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Olga describes the real-world strategies that have made her son Billy better able to cope with life, and explains how working with autism's many strengths has led to a better quality of life for all her family. Full of advice for both day-to-day living and long-term progress, this is a positive and inspirational read.