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Moving Day (Allie Finkle's Rules For Girls, Book 1)



Synopsis

#1 New York Times bestselling author Meg Cabot's middle grade debut -- now in paperback! When nine-year-old Allie Finkle's parents announce that they are moving her and her brothers from their suburban split-level into an ancient Victorian in town, Allie's sure her life is over. She's not at all happy about having to give up her pretty pink wall-to-wall carpeting for creaky floorboards and creepy secret passageways-not to mention leaving her modern, state-of-the-art suburban school for a rundown, old-fashioned school just two blocks from her new house.

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Customer Reviews

Never be a catcher when Brittany Hauser is up to bat, you can't let your guests starve, and don't stick a spatula down you best friend's throat are three out of the many rules from the book Allie Finkle's Rules For Girls. Allie Finkle is a spunky nine-year old girl who collects geodes, writes rules, and loves animals. Her life is going pretty well until her parents drop the big news on her. She's moving! Even with the promise from her parents to get a new kitten and there is neighbors with a nice girl her age she is still not convinced. But one thing she is convinced about is that there is a zombie hand living in her new houses attic. Once her parents tell her she is moving her life starts going down hill. Her so called "best friend" Mary Kay is no longer her best friend and when Brittany

Hauser tries to get them to be friends again she ends up making it even worse than it already is. Will Allie ever be happy? Will she actually move into the "haunted house"? My favorite part of the book is when Allie saves a turtle at the Lung Chung restaurant from being made into turtle soup. Allie hides in the back of a car while people including the staff at the Lung Chung restaurant and her own family runs around looking for her. I like that part the best because I love animals and if I were Allie I would probably do the same thing. Also because it was really funny. There is only one part in the book that I didn't like. It was when Brittany played lady business executive and shoved her mother's fancy show cat into a suitcase and ran around while swinging it. Some of the characters from this book are: Brittany Hauser- a spoiled brat that abuses animals and throws bats. Mary Kay Shiner- Allie's "best friend" that cries when things don't go her way.

Don't stick a spatula down your best friend's throat. You also can't let your guests starve. Those are two of the rules featured in Meg Cabot's wonderful book, *Allie Finkle's Rules for Girls: Moving Day*. This book is about a fourth grade girl named Allie Finkle, who just found out she might be moving into a creepy looking, old fashioned, Victorian house that could be haunted. Who would want to live in a haunted house? Allie is positive that her parents are making the biggest mistake of their lives. Just to move into a house like that is enough. Allie also has to give up her geode collection and be a new kid at a school that looks as old as the house. But is moving worth getting an adorable kitten, living right across the street from Dairy Queen, and possibly getting a non-crying best friend? Will Allie Finkle make the move? I enjoyed every part of this book, but my favorite part was when Allie "accidentally" started a food fight. How Allie made this huge mess, was by shoving a cupcake in bat thrower, Brittany Hauser's, face. But the class took this the wrong way and everybody started throwing cupcakes. I really liked this part because it was unexpected and it was one of the many laugh out loud parts in this book. From secret telling Scott Stamphley all the way to cry baby Mary Kay, all the characters in Meg Cabot's book came alive. For example, the main character Allie Finkle is outgoing, loves animals, is funny, and ALWAYS keeps the book interesting. She also makes hilarious schemes throughout the book to do stuff like rescue turtles. She makes the book so much fun to read. One part of the book that made me laugh was when Allie rescued the turtle at the Lung Chung restaurant.

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