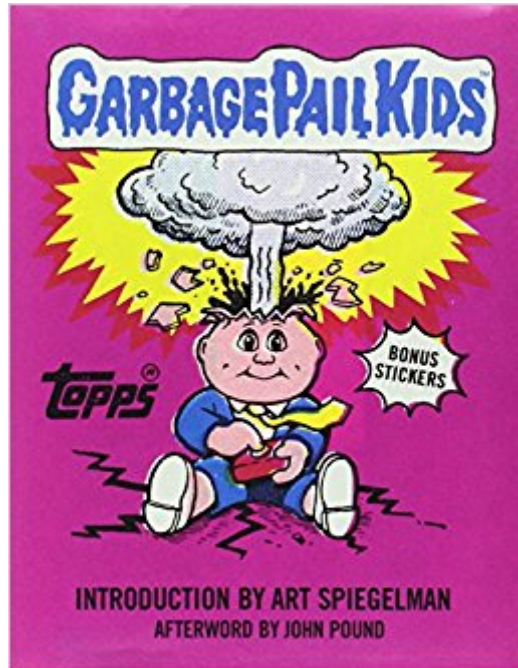




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Garbage Pail Kids (Topps)



Synopsis

Garbage Pail Kids® "a series of collectible stickers produced by Topps in the 1980s" combined spectacular artwork and over-the-top satire. The result was an inspired collaboration between avant-garde cartoonists and humorists including Art Spiegelman, Mark Newgarden, John Pound, Tom Bunk, and Jay Lynch. A new generation of fans continues to embrace this pop-culture phenomenon as Garbage Pail Kids stickers are still being published. Now, for the first time, all 206 rare and hard-to-find images from Series 1 through 5 are collected in an innovative package, along with a special set of four limited-edition, previously unreleased bonus stickers. This exciting follow up to Wacky Packages is guaranteed to appeal to die-hard collectors as well as a new generation of fans. Praise for Garbage Pail Kids: "If you ask me, reliving my time with Bad Breath Seth and Potty Scotty is worth the cover price alone." —USAToday.com "I worried that [the Garbage Pail Kids] might seem too time-bound for their own good; but if anything, 27 years later, they're more poignant. Maybe it's because I'm a worried, concerned adult, but more likely it's because nothing is ever as funny as it is when you're ten years old" and everything is a lot scarier." —CapitalNewYork.com "The book is a wonderfully designed tribute to these shit-disturbing cards in all their graphic, full-color glory." —ComicsBeat.com "There's a lot of interesting stuff in Spiegelman's intro, and in the afterward by John Pound, the artist who originated and drew the bulk of the Kids. But the real reason to buy this book is for the graphic brilliance of the art itself" —Boston Phoenix

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Customer Reviews

The Topps Company, Inc., founded in 1938, is the preeminent creator and brand marketer of sports cards, entertainment products, and distinctive confectionery. Art Spiegelman is an American comics writer, artist, and editor best known for his Pulitzer Prize-winning graphic novel memoir, *Maus*.

As a childhood GPK fan, this is a solid and extremely enjoyable release! The artwork is crystal clear and the colors really pop. The only thing missing is the artwork from each card's back, and it's a real shame it's not been included. Perhaps Topps can release a GPK Card Trader app (like their incredible STAR WARS release) in which the fronts and backs of each card can be viewed. Here's to hoping this book is a hit for them and future volumes can be released.

I have been collecting GPK cards since I was 11 (I'm 43 now), I have over 1,000 not counting duplicates. I have the first 3 original series complete. This book is excellent. I can show my son these wonderful cards without risking damage to my collection. The pages are high quality glossy paper. On the bottom of each page it shows you the alternate names for each card the (B) cards. There is an index in the back. To top it all off, you get 4 limited edition cards with the book. If you love GPK cards, this book is a must!

Great book, the art from my childhood is now iconic, like 60's pop culture art was from that era. Truth be told, the art for GPKs was heavily inspired by 60s Topps monster issues. It's a blast to thumb through the book and see all the hilarious GPKs. You also get some free GPK cards with the book as noted in other reviews. If you're an 80's kid, this is essential.

If you love GPKs, this book is invaluable. There is a great forward by Art Spiegelman about the creation of the cards, and an afterward from primary artist John Pound about creating the paintings. We love going through and looking at each crisp painting. These are slightly larger than the cards were, so you're getting a better look at the detail. I also have the Topps Mars Attacks book, which features little notes and trivia on each page about the history of the illustration, this GPK book does not have those on each page. But still great.

I have fond memories of the 80's. So many toys in the early 80's, secret wars, super powers, Star

Wars, g.i. Joe, transformers, voltron, thundercats, he-man, ect. One of the long forgotten collectibles of the 80's were these cards, the garbage pail kids. I remember my mom getting me pack for a quarter, chewing that hard pink bubble gum stick that came in the pack, and putting together and album in number order of all the gross boys and girls that were offered up in this set. That was almost thirty years ago. When I saw this book I had to have it and take a walk down memory lane with the garbage pail kids. If you grew up collecting these, make room on your e-reader, ipad, tablet whatever and do yourself a favor and download this book. You won't be disappointed. You're guaranteed to break out in laughter and you can show the younger generation what real entertainment was before we had a World Wide Web and Nintendo 3ds in our hands.

This excellent little book covers the original Garbage Pail Kids, Series 1-5 (1985-1986). Each page depicts a separate card; the card backs are not depicted. There is a nice forward written by Art Spiegelman who created the franchise. I highly recommend this for anyone who was a kid in the mid-80s and may feel nostalgic for that time, or a collector who may want to use it as a reference guide. I bought a few of these to give as gifts, and one (1) for myself. It's very cleverly put together and a GREAT value at \$14.

I love this book!! So nostalgic in nature. It took me back in time to a more youthful time in my life. I loved GPK cards as a kid and when I found out recently they still made them, I got bit by the bug again. I now own all the complete life work Garbage Pail Kids sticker card from OS1-15, ANS1-7, FB1-3 & BNS1 at the writing of this review on 12-18-12. A must buy coffee table book for anyone wanting a conversation starter piece or for anyone at all interested in Garbage Pail Kids. This book has a short intro, then a handful of pages of background and then finally the rest of the book is a blown up picture of the first few series of cards, one on each page with the A/B alternate. Very informative and a good reference manual for the GPK collector or novice collector barely getting into collecting GPK cards. Good Luck!!

If you missed out on the cards, can't afford the originals or hard of seeing, I recommend this collection of the first few series of Garbage Pail Kids reprinted in a larger format. I would have liked more behind-the-scenes information about the series (and, maybe there isn't that much to say), but the packaging is very much worth it and kinda takes you back to the days you could pick up a wax-pack of GPK with a stick of Pepto Bismal flavored gum. Would like a second volume, most definitely.

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