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# Ginger Mancino, KID COMEDIAN

## MIDDLE SCHOOL IS NO LAUGHING MATTER!

At 12 years old, professional comedian Ginger Mancino has drawn laughs on stages across the country and even performed on the most popular late night comedy show. But when she's forced to retire from comedy and live a regular life for the first time, she discovers her toughest audience yet: middle school.

**"Funny, heartwarming and adorable! Ginger's story will resonate with funny kids everywhere."**

—Jenny Lawson, author of #1 New York Times bestsellers *Furiously Happy* and *Let's Pretend This Never Happened*

**"Ginger Mancino is funny and real, and the timelessness of her emotions makes them relatable to anyone who has ever attended middle school."**

—Meredith Walker, co-founder and executive director of Amy Poehler's Smart Girls

**"Equal parts witty and awkward, Ginger Mancino is a comic hero for the ages...a funny, joyful story that provides a laugh and a heart tug on every page."**

—Shari Simpson, author of *Sam Saves the Night* and the upcoming Disney Books series, *The Sugar Rush Racers*

**"A hilarious and deeply touching story for anyone who has ever felt different. Ginger Mancino is a tenacious force and reminds us all that you don't have to conform to shine your light...a legit hit!"**

—Melissa Savage, author of *Lemons* and *Karma Moon*—*Ghost Hunter*

**"Comedy is hard, but so is growing up. Ginger's determination to master both makes for a compelling, heartfelt, and hilarious read!"**

—Jennifer Ziegler, author of *The Brewster Triplets* series and *Worser*

**"Ginger's hilarious comedy routines, self-deprecating candor, and generous heart left me convulsed in giggles but also enriched by the genuine wisdom to be found in the search for laughter."**

—Claudia Mills, author of *The Lost Language* and *Write This Down*