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Pinch's Aunt Hasty is staying true to her name. After selling her house before finding a new home, she realizes she doesn't have a place for her couch so she sends it off to Pinch to take care of in the meantime. When movers show up at Pinch's house with this most unwelcome gift, Pinch is outraged. This terrible couch with daring dashes of red doesn't match his blue curtains, plus it won't fit in his cozy house!

Pinch's neighbor, Dash, comes to his friend's rescue. Together they push. They shove. They try to find a place for the couch. Finally, Pinch comes up with a solution that will please both him and Dash.

Readers will enjoy watching the antics of the duo that was first introduced in PINCH AND DASH MAKE SOUP. Simple, yet satisfying, the second offering in this early reader series shows that you don't always have to see eye to eye to build a lasting friendship.

## **Pinch and Dash and the Terrible Couch Details**

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# From Reader Review Pinch and Dash and the Terrible Couch for online ebook

## Jean-Marie says

A fun book for early readers! Also good model for dialogue/using a variety of voices and punctuation/reading with expression.

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## Heather Crawford says

I did like this book. I like how the characters are named after their behaviors. The illustrations are great, kids will love it. I read this with my nephew, who is 7 years old, and he rated it (from his own goodreads account) at 5 stars. He does NOT give away five-stars easily! (or randomly, as I have taught him the thought process of what the stars mean, and to be gracious because the author may see your rating). I'm thinking anyone older than 7, maybe 8, would be bored with this book, but anyone 7/8 and under with a sense of humor, will like, or even love this book.

The reason I'm giving it 3 stars, (which, try to remember, is a good rating, it means I liked it!) is because I had a hard time REALLY liking or loving it, because the boys were insensitive by not thinking about how the aunt would feel when they \*spoiler alert\*.....got rid of the couch. It was a rude thing to do. And I wish the author would have addressed that. Although, it was rude for the aunty to just send it there with no notice, they should have called her and told her no, rather than getting rid of it.

I am grateful that I was able to win this giveaway, I'm sure we will read this book again! (I'll just explain to my nephew that if he ever throws my stuff away he'll live to regret it! :)

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## Barbara says

Although they are good friends, Pinch and Dash are very different. When Pinch's Aunt Hasty has a large red couch delivered to him, he is quite unhappy since it doesn't fit or match his decor. Dash arrives and tries to rearrange the furniture to make it fit, but still Pinch is unhappy because the couch overwhelms the room. After a lemonade break, Pinch finds the solution to his problems right next door. I liked how the friends don't see eye to eye and how they accept each other while seeming comfortable with their own choices and personality. The movers Push and Shove made me laugh with their snarky attitudes, and the pen and ink and watercolor illustrations are quite appealing as well. This would make a great read aloud or an adaptation for a reader's theater.

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## Molly Brougham says

Pinch's aunt delivers a couch to store at his house while she searches for her own house. Dash tries to help Pinch decide where to put it in his house. The pair work through frustration to come up with the perfect solution.

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### **babyhippoface says**

Pinch's home is cozy and snug until his Aunt Hasty sends movers Push and Shove to his house with a delivery: her big, bold-patterned couch to keep for her for a while. Pinch doesn't want the couch. The pattern is too bold. It's too big. It won't fit in his house. He is very annoyed. His friend Dash is much less annoyed and tries to get Pinch to accept the couch happily. Pinch will have none of it. How can he get rid of this awful couch he did not ask for?? Luckily for both Pinch and Dash, a beautiful solution soon becomes obvious.

The story and vocabulary are simple, and Yezerski's illustrations are really cute, but I'm not sure whether young readers will pick up the book or not, when there's Mo Willems around. We will see!

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### **Beyond the Pages says**

This was a super fun read. It had great movement, interesting characters, and humorous interactions. The ending was too cute for words.

I would recommend this book as a read aloud or as a chapter book for an early reader.

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### **Christine says**

A fun read about Pinch and Dash and a horrible couch that Pinch inherits from his Aunt Hasty. Pinch hates this couch that doesn't match and doesn't fit and he finds a creative way to store this monstrous couch.

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### **Juliana Lee says**

Pinch receives a couch he did not order. It came with a note from his aunt who needs him to keep it until she finds a bigger house. The couch is too big. It is too red. And it is uncomfortable. Pinch likes his snug chair better. His friend Dash comes to visit. Dash likes the couch and offers to help him move it so it will fit better in his house. But Dash falls asleep on the couch. Pinch calls the movers to come back and move the couch with the sleeping Dash on it next door to Dash's house.

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### **Shelli says**

This would be an excellent book to share with young readers to teach expression in their reading. Pinch and Dash are two characters that each have their own personalities and reactions that can really come across in the stories delivery. A super fun read that kids will love!

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**Chris Aldrich says**

There's a cleverness to the characters names' and their uses. I quite like the illustrations though the characters themselves are a bit too nebulous.

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**Jnase1 says**

Reminds me of Frog and Toad stories.

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