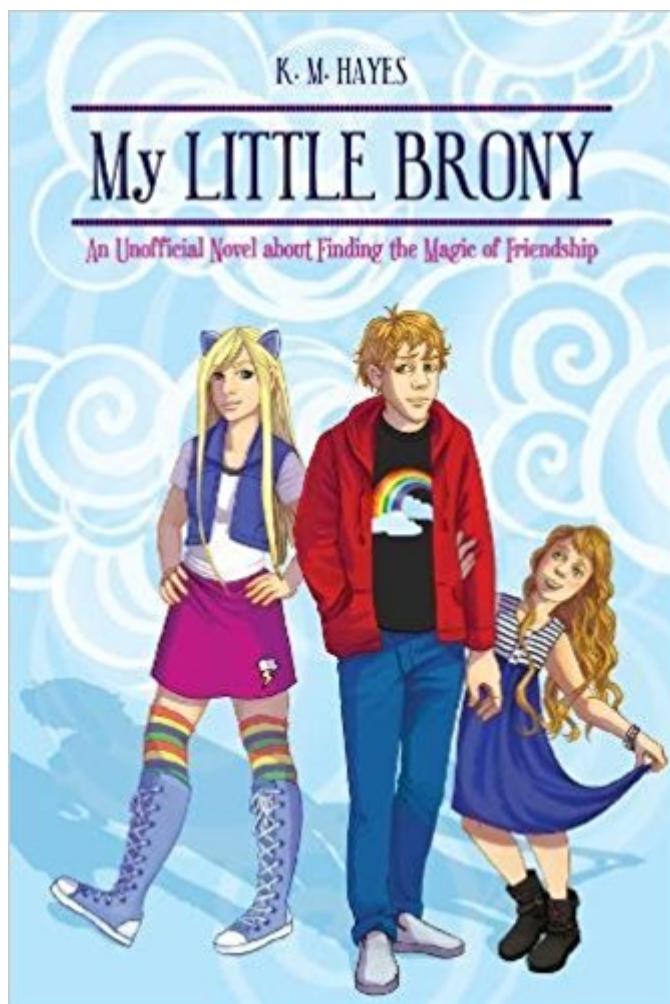


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My Little Brony: An Unofficial Novel About Finding The Magic Of Friendship



Synopsis

Drew Morris doesn't just feel like an outsider in his football-crazed Texas town; he actually is. He sucks at sports, even though his dad is the high school football coach. And his supposed teen growth spurt hasn't yet to be seen, so he's sure his freshman year will be filled with seniors stuffing him in lockers. However, Drew is spared from the bullying he expects. Instead, a girl named Skye, who constantly dons horse ears and talks about My Little Pony, becomes everyone's target. Drew feels bad for her, but he's not about to stand up and take her place. At least not until he discovers what these My Little Ponies are all about. Babysitting his younger sister one night, Drew is forced to watch *My Little Pony: Friendship Is Magic*. Much to his surprise, he finds himself actually paying attention to the show . . . and maybe even wanting to watch another episode after his sister is in bed. As school drags on, lonely and boring, he keeps sneaking episodes on his tablet until he has watched every single one. Not only that, but he's even started drawing the ponies in his spare time. He knows if anyone finds out how much he likes the show, he'll be a dead man walking like Skye. As it becomes harder to keep his secret while he has to watch Skye get bullied for the one thing that has made him happy all year, Drew faces some important choices. Read about Drew's search for friends and self-acceptance in *My Little Brony*. Sky Pony Press, with our Good Books, Racehorse and Arcade imprints, is proud to publish a broad range of books for young readers; picture books for small children, chapter books, books for middle grade readers, and novels for young adults. Our list includes bestsellers for children who love to play Minecraft; stories told with LEGO bricks; books that teach lessons about tolerance, patience, and the environment, and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a *New York Times* bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

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Customer Reviews

As a Brony, K. M. Hayes jumped on the chance to write about characters who share the same passion for My Little Pony. Hayes has always had a deep love for good animation in all forms and believes MLP is one of the best examples of American animation and storytelling. And, of course, watching MLP makes Hayes 20 percent cooler, which can't hurt. Hayes resides in Fremont, California.

