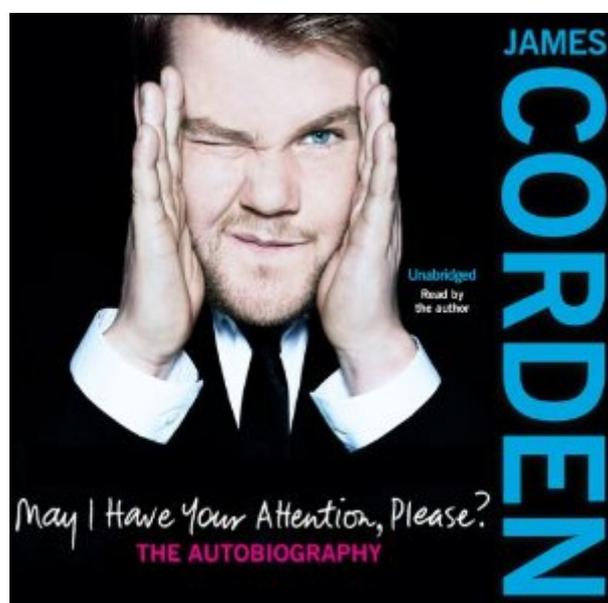


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# May I Have Your Attention Please?



## Synopsis

As far back as he can remember James Corden has only ever wanted to be in one place: in front of you, doing something to make you laugh, cry, shout, or giggle uncontrollably. At the age of 4, he grandstanded throughout his baby sister's christening, standing on a chair in front of the whole congregation, pulling faces and cracking everyone up. Despite himself, the vicar was impressed. And from then on he couldn't get enough of the spotlight, even when it always seemed to avoid him. Throughout his teens, he and his Dad trudged up and down towards London, getting closer and closer to landing a gig, only to be told 'No' at the last stage. But he never gave up and soon found his whole life turned upside down and inside out by his experience as one Alan Bennett's History Boys. From that moment forth, he's never looked back. *May I Have Your Attention Please?* is the warm, cheeky, surprisingly honest and hilarious story of one of our most popular comedy talents. From his antics as one of the founding players of his high-school's first ever rugby team to gaining recognition in the West End, to nationwide fame as the loveably loud Smithy in the award-winning *Gavin and Stacey*, this is a tenderly told story of what it's like to try, try and try again and - happily - get there in the end.

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## Customer Reviews

This book pleasantly surprised me as it's not a typical celebrity bio, slickly crafted to showcase the subject's most marketable qualities. For this reason, I'd like to thank the author for making me re-examine my own biases. I hadn't realized until reading it how aloof and detached a

lot of other biographies sound. They often adopt an authoritative tone, like theyâ™re a definitive, timeless explanation of exactly which life events shaped the person in question. Well, this book is different. Admittedly, oneâ™s early 30s seems relatively young to be writing an autobiography. James Corden cheerfully says up-front that heâ™s an unlikely person to be famous, and that talking about his life âœmakes me feel a little strangeâ•. However, if reading a biography â” especially a personâ™s own memoirs â” is supposed to help us understand another human beingâ™s personality and way of thinking, it shouldnâ™t matter how old the writer is or what he or she might be known for. And so much the better if the writer grew up in a different culture or has very different desires and motivations. You donâ™t have to be a fan of James Corden to enjoy this book â” I confess that I didnâ™t know a lot about him prior to reading the book, since I live in another country where most of his television work isnâ™t available. I hadnâ™t even heard of him until a few months ago. So to me, it came across as a story told by a young man whoâ™s on the verge of an enormous change in his life, and heâ™s very much aware of it.

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