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“A *User's Guide to Neglectful Parenting* is a funny and truthful book about being a parent.” *Boing Boing*

“You don't have to be a parent to enjoy Guy Delisle's whimsical graphic novel.” *NOW Toronto*

“A *User's Guide*...shares with [Delisle's] previous work a keen appreciation for the clash of cultures; this time, however, the cultures in question are those of adults and children, and the damage that ensues is played for a rueful laugh.” *NPR*

About the Author

Guy Delisle spent a decade working in animation in Europe and Asia. His 2012 book, *Jerusalem: Chronicles from the Holy City*, won the highest prize in European cartooning, the Fauve d'Or, at the Angoulême International Comics Festival. He lives in the south of France with his wife and children.

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