

A Bad Day Fishing

By Paige Hulseley

Based on many true stories, *A Bad Day Fishing* is the tale of an adventurous young boy and his pup who set off for a day of fishing but are met with an afternoon of trouble, including broken equipment, dangerous weather, and their own bad luck. Still, the boy perseveres and, in the end, learns even a bad day can be good when it's spent fishing. Follow along as the duo experience the anticipation, frustration, and eventual triumph of a big day outdoors.

Story Themes

- **Get Outside:** The best adventures happen outdoors.
- **Social Emotional Learning:** It is ok to have a bad day. Instead of shielding children from problems, let's encourage them to learn how to problem-solve.
- **Character Traits:** Perseverance and independence are important skills to instill at a young age.



About the Author



Paige Hulseley is a storyteller based in St. Louis, MO.

Paige grew up in the Sullivan area and attended St. Anthony Grade School and graduated from St. Francis Borgia High School. Paige, her husband, and their two sons enjoy fishing on their small farm in Spring Bluff. Paige is also a storyteller on TV, reporting for a local news station and highlighting activities for kids on its lifestyle show.

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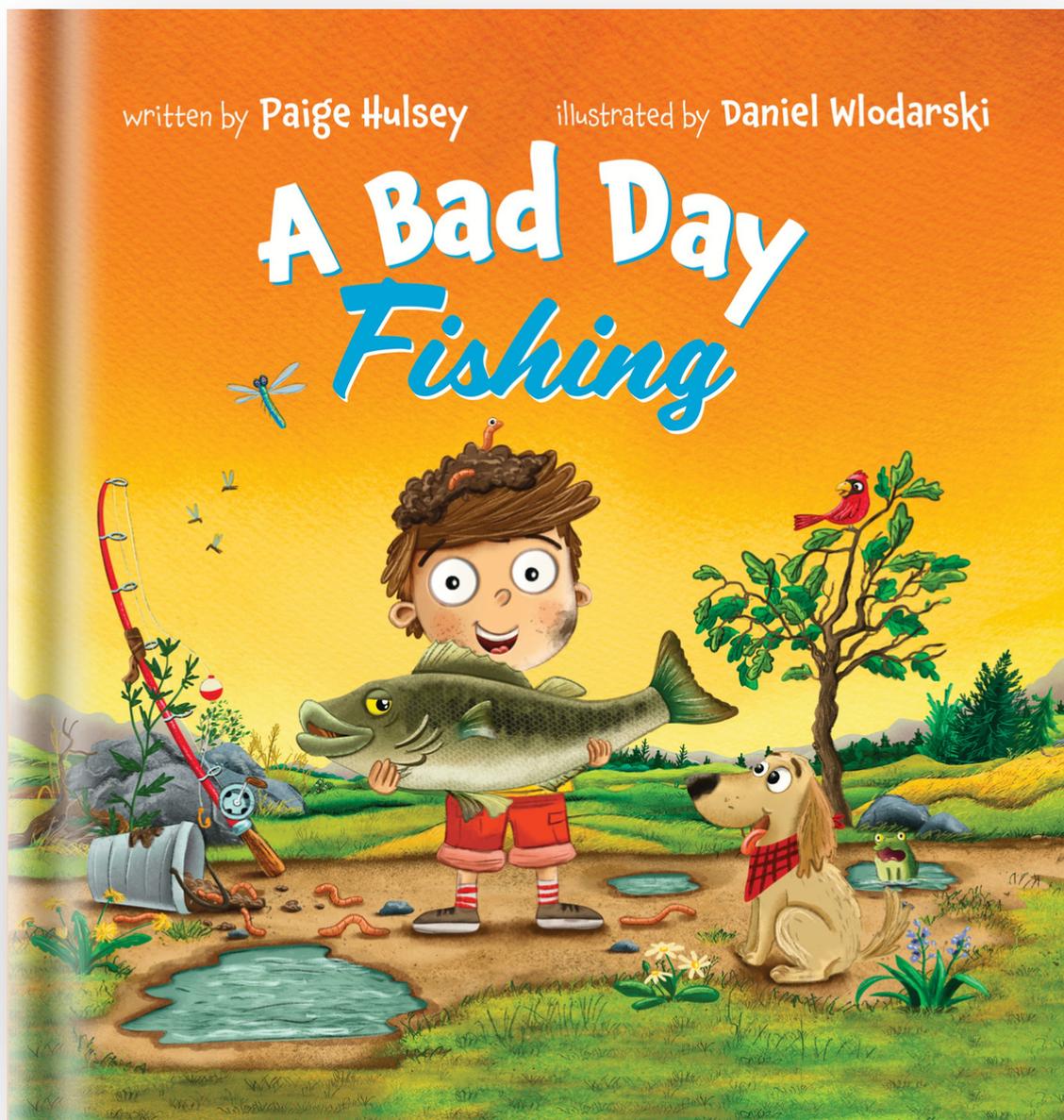
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A STORY ABOUT NOT GIVING UP



**BY LOCAL AUTHOR
PAIGE HULSEY**

WHAT READERS ARE SAYING



Reader Review

"A Bad Day Fishing is a fun and lovely reminder that sometimes tough days end up being the best days - especially when you're in the great outdoors! It's also a great reminder to kids to get outside, and encourages them to be self-reliant and determined. The illustrations are SO DETAILED! Kids will notice something new every time they read. A fun, fishy read!"

-- Chelsea Tornetto,
Author of *Gardens Are for Growing* and
God Made You Too



Reader Review

"A Bad Day Fishing is a wonderful lesson in never giving up. Throughout their fishing journey Jack and his best friend Bud encounter multiple setbacks, but they persevere and ultimately have a great day. Jack's mindset of never giving up demonstrates that how you respond to setbacks can determine your success; a lesson important for both adults and children to learn. As a pediatrician and mother to 3 boys and 3 rescue dogs, I give this book a TEN out of TEN and highly recommend that it become a regular bedtime read for all families."

-- Dr. Lindsay D. Clukies,
Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician



Reader Review

"As a therapist, I'm always on the lookout for children's books that harness the power of growth mindset. *A Bad Day Fishing* is exactly that book! What a lovely story to read with your kids about overcoming obstacles, being flexible, and the power of "yet." Kids will love the rhythm and rhyme of the text and the colorful artwork. Parents will love the message: Never give up. No matter how bad the day might seem, you just haven't caught a fish...yet!"

-- Stacy McCann, MSW, LCSW, LBA
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Reader Review

"What a beautiful story of determination!
A Bad Day Fishing introduces children to the tools and the language associated with fishing. The vibrant illustrations, captivating plot, and rhythmical flow are sure to quickly engage any child!"

-- Breanna Churchill, Educator/ Author,
Founder of "The Brown Bear Book Club"

