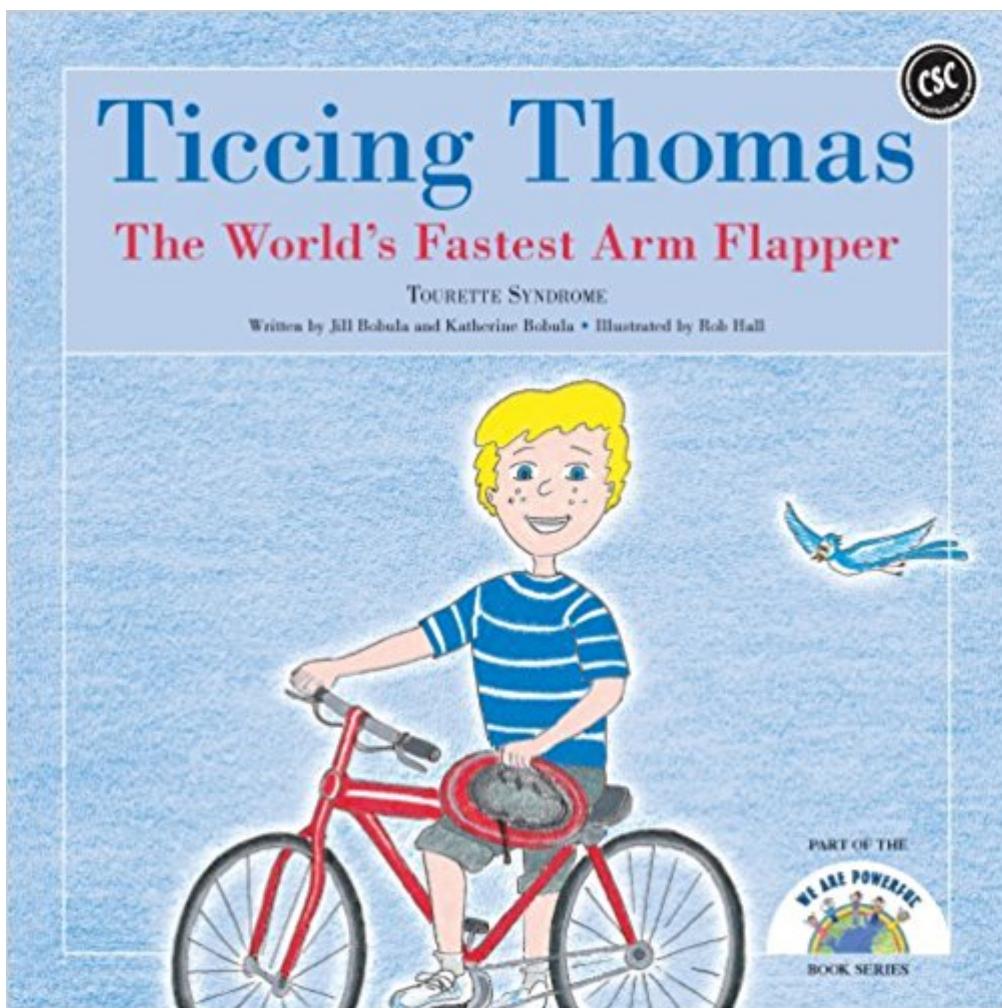


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# Ticcing Thomas, The World's Fastest Arm Flapper, Tourette Syndrome



## **Synopsis**

Ticcing Thomas® is the story of a boy with Tourette Syndrome. Thomas explains how Tourette's isn't just about having a tic. He describes the challenges he faces every day and how he's learned to cope. Join Thomas on his exciting and powerful journey! Ticcing Thomas is part of the WE ARE POWERFUL children's book series produced and published by Wildberry Productions Inc.

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Ticcing Thomas is an exceptional opportunity for teachers to raise the consciousness levels of their students, for parents to help shape their children into more tolerant and informed grownups, and for kids to discover new kinds of diversity and uniqueness in their peers. Thomas tells his story with a humour and directness guaranteed to bring comfort to youngsters who have TS and satisfy the inquisitive minds of those who don't. There are valuable life lessons in here, tender issues skillfully addressed and differences embraced. I can only wonder at the kind of world we'd live in if school libraries had a whole section devoted to books like the ones in this series. Bravo! --Rosie Wartecker, Executive Director, Tourette Syndrome Foundation of Canada

Tourette's Syndrome is a disorder of the brain that affects thinking and behavior. There is considerable burden associated with this condition imposed on those affected and their families. Repetitive involuntary movements, actions, and/or vocalizations can be frustrating to children with Tourette's. Equally or even more wearisome is the stigma associated with the disorder and the increased risk of victimization and discrimination stemming from prejudice and ignorance. In this book Jill Bobula and Katherine Bobula allow

information about the condition to become accessible to younger readers in a simple and yet inclusive narrative. This knowledge can be an important ingredient to exalt the self esteem of affected children, and also far reaching as a vehicle to dismiss the stigma fed by apprehension and misunderstanding. --Abel Ickowicz, MD, FRCPC, Psychiatrist-in-Chief, The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Canada

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