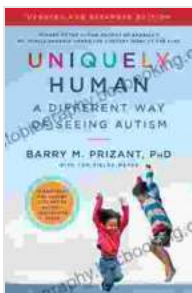


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## **What is Autism?**

Autism is a spectrum disorder that affects a person's ability to communicate, interact with others, and process sensory information. It is estimated that 1 in 54 children in the United States has autism.

Autism is caused by a combination of genetic and environmental factors. There is no single gene that causes autism, but researchers have identified a number of genes that are linked to the disorder.

The symptoms of autism can vary widely from person to person. Some of the most common symptoms include:

- Difficulty with communication
- Difficulty with social interaction
- Repetitive behaviors
- Sensory sensitivities
- Intellectual disability

Autism is a lifelong condition, but there are a number of treatments that can help to improve the symptoms. These treatments include speech therapy,

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## **The Strengths of Autism**

Autistic people have a number of unique strengths and abilities. These strengths include:

- Enhanced attention to detail

- Strong memory
- Ability to think creatively
- Strong visual-spatial skills
- Empathy

These strengths can be a valuable asset in a variety of fields, including science, technology, art, and music. Autistic people have made significant contributions to society in all of these areas.

### **The Challenges of Autism**

Autism can also present a number of challenges. These challenges include:

- Difficulty with communication
- Difficulty with social interaction
- Repetitive behaviors
- Sensory sensitivities
- Intellectual disability

These challenges can make it difficult for autistic people to live independently and participate fully in society. However, there are a number of supports and services available to help autistic people overcome these challenges.

Autism is a complex condition that can affect a person's ability to communicate, interact with others, and process sensory information.

However, it is important to remember that autistic people are not broken or sick, they are simply different.

Autistic people have unique strengths and abilities that should be celebrated, not suppressed. With the right support and services, autistic people can live full and productive lives.

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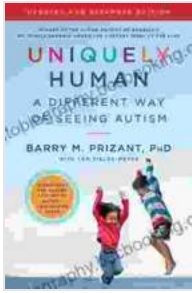


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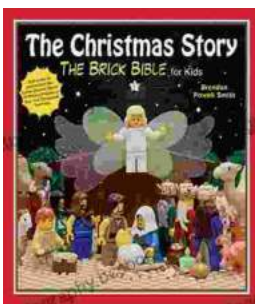


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