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Let's Fly A Kite (MathStart 2)



Synopsis

Let's Fly a Kite When Bob and Hannah split something, the two pieces had better be symmetrical--exactly the same. BUt to fly their kite, they'll have to learn something new--cooperation!

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 10 years

Grade Level: 1 and up

Customer Reviews

Grade 1-3-Bob and Hannah argue over everything during their day at the beach-how to decorate the kite they are going to fly, sharing the backseat of the car, who gets the last sandwich, and who sits where on the beach towel. Their resourceful baby-sitter finds a solution to each problem using the concept of symmetry. Floca's watercolor-and-ink-line cartoons enhance the story and ably depict the method used to divide everyday objects into two equal parts. Examples of nonsymmetry are shown in each situation (e.g., dividing the kite horizontally so that the bottom half is larger), thus adding to the story's conflict and encouraging a better understanding of the concept. The book would work best as a read-aloud to start or supplement a lesson on symmetry. Follow-up activities are appended. Teachers and students will appreciate this useful book. Toni D. Moore, Simon Kenton High School, Independence, KY Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc.

When Bob and Hannah split something, the two pieces had better be symmetrical -- exactly the same. But to fly their kite, they'll have to learn something new -- cooperation!

Perfect book to send to grandchild along with a kite design quilt!

For this book, it's the illustrations that do the most work. When the idea is symmetry, you have to SHOW IT. Brian Floca's illustrations got the point across clearly and quickly. I usually LOVE Stuart J. Murphy's books, not only for the excellent way they explain math concepts, but also *because* they show children behaving themselves... this book fell down a little in that regard. The children were, quite frankly, bratty to one another, and the most admirable character was the babysitter. Ah, well.

Cute math book about symmetry. It's nice that there are books about math comprehension and that are fun to read. It changes the regular workbook mentality about Math.

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