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Ninth grader Rudy has a date with eleventh grader Patricia. Now he has to come up with the money, the poise, and the conversation to carry it off. This one-act play, by turns heartwarming and heart-wrenching, follows Rudy from his desperate search for guidance through the hilarious date itself--all the way to its happy conclusion.

Includes a glossary of Spanish phrases.

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Adrian Cardona says

My first impression of the book was that it a funny because and it a good book to read because all of the characters make the book better when you have fun when you're reading,Tio juan make the funny parts he was always the funniest person in the book from the beginning until the end.My favorite character was Tio Juan because he makes the funnies part also it was nice when he went and sing at the restaurant and he gave the money to him. The funniest part it was when Uncle Juan was was singing at the restaurant. I think it was funny when novio boy went to the restaurant with Patricia and her whole family was there,if that was me i would feel weird about because you will be in a date with someone that you like and it would be just weird.

However I would recommend this book to another 9th graders. Because it's easy to read and is a really fun book Also there's a lot of characters.

Juleissy says

I think that is a nice book and is about a boy that live this girl that is in the 11 grade .

Nicol says

My overall impression of the book Novio Boy was okay. My favorite character of this book was Patricia, because she is an eleventh grader who knows a lot about dating and she even knows how to drive. One of my reasons I liked this book was because the character Patricia reminded me of my friend. My friend is beautiful, tall and a passionate girl which is totally like Patricia. The funniest part of this book was when Patricia and Rudy were on a date for the first time. Rudy told Patricia how beautiful she was and was telling her sweet things. Another funny and embarrassing part was when all Rudy's family was there and Patricia didn't know they were there.

I would recommend this book to other ninth graders. I think it is a good idea to refresh your memory by reading a book that everybody can enjoy. Also that everybody can act too, and that makes it fun for me. Another reason this book is great is because it includes Spanglish words.

Athena says

I read this book for an extracredit project. ONLY because of that did i read that book. It was only about 80 pages and read it in 30 extremly long minutes. Its about a boy named rudy, a 9th grader, going on a date with a girl 2 years older than him. Pointless book. If it wasnt because a need the extracredit, i wouldnt have looked at it.

Sorry to the people who like it.

Laura Figueroa says

Novio Boy, in my opinion, is a great book. It was short and funny but had a good vibe to it. The main character in the story was Rudy and he was my absolute favorite character. He had this sense of humor like no other guy. Rudy was super sweet and it was so cute of him because he was just trying to make his date with an older girl so perfect. Even if his date was two years older than him.

Overall, this book was super funny but I have to say that my favorite part of the book was when his date, Patricia, went to go get her hair done before a date. It turns out that she went to the salon that her date's mom owns. At the salon, Rudy's mother and Patricia were talking about the date but had no idea they were both talking about the same boy. You couldn't imagine what happened after that. Guess you're going to have to read to find out!

Although this book was very good in my opinion, there was still something I didn't like. In the book the author set it up so that everybody-- Rudy's mom, aunt, friend, uncle-- found each other at the restaurant the date was taking place. What a coincidence, huh? Either way I really recommend this book to all of you because other than being a great book, it is a very easy book to read. Also, it's a play book so maybe after you're done reading it, you and your class could act it out!

Tanay says

This book is about one boy that are in ninth grade, her name is Gary and he look for a girl, of the eleventh grade and her name is patricia . and Rudy ask a looking for a date , and she say yes , and Rudy is very nervous , what will he say to her , how cant act form her and how he can surprise her. and he invited her to the restaurant while he is trying to romance patricia. the Important think is that he want that she have a excellent and unforgettable day .

Jostin Pacheco says

I did like Novio Boy by Gary Soto because I think is not a long book and each one read one character. My favorite character from the book was El Gato because he talks funny and he work in a radio. The funniest part from the book was when Uncle Juan sings in El Gato's radio and it was a really funny song. Uncle Juan was funny from the beginning until the end. My first impression from the book is that it was funny and it's a good book to read. One thing that I don't like it was when novio boy went into to the date and he's whole family was there It was embarrassing because it was uncontrollably for him. One thing I could change from the book it's that patricia's mom was weird and i also would change the old mas...

