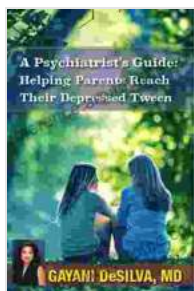


# A Parent's Guide to Helping Depressed Tweens

Depression is a serious mental health condition that can affect anyone, regardless of age. Tweens, who are between the ages of 10 and 12, are particularly vulnerable to depression. This is due to a number of factors, including the hormonal changes that occur during puberty, the increased academic and social pressures that tweens face, and the challenges of navigating the transition from childhood to adolescence.



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Depression can manifest itself in a variety of ways in tweens. Some common symptoms include:

- Sadness or irritability
- Loss of interest in activities that were once enjoyable
- Changes in appetite or sleep patterns

- Difficulty concentrating or making decisions
- Fatigue or low energy
- Feelings of worthlessness or guilt
- Thoughts of self-harm or suicide

If you think your tween may be depressed, it is important to seek professional help immediately. A mental health professional can diagnose your child and recommend the best course of treatment.

In addition to seeking professional help, there are a number of things you can do as a parent to help your depressed tween. These include:

- **Talk to your child.** Let them know that you are there for them and that you want to help. Listen to what they have to say and try to understand their perspective.
- **Educate yourself about depression.** The more you know about depression, the better equipped you will be to help your child.
- **Create a supportive home environment.** Make sure your child feels loved and accepted. Let them know that they are not alone and that you will always be there for them.
- **Encourage your child to participate in activities that they enjoy.** This will help them feel better about themselves and give them a sense of purpose.
- **Set limits and boundaries.** This will help your child feel safe and secure.

- **Take care of yourself.** It is important to take care of your own mental health when you are parenting a depressed child.

Depression is a challenging condition, but it is one that can be overcome with the right help and support. If you are a parent of a depressed tween, know that you are not alone. There are many resources available to help you and your child.

## **Recommended Resources**

- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK
- The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): 1-800-950-NAMI
- The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention: 1-800-273-8255

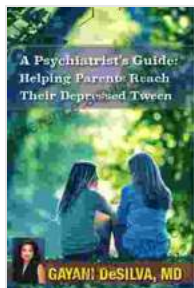
## **Book Review**

Helping Parents Reach Their Depressed Tween is an essential guide for parents of tweens who are struggling with depression. This book provides parents with the tools and resources they need to understand their child's depression and help them get the help they need.

The book is written by Dr. Gregory K. Fritz, a clinical psychologist who has over 20 years of experience working with children and adolescents. Dr. Fritz provides parents with a comprehensive overview of depression, including its causes, symptoms, and treatment options.

The book also includes a number of helpful tips and strategies for parents, such as how to talk to their child about depression, how to create a supportive home environment, and how to set limits and boundaries.

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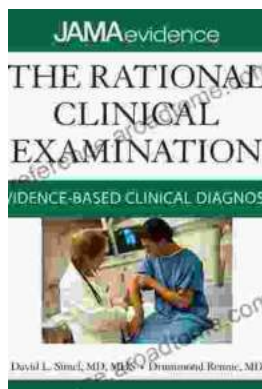
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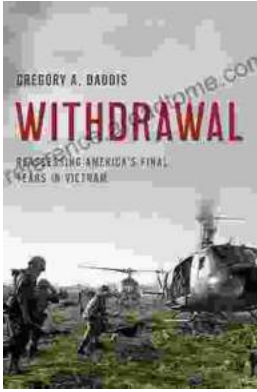
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