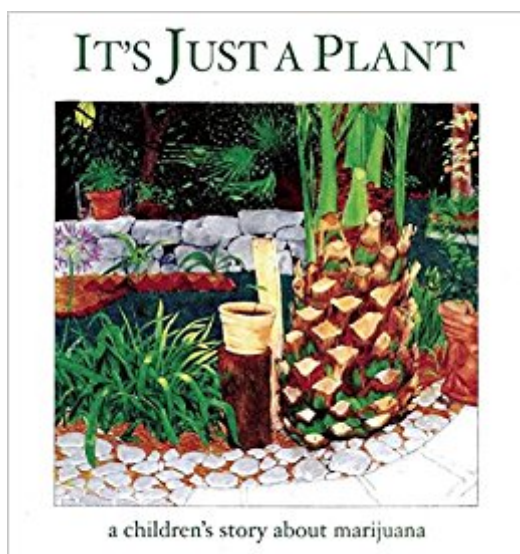


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# It's Just A Plant: A Children's Story About Marijuana



## Synopsis

"A delightful book . . . a glimpse of what enlightened drug education could be."&#151;Andrew Weil, MD" Funny . . . offbeat . . . a riot, with a series of characters explaining the glory of cannabis to a young girl and her mother."&#151;New York Post (3.5 out of 4 stars) It's Just a Plant is an illustrated children's book about marijuana. It follows the journey of a young girl as she learns about the plant from a diverse cast of characters including her parents, a local farmer, a doctor, and a police officer. Marijuana can be hard to talk about. Many parents have tried it, millions still use it, and most feel awkward about disclosing such histories (many duck the question), for fear that telling kids the truth might encourage them to experiment too. Meanwhile, the "drug facts" children learn in school can be more frightening than educational, blaming pot for everything from teenage pregnancy to terrorism. A child's first awareness of drugs should come from a better source. It's Just a Plant is a book for parents who want to discuss the complexities of pot in a thoughtful, fact-oriented manner. NOTE: THIS BOOK DOES NOT ADVOCATE DRUG/MARIJUANA USE.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 1 and up

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## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 3 It would be helpful to have a book explaining who uses the substance and why, possible reactions, responsibilities, and legal implications, but this picture book is not it. Jackie wakes up late at night and finds her parents smoking pot. They give a simple

explanation and promise to talk to her about it the next day, which happens to be Halloween. The awkwardly drawn, full-page art shows Jackie and her mom in odd costumes riding their bikes to see the marijuana farmer, and then to a doctor who explains that some adults use the drug, but that children absolutely should not. When they pass some stores and the child recognizes the now-familiar sweet smell, she sees a group of African-American men smoking. Implausibly, they stop and explain some details about marijuana and hold still when the police arrive. Even more surprising is the officer who explains why the drug is illegal and that people are trying to change the laws; he then lets the young men go with a simple warning.

— Susan Lissim, Dwight School, New York City

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Funny.. offbeat... a riot! -- The New York Post

I highly recommend this little book... It's a jewel. -- Ethan Nadelmann, Executive Director, Drug Policy Alliance

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Fantastic icebreaker book to help educate children. I don't know about other places, but in Colorado, kids hear things and kids have questions.

Fantastic book, the images and story are great. Don't let the media fool you this is in no way promoting, it's educating. Great for adults as well as kids. My niece is going to love it

Great book! Beautiful artwork helps convey an important message. My kids loved it & I found it an easy way to help start the conversation of cannabis education.

I am in love with this children's book and would recommend it to absolutely anyone! Very on point. I love that they show the different views and perspectives from other people. Doesn't leave your child asking questions and fills them with much knowledge that isn't being taught today.

Totally worked, needed something to help me explain herb to my kids. When it's written in a book this way, it's easier for them to believe and understand!!

It really is just a plant and our kids ought to know the truth. if you smoke weed for whatever reason

and have kids consider this book or at least reiterate its message. If even if you don't have kids read it and give it to someone who does. Truth

Love this book. Originally bought one for my first grandbaby. Then I went and bought a whole bunch more to give as baby shower gifts or other times I may need a gift for a child.

Great for breaking the ice on this subject

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