

Sofa Boy





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Book Review

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A young boy would sit on his couch all day intensely playing video games until his trigger thumb turned blue. He was warned that if he stayed in one spot for a long time, he would end up being like a plant in a pot. Though his mother kept reminding him of the house rules, the boy just lay there without listening to her. After months of reclining on the sofa, he realized the couch was filthy and smelled like rotten eggs. The boy found that his arms and legs were engulfed by the sofa and his hair had grown roots on the backrest. The boy finally surrendered to his fate and while he lay there, bounded and rooted, his mother took care of him. The boy wished to have his fun after learning his lesson but his binding to the sofa could not be undone.

Sofa Boy by Scott Langteau is a wonderful story that teaches readers about doing things in moderation and it is for readers of all age groups so that they know to be attentive to the basic needs of life. Rion Vernon's illustrations are magical and give clarity to the author's words, bringing the story and the characters to life. The boy's story is a good lesson for readers to stop lounging on their couches without any activity all day, ignoring their daily chores. It is a good story for parents and tutors to read out loud to help youngsters understand the importance of doing their daily chores and activities so that they can avoid end up being like the Sofa Boy. The approach to the topic is refreshing, original, and interesting and makes the concept clear to young readers in an entertaining way.