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Description:

"Don't jump on your bed!" "Don't bite your nails!" Parents sure seem to have a lot of rules. To make matters worse, the reasons behind the rules often don't seem to make any sense. Could there be other, *secret* purposes behind these perpetual parental pleadings? Such is the premise of David Wisniewski's *The Secret Knowledge of Grown-Ups*, which has the look of a top secret, classified folder. A radical departure from his Caldecott Award-winning *Golem*, this book is pure wackiness. Inside, kids will find the "real" reasons behind their parents' rules. And, as Wisniewski reveals, grown-ups have more information than they let on--information pertaining to national security--that makes these admonitions essential.

Wisniewski's illustrations are bright paper cut-outs, featuring crumpled, torn "Security Clearance Required" documents that look freshly pilfered from a government dumpster. Although the conspiracy theories may be over a few young readers' heads, many kids will love the sense of getting

an inside scoop. Suspicious youngsters will be delighted to find out, for example, that when parents tell you to eat your vegetables, it's actually to prevent vegetables from regaining world domination. Parents may roll their eyes and say, "Nonsense," but then again, they would say that, wouldn't they? (*Ages 6 to 10*) --This text refers to the edition.

From Publishers Weekly Wisniewski spoofs conspiracy theories in this "confidential volume," revealing why grown-ups tell children to eat their vegetables and drink milk. "The engagingly silly formula repeats throughout, and the text and the art are consistent in their over-the-top humor and sure execution," said PW. Ages 7-up.

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