeless, silly and a little corny, and befuddled by the technology. The kids are bewildered yet patient: the perfect straight man. And the authors, two recent college graduates, Lauren Kaelin and Sophia Fraioli, have an unerring editorial instinct to select the funniest, sweetest, quirkiest, most-telling exchanges. There's the revelatory: Mom: My fingers are saying words. This is amazing.The virtual scolding:Dad: I will deal with your sassy behavior when I get home. Meanwhile have some fiber.The autofill-challenged: Mom: dig up some tadpoles on ur way homo. Me: ummm, what? Mom: It autocorrected me. I mean to say dig up some tadpoles on ur way homo. (4 minutes later) Mom: PICK UP SOME TAMPONS ON YOUR WAY HOME.The manically inappropriate:Mom: Woo Hoo—Ruth died, you know Uncle Lyman's wife, BUT I have your Braves tickets and check on the table!!And the downright inexplicable:Dad: You could poop your pants in the yankee candle store and no one would know.Launched as a website just last year, [www.whenparentstext.com](http://www.whenparentstext.com) is a phenomenon. It receives 300,000 to 500,000 page views a day, with features in *The Huffington Post*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *College Humor*, and more. *When Parents Text* includes the best of texts from the website, plus more than 50 percent all-new material never before published.Includes an emoticon glossary and 16-page color insert of MMS texts— multimedia messaging service, aka, bizarre photos from mom and dad. It's the perfect gift for every text-savvy kid to give to his or her parents.

“An addictive and side-splitting read . . . the underlying relationship between parent and teen is simultaneously touching and hysterical. This should be a best seller--it is a total moment-in-time classic. Enthusiastically recommended.” --Library Journal (starred review)