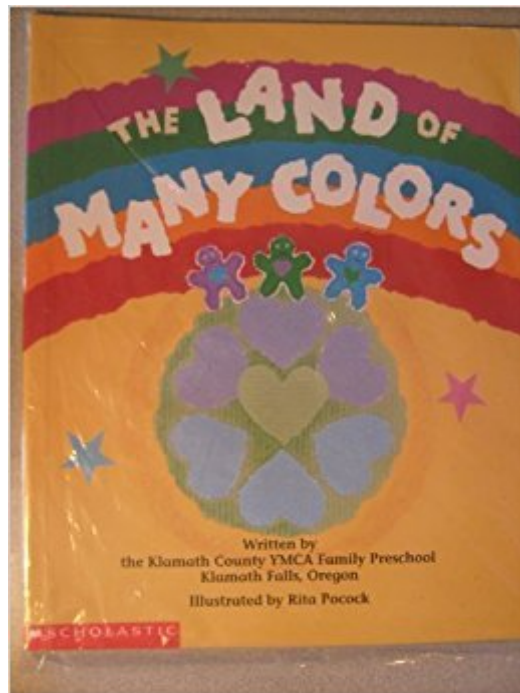


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Synopsis

Preschoolers present their views on resolving conflicts and solving problems.

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Customer Reviews

I was first introduced to this wonderful book at the day care I teach in. I continue to use it every week. The message it gives to young children is most valuable when trying to instill patience and understanding. It teaches that we are all the same, regardless of the color of our skin. I hope that it will be reprinted again and again so that others will have the opportunity to enjoy it as well.

I used this book in my preschool class during the month of November. We first read it as a large group, then in smaller groups of 3-4. My students really soaked up the message that we're all the same even if our skins are different colors. They even wanted to act it out for our parents. So they each chose a "color" to be, painted paper grocery sacks the corresponding colors, chose to rehearse about 15 times before they were satisfied that their parents would get the message too. They put on one of the best performances I've ever been a part of. Many parents were very impressed with the message. I have returning students telling new students that it's ok to be different colors because our hearts are all the same and that's what counts.

I read this book to my fifth grade students as we study the Civil Rights Movement. They love the story and the pictures! Eventhough it is a book for early readers, it has a strong message. The Land of Many Colors teaches us to judge each other "not by the color of our skin, but by the content of

our character."

There are some books I enjoy reading....and then there are ones I REALLY enjoy reading like The Land of Many Colors. "Can't we all just get along?" Remember that famous quote? Well, sometimes I feel that way in an elementary school setting! We've got a lot of peace and harmony flowing through our school, but once in awhile a group of students will sort of become exclusive. That's when I'm reminded of how important books are and as cheesy as this sounds....they can save the world gosh darn it! I am so grateful for this simple, yet powerful, story. I have been able to do A LOT with this book. It promotes diversity, differences, friendship, and team work. Favorite part of the story is when the different colors are confronted by a little child all covered in dust and shouts, "STOP!" I ask the students why he/she is covered in dust. Oh my goodness, I love the responses. This is a heart and mind opener. GET IT.

I was first introduced to this book in a college level english course. My instructor read the book to our class and explained that it was her favorite children's book. After this, it also became my favorite children's book as well. The story is a powerful reminder to children and adults, that everyone is equal and that it is important to remember that we all need to "get along." I read this book to the children in my preschool class (4 through 5-year-olds) and they absolutely loved it! It's a shame that this book is no longer in print and costs so much, but if you can find it at a decent price definitely pick it up!

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