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This review is from: [Cliques, Hicks, and Ugly Sticks \(The Confessions of April Grace\) \(Paperback\)](#)

April Grace Reilly is a spitfire. She is funny, speaks her mind, has strong opinions and loves her family fiercely. If the great name of this book, Cliques, Hicks and Ugly Sticks: Confessions of April Grace, isn't enough to grab your attention, then this red-headed girl from Arkansas is sure to draw you in.

In the second book of the Confessions of April Grace series, April Grace finds herself starting Jr. High school and seeing changes in her friends that she does not like. On top of this, she is also dealing with her mom not feeling well due to the new baby on its way and having to help the snooty Isabel St James put on the church Christmas play.

If you are looking for good, clean, funny, engaging books for girls from the fourth grade to the eight grade, I highly recommend the April Grace series written by K. D. McCrite. When I first looked at the book I thought to myself that it seemed pretty long for that age group but McCrite does a wonderful job of weaving an engaging story that has you rooting for April Grace.

***Tommy Nelson publishing provided me with a copy of this book free of charge in exchange for an honest and fair review.

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