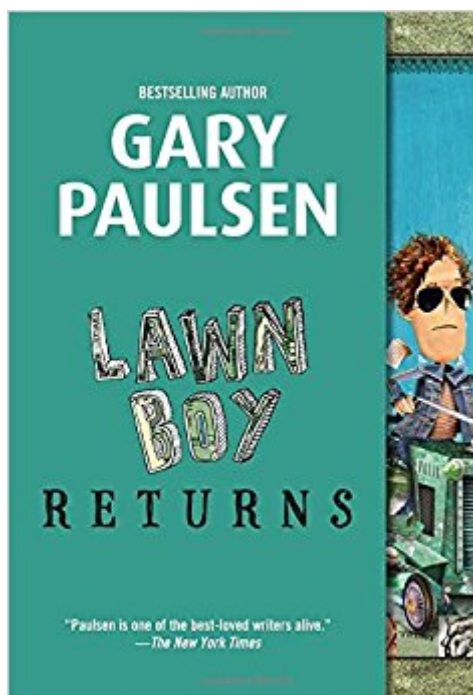


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# Lawn Boy Returns



## Synopsis

Gary Paulsen's funny follow-up to *Lawn Boy* is full of big surprises and big laughs. *Lawn Boy* says: The summer I was twelve, mowing lawns with Grandpa's old riding mower turned into big business. With advice from Arnold the stockbroker, I learned all about making money. Six weeks and hundred of thousands of dollars later, life got more complicated. You see, the prizefighter I sponsor, Joey Pow, won a big fight. And a TV interview made me famous. As Arnold says, "Capitalism plus publicity equals monster commerce." Even my best friends wanted a piece of the action. Meanwhile, some scary guys showed up at Joey's gym. . . .

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 4 • In this witty sequel to the much-beloved *Lawn Boy* (Random, 2007), six weeks have passed. In that time, the 12-year-old's business has expanded, his employees have quadrupled, his prizefighter has been asked by a gangster to throw a match, and his parents have gone on vacation. *Lawn Boy* is again confronted with very adult problems. He is hounded by the world, girls want his autograph, journalists want his picture. And still, all he wants is to play with the other kids, have a regular summer, and maybe mow a few lawns. LB uses his familiar charm and

sarcasm, coupled with kidlike solutions, to solve his scary, grown-up problems. Not a lot is new in this slim book, but fans will be excited by the fresh twists and turns amid the same quirky characters: Grandma, Joey Pow, Arnold, et al. This is an extremely fast and funny story, good for struggling and reluctant readers. --Terry Ann Lawler, Phoenix Public Library, AZ Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

In *Lawn Boy* (2007), Paulsen's preteen lawn mower earned a bit of modest cash, then turned it into nearly a half a million dollars with help from a hippie-dippy stockbroker. In this follow-up, Paulsen takes the hilarious story of capitalism run amok a step further, and the lad's deliriously lucrative lawn-mowing enterprise transforms into a massive and unwieldy corporation. Troubled by shady characters lurking about on the shakedown side and the IRS freezing assets on the legal side, he finds he'd rather be fishing than in *Forbes*. Another focused bit of frivolity from the master of smart, funny stories about boys. --Ian Chipman --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

We ordered this for our "economics/finance" study for homeschool and we loved it. The kids thought it was fun and funny and we had lots of good talks about real life and money. It brought up plenty of questions and raised their interest in financial matters without boring them. I highly recommend the book "Whatever Happened to Penny Candy" for a more complete, but also fun, way to teach economics.

Oh the joys of trying to explain economics to a eight year old.Great book, my son loves it.

Not sweet like the first book. Down right crude at times.

My 10 yr old grandson loved this book and listening to the CD while reading the book helped his comprehension tremendously. He has Auditory Processing Disorder.

Gary Paulson does it again, but funnier.This little economics lesson will make you laugh out loud. There should be a third one!

It was excellentI really needed a book to read and my mom said I should read itA+++++Great

Best book ever please make the book in all was a good short book that faces a 12 year old boy that his lawn mowing business is getting the threat of getting frozen or worse.

This book is hysterical and entertains my kids who read it over and over. Not high value as far as the material, but a good fun read.

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