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## Review of *The Epic Adventures of Huggie and Stick* by Drew Daywalt

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The Epic Adventures of Huggie and Stick

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Illustrated by David Spencer

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Huggie and Stick are toys that belong to a boy who loves lugging them around in his red backpack. On one bicycle trip, Huggie tries to get rid of Stick by pushing him out of the backpack, but he gets pulled away with Stick. Stick, unaware that Huggie does not like him, is excited to go on an adventure with his best friend. The two get swept away into the Pacific Ocean, meet pirates, land on every continent, end up in the Atlantic Ocean, and make it back to the backpack together. On the trip, they both keep diaries, writing down their experiences. Everything that could go wrong does go wrong for Huggie, or at least, his bad attitude sees the wrong in everything. Stick loves the adventure and manages to see the good in everything. Great conversation starter with kids about geography, having a positive perspective on situations, or learning how to write their own diaries. The illustrations, beyond just being fun, help tell the story, so children can practice reading for fun. Highly Recommended. Nicole J Spencer, Centennial Library Intern, Cedarville, Ohio.