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Seven-year old Harold can't ties his shoes. Never could, never can, never will.

Can the Wimple-Dimple Dimmer-Wimmer get him to change his mind?

BOSTON, MA (July 29 , 2015) -- Harold spots the Wimple-Dimple Dimmer-Wimmer as soon as he walks into the garage of his family's new-for-them house. He thinks that's weird, because he's never seen one before, and plus it's a pretty weirdo name anyway. Nobody else in his family "sees" the Wimple-Dimple Dimmer-Wimmer; they all just see "a pile of junk in the corner."

When Harold walks backwards down the cement path and trips on one of his untied sneaker laces, this hurts not only every place Harold fell on, but Harold himself. He *knows* he should be able to tie his shoes, he *wants* to be able to tie his shoes, but...he can't. Ever. Never.

The Wimple-Dimple Dimmer-Wimmer thinks differently, though. With the start of second grade only two weeks away, will Harold's friendship with the machine that lives in the garage make a difference in Harold's shoelace tying ability?

"To little kids, every thing is new, and almost everything is hard," says author Carolyn Donovan. "Does't matter what the thing is: tying your shoes, spelling 'Mississippi,' riding a bike. They're all hard in the same way: You don't understand what the grownups are telling you to do, you think you'll never 'get it,' and everybody around you seems to be able to do the thing that you can't.

"This book presents that world view from the perspective of a seven-year old, from being worried that the other kids will laugh at him because he can't tie his shoes, to trying to remember that his parents want him to put his dirty dishes in the dishwasher (really, every time?)."

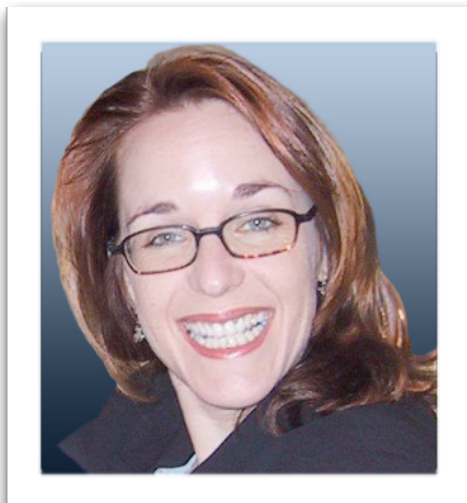
The full-color illustrations (black and white in the paperback version) by Alex Tsuper bring to life all the situations in the story.

Harold and the Wimple-Dimple Dimmer-Wimmer is a read-to-me book. Reading the book to your kids or grandkids creates a great opportunity to share some of your “when I was a kid” stories, which of course always surprises to little kids because they never think that grownups were little kids. It also provides a quiet environment in which a little kid can admit his or her fear about not measuring up, not being able to do what everybody else can do, and being reassured that success will come.

Read the first chapter, and view videos about the book at www.FlummeryAndTrivet.com.

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Carolyn Donovan lives in Boston, a book-happy place if there ever was one, and is not averse to driving two hours to a used bookstore if she thinks there might be something “interesting” to be found on its shelves.

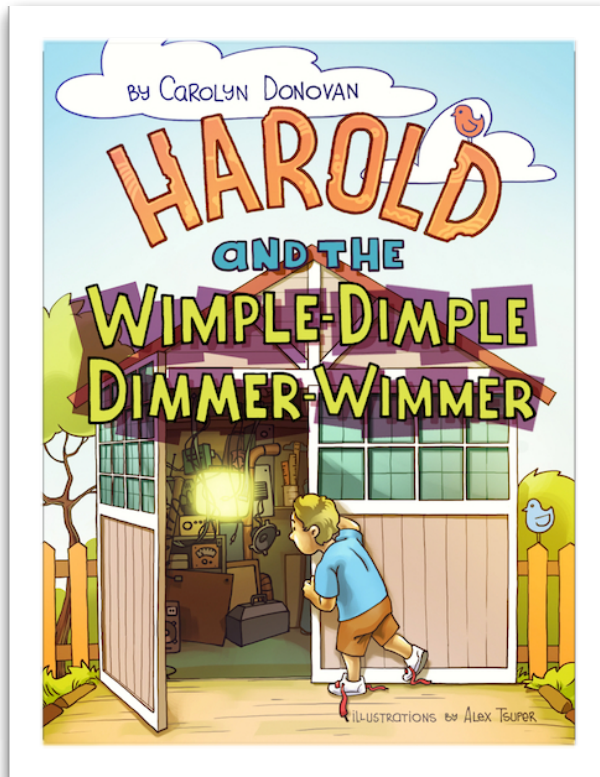
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