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Honey, I Love And Other Love Poems (Reading Rainbow Series)



Synopsis

An ALA Notable Children's Book, *Honey, I Love and Other Love Poems* includes sixteen poems that tell of love and the simple joys of everyday life, seen through the eyes of a child: playing with a friend, skipping rope, riding on a train or keeping Mama company till Daddy gets back. Each of these sixteen "love poems" is spoken straight from the perspective of a child. Riding on a train, listening to music, playing with a friend...each poem elicits a new appreciation of the rich content of everyday life. The poems are accompanied by both portrait and panorama drawings that deepen the insights contained in the words. This beloved book of poetry is a Reading Rainbow Selection and the winner of George C. Stone Center for Children's Books' Recognition of Merit Award. Supports the Common Core Learning Standards

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

HONEY, I LOVE and other love poems is simply put, one of the all-time best books of poetry ever written - and it is loved and enjoyed by adults as well as children. Eloise Greenfield's poetry is full of wisdom, simplicity, and elegance. The title poem reflects a childhood any child would be privileged to have - a "flying pool," a cousin from the South whose words just kinda "slide" out of his mouth, a Mama whose arm is for holding her child...and for being kissed. What more could anyone need?

The other poems are brilliant as well - especially HARRIET TUBMAN who didn't "take no stuff." This poem, in fact, is an anthem for school children everywhere, who love a hero and aspire to be one as well. Poetry doesn't get any better than the stuff that comes out of Eloise Greenfield's experiences, heart, and pen. As an author and teacher myself, I admire the timeless nature and awesome craftwork in this book, and I share it every chance I get. Honey, you'll love it!

This book is a must for any child's bookcase, particularly if one wants to rear a child who is sensitive, racially tolerant and in tune with the beauty of language. These poems are of pure emotion: love, joy, loss, bravery, silliness. The voice is childlike but amazingly profound as the poems cover a squeaky school piano, a Southern cousin whose every word "just kind of slides out of his mouth" and the complete abandon one feels when dancing deep in the music of Earth, Wind and Fire. My favorite two poems are a bit more serious. In "Keepsake," Greenfield uses just nine simple lines to convey loss, and the impact adults can have on children. This is not a maudlin poem that is too heavy or upsetting. Although it deals with death, it's respectful and loving. And the poem "Harriet Tubman" is amazing, deftly describing the woman's heroics and bravery in a satisfying and strong verse. Honey, I Love is a thought-provoking work that stands the test of time. It's a book that adults and children can, and should, enjoy together.

This book is a favorite of mine and memorable since childhood. The poems are sweet and the drawings are beautiful and made with love. A feel good book for adults and children that is simple and to the heart.

Honey, I Love is a great book. This is the book I most love written by Eloise Greenfield. Some of the poems in the book remind me of my life as a "little kid". I read this book in fourth grade and loved it ever since. This is a great book for young students, as well as, older ones. The poem in the book entitled, "Honey, I Love", is inspiring to me. I read that poem and feel as if I'm the little girl in the poem. The other poems are also very nice, inspiring, and unique. I would definitely recommend this book to the young ones. I feel as if they could relate to it. I love this book. It is a wonderfully fantastic book and I commend Mrs. Eloise Greenfield for writing it. Mrs. Greenfield is a very talented writer. I hope to write children's books like her one of these days. "Honey, I love", I love this book HONEY!

My 5 year old daughter loves this book. She loves the rhythmic style and how you can really hold

the "honey I love..." until the next page. The little girl in the book describes various situations that she loves to do with her family and her friends. You can read it straight or read it with hands-on-the-hip, saucy attitude. It's a great read aloud book.

Beautiful, important book--words and pictures. I was drawn to it as a child, and was excited to share it with my own child as an adult. I hope he'll share it with his! Love. Highly recommended; a book for the ages.

Honey, I Love is a fantastic book for young black girls and great for confidence building. The art work wonderfully represents the poems.

A must read for children of all ages. The Poetry is simply fantastic. The is a feel good book.

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