



Living with Jonathan: Lessons in Love, Life and Autism

By Sheila Barton

Watkins Media. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Living with Jonathan: Lessons in Love, Life and Autism, Sheila Barton, Sheila Barton's memoir of autism is inspiring. Finding herself, at thirty years old, with a son with autism and severe learning disabilities, she set about learning how to live a different kind of life and be a different kind of mother. This is the story, told with passion, intelligence and humour, of their journey from darkness into light. It is written out of anguish and anger, but also out of hope and love. The book opens and closes with a real-life snapshot: the first from when Jonathan was nine, the second from when he was twenty-three. The first is told from the edge of despair. The second is upbeat - the day is one of happiness for Jonny and for his mother. Autism has been integrated into their world - they have survived it. The chapters in between tell the amazing story of their life together and how they dealt with diagnosis, birth, school, brothers and sisters, travel, therapies, obsessions, grief and sex. Sheila writes movingly of the heartbreak and the joy, the terror and the liberation. Her son is now...

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