

# THE ALDO ZELNICK COMIC NOVEL SERIES

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WHAT'S THE SCUTTLEBUTT?



"I've been waiting for a series to come along that could knock *Wimpy Kid* off its pedestal as the most popular series in my library. Well, this may be it: the *Aldo Zelnick Comic Novels*. This is an action-packed alphabet series with laugh-out-loud, smart, fast-moving stories. The slapstick comic illustrations provide spot-on kid humor."

— Donna Dannenmiller, Teacher-Librarian, Lincoln Elementary, Olympia, Washington

**"(Cahoots) will appeal to kids not yet ready for the middle-school life portrayed in Jeff Kinney's *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series (Abrams) but who have aged out of the irreverent potty humor of Dav Pilkey's *Captain Underpants* series (Scholastic)."**

— Kathleen Meulen Ellison in *School Library Journal*

"Aldo's voice rings true from every page. The drawings are hilarious and enhance the text with visual humor that make Aldo's personality pop right off the page. I'm predicting this series will be very big."

— Rebecca McGregor, librarian and curator of PictureLiteracy.com

**"The Aldo Zelnick books are edgy without being snarky, educational without being pedantic or heavy-handed, and full of celebratory humor and visual jokes."**

— Peggy Durbin, Otowi Station Bookstore, Los Alamos, New Mexico

**"Creative, quick, unique and full of great illustrations. Aldo, Jack, and Bee are always getting into crazy situations, and it's a blast to read about them."**

— Maya McQueen, YA Books Central

**"This terrific series will be enjoyed by all readers and constantly in demand. Highly recommended."**

— Julie Hitt, Timberland Regional Library, Westport, Washington

"Every library that serves *Wimpy Kid* fans (which, honestly, is every library, period) should have the *Aldo Zelnick* series on its shelves."

— Katie Ahearn, children's librarian Tenley-Friendship public library, Washington, DC

**"I absolutely adore this series. Aldo is hilarious but absolutely real, a kid you could almost imagine walking through your front door at any minute."**

— Danielle Smith, mom and children's book blogger

"(Aldo) is an endearing narrator. His deadpan sense of humor is enjoyable even for adults. The illustrations are well-matched to the writing style: clever and well-done but retaining a childish simplicity. Each book is a fast-paced, enjoyable read, perfect for the kid (or parent) looking for a transition from comics to chapter books."

— Sarah, children's buyer, Left Bank Books, St. Louis, Missouri (Aldo Zelnick Series: Best for Reluctant Readers, Holiday 2011 pick)

**"The Aldo Zelnick books keep getting better and better."**

— Mary Lee Han, teacher and book reviewer

*"A must for your elementary school reader."*

— Christy, Reader's Cove bookstore

"In the wake of *Wimpy Kid* and *Amelia's Notebooks* comes Aldo Zelnick. Oceanak has created a funny and lively hero."

— *Library Media Connection*

**"We recommend A is for Aldo!"**

— Oak Park Public Library

"My son devoured the *Wimpy Kid* books but said he likes the Aldo Zelnick books better because they're funnier. I like them better because they make kids think."

— Katie Maguire, mom

**"A funny *Wimpy Kid* readalike."**

— Scholastic.com

*"A fun series my students adore."*

— Katherine Sokolowski, 5th grade teacher



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