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The OK Book



Synopsis

From the team that created the bestselling *I Wish You More*, this is a motivational picture book for exceptionally OK children! In this clever and visual play on words, OK is turned sideways, upside down, and right side up to show that being OK can really be quite great. With spare yet comforting illustrations and text, bestselling duo Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld celebrate the real skills and talents children possess, encouraging and empowering them to discover their own individual strengths and personalities. Whether OK personifies an OK skipper, an OK climber, an OK lightning bug catcher, or an OK whatever there is to experience, OK is an OK place to be. And being OK just may lead to the discovery of what makes one great.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

Go ahead and enjoy doing things even if you're just OK at them, this friendly concept book advises. Lichtenheld (*What Are You So Grumpy About?*) sets aside the color spreads of his previous titles for simple line drawings based on a visual pun. The book's hero is a little stick figure whose head is the O of OK, and whose arms and legs are the K. (Imagine the word OK tipped up on its side.) The scenery is similarly minimal: a black horizon line, a squiggly tree, some grass. I like to try a lot of different things, the OK figure says. I'm not great at all of them, but I enjoy them all the same. On each succeeding page, the stick figure turns in a series of OK performances, roasting a marshmallow, cutting a sandwich not really in half (I'm an OK sharer), and looking at the result of his

fishingâ "a tangle of seaweed and a boot. One day, I'll grow up to be really excellent at something, OK says, while lying in bed. I don't know what it is yet... but I sure am having fun figuring it out. In this age of skateboarding championships and spelling bee movies, it can't hurt to remind kids that the pleasure we take in simple activities is what makes life worthwhile. All ages. Copyright Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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A great message. At first I thought to myself, "It's not okay to just be okay! I want to encourage my kids to strive for greatness!" but then I got to the end and I realized that the author does just that, but she is also teaching us that it's okay to be just okay at something while you are learning how to be great at something! VERY GOOD! better than I could have done. PLUS! I love that the little character is actually the letters OK! i never noticed how that word looks like a stick person. Very clever!

I purchased this book because I read that it was a great book to help teach "theme" to students. I have purchased other Amy Krouse Rosenthal books, so I was looking forward to receiving this one. It is one book that will not wait to be used. I'll be using it tomorrow. It is a great book - easy read- but it has a powerful message. I will be using this book in my 5th grade classroom.

<http://castlekids46.blogspot.com/2015/10/using-picture-books-to-teach-theme.html>

I love this book for teaching students that it's OK to be OK at something. In a world where kids are sometimes pushed too hard to be great at everything (sometimes by their own expectations) this book takes a whimsical look at on'es skills that aren't top notch. And it's OK to be average at something...or to put more energy into a skill to develop it further if desired. What makes this book even more appealing is that the OK is turned on it's side to resemble a human (stick figure) body that is actually doing all of the activities talked about. Kids love that little twist!

My 4 year old son loves this book, along with Rosenthal's other books. Bought this one used. It looked like it had a coffee stain, or something of the like, on the front, but not big deal. Heard about this book online. My son used to get very upset when he could not complete a task the first time, but we used this book to help him learn that it's ok! He's not going to be perfect at something immediately. It really helped and it's one of his favorite books to read at bed time. He practically "reads" it to me now.

This is a great book. I am a read aloud volunteer- this is a great book to share with young elementary ages.

This is a wonderful book for children young and old. It teaches that it is okay to try things without being great while finding out what your real strengths are. This is my new go-to book for children's presents.

I bought this as a gift for a friend, who's always joking that she's "just average." It turned out to be much cuter than I expected. Very simple - but cute - illustrations, neat message. Although I bought it for an adult, I think it would be a great book for kids. We can't all be great at everything, and that's....well, ok!

My Grandson really liked this book

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