Wow, I can't even think of where to start or how to word this to express my joy at the level it is at right now. This book started me off with a smile on my face and ended me with an even bigger one. The overall story and plot line were put together perfectly to create a story that's not only memorable, but also relatable. Thought the story there were several parts where I could picture and remember myself thinking or doing the same as the main protagonist. When a book has the ability to do this, it deepens you into the story, it can make it feel as if you are there and living it. The plot thought the story had the ability to make me feel remorseful, angry, and anxious. At points, I was on the edge of my toes shaking while at others, I was on the verge of crying. The story has MLP references that mix perfect with the plot, some you may not even notice at first. The way K. M. Hayes managed to squeeze them in is just brilliant! Its not overdone or overkill. If you are a fan of the MLP, then the timing and the way they are placed in the story will hit you with relatable emotions, guaranteed. I will say it again because it needs to be repeated, this story was 20% cooler than any other. (Sorry, I had to throw that in somewhere) If not the favorite, this will be one of my favorite books for a long time to come. It has made me feel pride, dignity, and happiness. It opened me to new ideas and possibilities. It was the light at the end of the tunnel. I've never had that feeling come from any book before. One day I hope to have friends like Drew, one day. "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

I just finished this book today, while on my Thanksgiving holiday. I love how real the high school feel was, even though I wasn't bullied myself except for an incident or two. I was more of a nobody, invisible type, and it was DBZ that was my escape back then. MLP:FiM didn't exist yet. I felt deeply for each of the characters. I wanted to know them and be friends with them too! Drew's dad made me so angry. I shed tears when a surprise hero came to Drew's rescue in ch. 27 and again in ch. 34 when Drew and his little sister Holly made a bittersweet MLP reference. It was definitely worth the buy and read!

Omg best Brony book ever , great job

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My child liked it alot!

First I want to congratulate the author in presenting a more subtle and realistic portrayal of high school. Too often Young Adult novels tend to limited redeeming qualities to bullies, while focusing the narrative on the victimized. While these stories can leave the reader rooting for the bullied protagonist, the message can be a little K. M. Hayes did a great job at approaching bullying from several different angles here. In the end this was more of a story about bullying and embracing who you are at a time of your life where self-discovery is just starting to hit high gear. As a Brony parent of two teenage Bronies, I feel that there was a lot of truth here; at least I gather such from the stories my kids tell me, and interacting with fellow fans online. The Brony aspects of My Little Brony are there to serve the story and give the narrative its vehicle, but the author did her research. It is obvious to this reader that the writer is an actual fan, and subtle and not so subtle references to the show and fandom abound. This is really a sweet take on the positive appeal of the show, and how something as simple as a cartoon about brightly colored ponies can actually give direction and meaning to someone who is looking for it. In the end, this is a wonderful and surprisingly thought provoking story about relationships, how history and nuance can impact them, how we are influenced by our environment and past, and are capable of standing up and finding strength and conviction in what we see as a hostile environment. If you are a fan of the show or the fandom, or if you simply love a good bildungsroman ... read this book. You won't regret it. /)

I really liked this book. It is nicely written and easy to read. With great pleasure I read it - and, in my

opinion, every brony should do it. Especially if he has relatives to whom he wished to open, but yet shy. Let this book help him in this. Many thanks to the author of this book! And warm greetings from cold Russia:-)

I was skeptical about this book, to be honest. I figured it would be really cringy, but I figured if it was that would still be entertaining. As it turns out, it was a pretty good read! I really like Skye, she seems like that quirky friend that everyone should meet. Some of the story was a little cliche and felt a little melodramatic. An example is when one character went from "not a bad guy, just has big dreams for his kid" to "1000x worse than Satan with no possible redemption" to "kind of a jerk but willing to make a truce" within such a short time. That felt rushed. Overall a good read with mostly well-written characters, I'll probably read it again and it almost makes me want to be involved with the MLP fandom instead of just enjoying the show.

I LOVE this story about Teens and how they face the realities and challenges that come with being a Teenager while discovering the MAGIC that's found in the World of My Little Pony!!

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