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Planting A Rainbow



Synopsis

This educational and enjoyable book helps children understand how to plant bulbs, seeds, and seedlings, and nurture their growth. Lois Ehlert's bold collage illustrations include six pages of staggered width, presenting all the flowers of each color of the rainbow.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

My son and I BOTH loved this book. It was both fun to read and informative. The pictures were brilliant with color and seemed to bounce off the page. Every color of the rainbow was represented. After we finished reading the book, my son wanted to plant his own rainbow. It awakened his curiosity.

My 3 year old daughter loves this book! We borrowed it from our local library, read it 2-3 times daily, and had great trauma returning it. It has now been a month since it went back and she is still talking about it and has it on her christmas list. She has impressed the neighbors by asking if they had any morning glories or delphiniums and she was eager to help me plant my bulbs and explore all the flowers in our yard. She has always been a flower lover, but this book really stimulated her interest.

"Every year Mom and I plant a rainbow." Thus begins this wonderful children's classic, *Planting a Rainbow*. With its vibrant, full-page, cut paper (or the look of) illustrations, author Lois Ehlert

demonstrates in simple text the flower gardening process. The magic of this book is in the illustrations. Though they are simple, the different bulbs, seeds, seedlings, sprouts and plants are highly recognizable. It is as if she was able to zero in on the one defining characteristic of the various living things and put that to page. My four-year-old son loves the format of this lap-sized board book. It is sturdy enough for even him to haul around and suffer his abuse and big enough to be like the big kid books that don't fare so well under his watch. He loves the color and the varying sized pages. Mom is most enamored with the teaching nature of the illustrations. I love how each plant is identifiable and labeled on every page. I appreciate the teaching of seasons and the time various gardening activities take place. As it is currently February and dreary, I'm also appreciative of the hope and color of spring when my own bulbs will sprout and I can dig in the dirt to plant my seedlings. I think it was a great decision to reprint this book in the lap-sized board book version and I know my family will enjoy it for years to come. Armchair Interviews says: Good read for the little ones-and Moms, too.

My granddaughter picked this book at the library and it quickly became a favorite. She was very unhappy when we had to take it back. So I ordered her a book to keep. She loves going through the pages and telling me the colors and the names of the flowers. The book is very sturdy and well made and will clearly stand up to multiple readings per day. One very happy little girl (and granny)!

Purchased this board book in "like new" condition. Some wear on the spine, but this is to be expected. The story is simple enough to get through, but the illustrations are what make this book. The colors are vibrant and eye catching, perfect for a young child. I enjoyed that the names of various plants and flowers were included. Not one of my favorite books, but my son enjoys reading it regularly.

Excellent children's book that really teaches kids and adults about flowers and gardening. I love the vibrant colors in this book. Comes in two sizes small and large, so be sure to know what size you are ordering if this is important to you.

My 1.5 year old daughter just loves this book. The colors are bright, the board book is a nice size and the pages are easy to turn. I think it will be even more relevant this summer because I plan to plant flowers with her.

I absolutely adore this book ... and you know what, my 3-year-old who "reads" much more complex books, loves it too. He seems to understand that plants grow from seeds now and we are looking forward to planting our own in the coming weeks. I was already a big fan of the "Edible Alphabet" (the very first book I had bought for my son), and I love the simple narrative that "Planting a Rainbow" has: plant a seed, take care of it, be patient, and you will be rewarded.

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