I will recommend this book to other ninth grader because it makes you laugh and is interesting because all character talk two different languages and it's funny..

Anthony Chavez says

This was a cute little play about a young boy named Rudy who is going to go out on a date with an older girl named Pamela AND EVERYTHING that builds up to that date. All the chisme, oh yeah and this play is written in Spanglish and has a little Spanish glossary of words used in the play, that leads up to the date: Rudy talking to his best friend about it, Rudy trying to get some money for the date, his family's reaction to him dating an older girl, etc. etc. It all culminates at the restaurant Steaks, Steaks, y mas Steaks, where somehow, all the characters end up crashing Rudy and Pamela's big date.

It was a cute fun little read, that I can really see kids Junior High age kids getting into and having fun acting out and performing. Good easy to read writing by Gary Soto.

Rafael says

This book is about a kid that has a crush on this girl and he finly got a date with her. But his family came to the resteraunt they went to. This is a funny play, when my class actted this out i starting luahging on the floor. A lot more classes should act out this play.

Jeffrey says

Novio Boy by Gary Soto I believe everyone should read this book because it was funny, I remember when Rudy told his mom that he needs 15 dollars for his date with Patricia. And she was like who is she.? My favorite character was Rudy because, He was in a date and he got embarrassed because his mom, and his uncle Juan was on his date with Patricia. The funniest part was when Patricia ordered like 5 things to eat and Rudy just ordered a soda. He only has the \$15 that his mom gave him. I really want to heard uncle Juan songs I remember one song was call “Tortillas and Beans.” My favorite character was Rudy because he was the funniest one in the book.

When he was selling the apples to a buyer. He was just laughing because Alex didn’t know how to count all the apples the buyer wanted.

I recommend this book to ninth graders because, it's a really good book, and funny especially when the teacher let us acting like we all are in the play. Based on that I want every freshman read this book because, everybody could now more about a date with a boy who's in 9 grade and the girl is on 11 grade

Andrea says

I finished reading the book NOVIO BOOK by Gary Soto and I rate this a 4/5 because I mean it was a pretty good book, it wasn't that bad though. This book is about how a ninth grader asks a good looking eleventh grader to go eat and she says yes. How did it go for him? Then read the book expectually if u speak spanish.

Patricia says

Its a really cute play about your first date. I could so relate to all the characters and superstitions being mentioned. Overall, its a funny play with some aspects of the mexican language incorporated which made it even better.

Eduardo says

How was your first date?have you ever been on a date?what do you say?

Those were some questions our main character ruby was asking himself before going on is his date with a girl 2 years older than him.

Something that i found really cool was that the author of this play gary soto drove 200 miles to watch the first production of his first play.In this book novio boy the character is kinda relatable like with his mom not wanting him to go on dates.But something that i found that was really annoying was how they would just speak and sometimes add spanish words in the middle of there sentences and how they would try to use spanish slang to try to get some humor out of it but i found it kind of annoying.Something else that i did not like was that i felt no connection towards the character like the i didn't really care if his date went well or not i did not the book didn't really give me any reason why i should care about this character .

I do no think this book can relate to 2017 because most people when they want to go on a date they just go to the mall or to see a movie in the book they did something different something more old school that i really don't see it happening in 2017.But overall this book is ok i would give it a 2 out of 5 i feel like it's a ok book but it was really not for me.Maybe just like ruby date is not for him.

Isaac Aguilar says

I loved this book for the reason that it is about friends who are best friends about many things one of the things that I like is that they give words in Spanish

Maria Perez says

This is not really a book, it's a play about a guy named Rudy who is going on a date with a girl who is older than him. Her name is Patricia and she's in eleventh grade. Rudy is nervous about going on a date with Patricia, he thinks there will be nothing to talk about and he will look ridiculous. Patricia on the other hand is kind of exited, she thinks Rudy is cute and nice. My favorite part of the book is when Rudy tells his mom he's going on a date and asks her for money because he doesn't have any and she freaks out and kind of gets jealous of his little boy going on a date. I wouldn't really recommend this book to anyone because I didn't really like it, it was too simple in my opinion but if you like to read plays then you might think its kind of funny.

