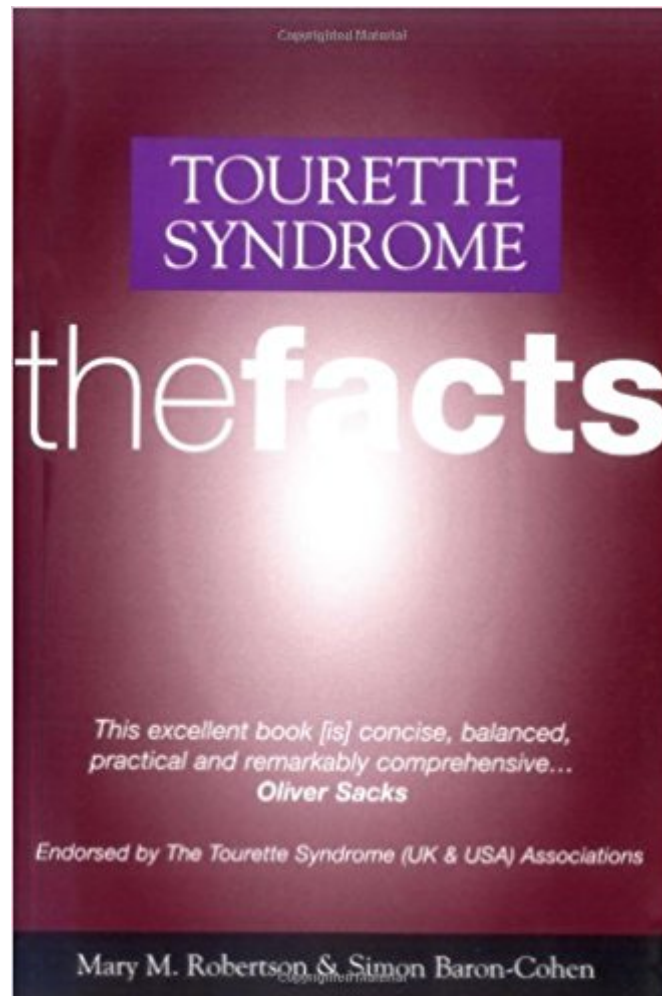




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" This little book is a gem. ... a gold mine of information that will prove useful to physicians, psychologists, and educators, In many respects, I found the book to be as helpful as many longer erudite volumes are on the topic of Tourette syndrome, and strongly recommend it." Annals of the RCPSC (Dec 1998)

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An ideal 1st book for those who have recently been diagnosed, and for family and friends. This is easily digested, but has not been "dumbed down". Written in a positive way it contains some sensible advice about coping with TS in the real world. Written by 2 of England's top specialists in Tourette Syndrome, it is a book that gives you the confidence to question the doctors, and answer those posed by people who want to know more about your problems. The extensive bibliography gives many leads for anyone wanting a more in-depth understanding of the syndrome, and the suggested "introduction card" deserves a special credit of its own. This is a book I would recommend to who is interested in the syndrome, at any level.

I used this book to help me in writing a paper for one of my psychology classes at a university. It was very useful in helping me decipher a lot of the medical terms that are associated with the syndrome, and also to clear up many of the myths regarding Tourette's Syndrome. It explained the cause, symptoms, treatment and family issues in a way that was very easy to understand. This book would be very helpful to someone who knows a person with Tourette's Syndrome in the understanding of their disease. There is a lot of good information, and also resources to point you in the direction of other research. I learned several things by reading this book, but I think that the most important thing that this book offers is that it clears up the myths and stereotypes that afflict people with this syndrome. I would highly recommend "The Facts".

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