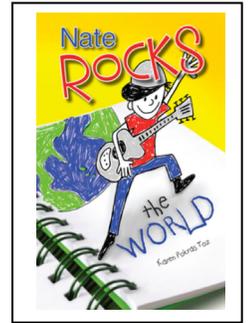


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**Local Author's Nate Rocks Book Series  
Grips Kids' Imagination, Makes Reading Fun**



**Elkins Park, PA** – Do you have or know of a reluctant reader who'd rather be playing the latest DS or Wii game? **Nate Rocks** to the rescue!

Geared to active boys (but enjoyed by many girls, too!) who have fast-paced minds filled with superheroes and sports, **Nate Rocks the World** is the first book in a series of 3 from local author Karen Pokras Toz.

"As a mom of three children, it was important to me that my own kids love to read and appreciate books as much as I did. I decided to write this book in hopes of making reading fun for kids, while inspiring them to have confidence in themselves," said Author Pokras Toz

*Nate Rocks the World* (ISBN #978-0984860807, \$7.99 paperback -- and also available for Kindle and other digital readers) is perfect for the elementary school set just beginning to enjoy reading chapter books – kids aged 8 to 11.

Our "hero" is 10-year-old Nathan Rockledge – aka "Nate Rocks," who loves sports and doodling cartoons. The book tells vivid stories of the active 4<sup>th</sup> grader's adventures – some real and some imagined -- with his best friend Tommy, his older sister, Abby, who's a pain, a dad stuck in the past, and a mom whose best "home-cooked" meal is takeout food.

The 140-page book has garnered some impressive reviews, including this one from Fran Lewis, Author and Radio Talk Show Host: "Karen Pokras Toz has a definite five-star winner right here. Nate more than ROCKS! Great book for kids of all ages and for parents too. Characters that are true to life and a story that will definitely make you smile, laugh and endear you to one smart and talented young man named NATE!"

Tracy Poff of *The Herald-Dispatch*, writes, "Nate Rocks the World by Karen Pokras Toz has everything you could ask of a children's chapter book: adventure, fun characters, and a put-upon protagonist we can all relate to. The author does a splendid job of involving us with the story and making us care about the characters."

The second book, *Nate Rocks the Boat*, will be released by Grand Daisy Press on May 1, 2012, and feature Nate's adventures at summer camp. For a review copy of *Nate Rocks the World*, or an advance preview copy of *Nate Rocks the Boat* contact Grand Daisy Press at [info@granddaisypress.com](mailto:info@granddaisypress.com). Toz is also available for interviews, or to book for an in-store event, or at your library or school.

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