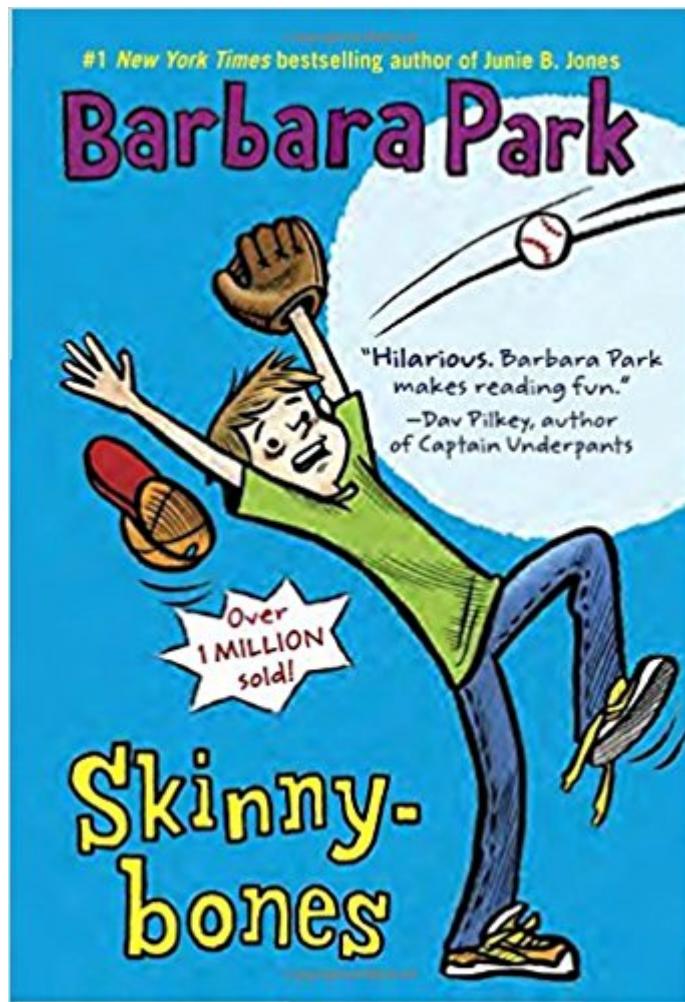


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# Skinnybones



## **Synopsis**

If you thought Junie B. Jones was FUNNYâ "catch more laughs from New York Times bestselling author Barbara Park with Skinnybones! Just right for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid and I Funny, Skinnybones has been a kid and teacher favorite for almost thirty years and has sold over 1 MILLION copies! Â Play ball??? Alex Frankovitch is the smallest, second-worst kid on his team. But he has a MAJOR-LEAGUE-sized mouth. And it gets him into MAJOR-LEAGUE trouble! Even Alex knows heâ ™s gone too far when he brags his way into a pitching contest with T.J. Stoner, the best playerâ "and BIGGEST jerkâ "in the whole school (and maybe the whole world!). Can Alex talk his way out this mess? Or is he in for the GRAND SLAM of all humiliations? Find out in the award-winning, laugh-out-loud novel from the New York Times bestselling author of Junie B. Jones! Â œPark is one of the funniest writers around. Skinnybones equals tickled funnybones.â • â "Booklist Â œHilarious! Even if you donâ ™t know center field from first base this story will keep you laughing.â • â "Childrenâ ™s Book Review Service Â œPark writesâ |in a way that touches reality, but makes the reader double over with laughter.â • â "Chicago Sun-Times

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## **Customer Reviews**

Two comic novels portray the struggles of middle-grade boys trying to fit in. Ages 8-12. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of

this title.

"Barbara Park is one of the funniest writers around"-Booklist

This book is humorous, but the humor arises because the protagonist (Alex) is a troublemaker. He enjoys causing mayhem, *shaking things up*. And his sarcasm beats most I've ever heard or had to endure. I'm not sure what this says about (me!) or the thousands of kids who think it's side-splitting funny. Its humor also revolves around a lot of bullying. But a lot of kids can identify with Alex who is small in stature and bullied a lot. The things he comes up with on the spot can make a person choke (funny) On the first day of school, he was bored with the way the introductions were going, so with permission, he decided to liven it up, *Okay. I'm Alex Frankovitch.* I said. I brought a sandwich for lunch today. And I'd just like everyone to know that my bologna has a first name *it's O-s-c-a-r.* Snort funny! But in real life, not so much. Anyway, I think it would be a great read a-loud book in a classroom, where the teacher can assume voices for the characters!

Finding this classic tale of boy meets nemesis meets baseball meets comedy genius so many years after my original reading in elementary school has been a real treat. Just as hilarious over twenty years later.

I think that this book is very relatable in many ways, this book could really teach kids that they are more than they think they are

Came in great condition and the kids are loving it. I read it to my daughters and now they are reading it to their children. Local libraries do not carry it any more.

One of the better children's book for boys 8-12 from the 70's and 80's, before helicopter parenting and smart phones and realistic video games. Easy to read, and funny, but with situations most can relate to.

My 11-year old said it was a good one! He could read something more challenging, but he really enjoyed this!

(Written by my 8 year old:) Alex is a kid that is not very strong. Tj is the best pitcher in little league baseball and is a bully. (Written by me:) this is a cute story, very appropriate for 3rd grade. My son and I laughed out loud several times. Well written.

This was a great bedtime read for me and my six-year-old son. It made me laugh out loud; my son really enjoyed it too.

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