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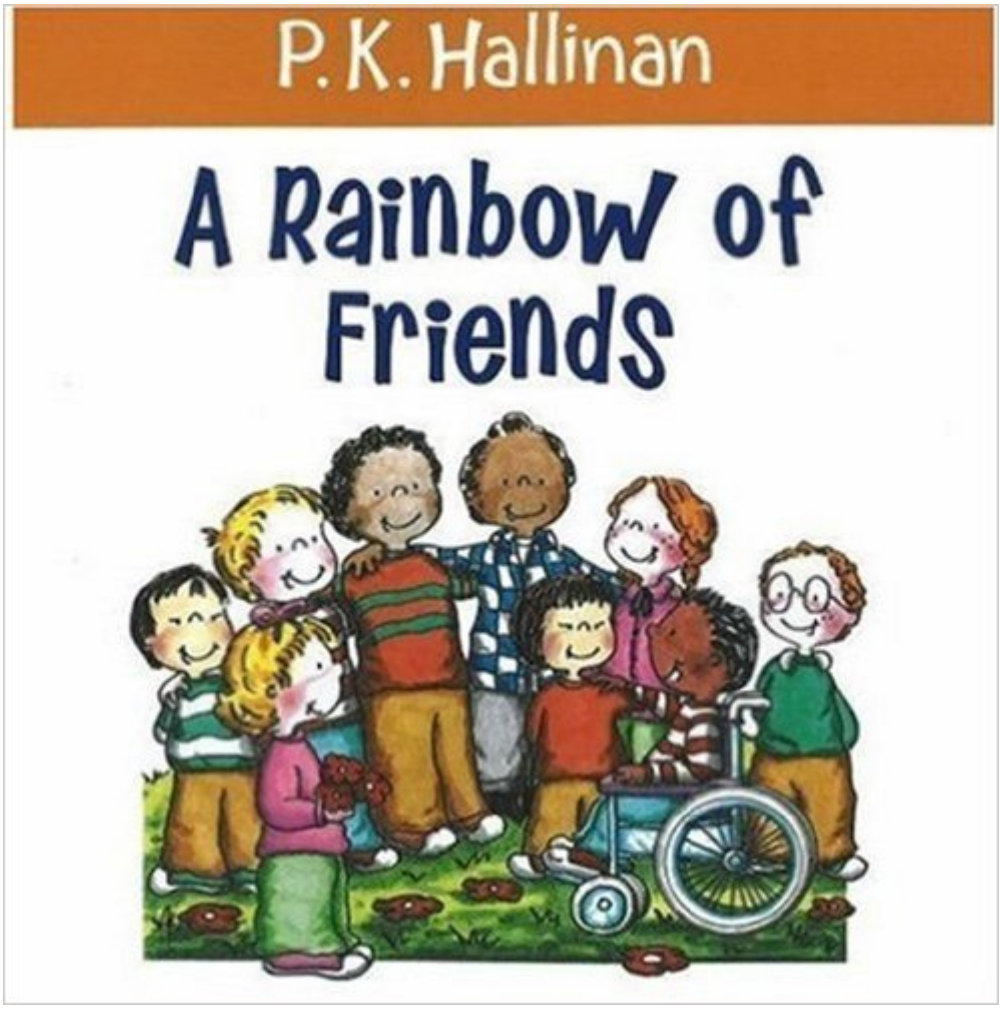

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Synopsis

Friends come in all colours and sizes; they can be funny or serious, musical or athletic, outgoing or quiet. This book reminds children to celebrate their differences because that is what makes each of us so special.

Book Information

Paperback: 24 pages

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Age Range: 3 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

Customer Reviews

This book is powerful because of its simplicity. I can not give this book enough praise! Since our family discovered this gem a few years ago, P.K. Hallinan (who does his own illustrations) has become one of our favorites. The subtitle on earlier editions was "A Book to Celebrate Diversity". Hallinan subtly covers many aspects of diversity through his rhyming words and colorful illustrations. This book is not preachy nor is it cheesy. I like that the book does not just focus on ethnicity, disability and differences. A Rainbow of Friends touches on views, interests, dress, strengths and weaknesses; it emphasizes acceptance, understanding, friendship and working together! A great book for all ages! Our family has donated copies of this book to the school library, given copies to each student in my son's class at school and distributed the book at community events. Heartprints (board book edition)Heartprints is Hallinan's best known book; I think A Rainbow of Friends is one of his best. I would also recommend How Do I Love You.

This book is an excellent approach to teaching children that we are all equal no matter what are nationality, race or handicap is.

A Rainbow of Friends is wonderfully written. A children's book that adults will enjoy reading with their children. It is unique in its demonstrating universal acceptance among all cultures, races, and handicaps among people.

This book by PK Hallinan is a wonderful teaching tool for all children. Although it is not a literary masterpiece, that doesn't matter. The adorable pictures and text portray the true meaning of acceptance and friendship. This is a great book for a child to own!

Another favorite by author P.K. Hallinan. As always the illustrations are beautiful & help to tell the story. Teaches children how to welcome others into their lives along with their differences.

I love the idea of the book and was excited by all the positive reviews. I'm somewhat disappointed though by the rhymes- not as well written as I'd have hoped. The illustrations are okay. I considered returning it but decided it was probably a good book to keep- to increase the diversity of our library haha ;)

It is not that hard to make a book about diversity that is not preachy, boring and pedantic. This book is like a parody of the attempt. There is no story, no characters, only cliches and boring illustrations. It gets two stars for trying, because this goal is always worth the effort.

This is a wonderful book about how we can be friends with all types of people--no matter what! :) It is a book I use every year in my kindergarten class!

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