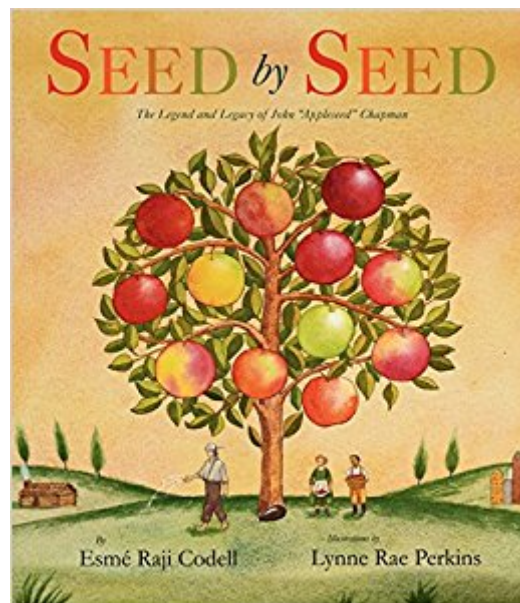




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Seed By Seed: The Legend And Legacy Of John "Appleseed" Chapman



Synopsis

His real name was John Chapman. He grew apples. But wait. So what? Why should we remember him and read about him and think about him and talk about him today, more than two hundred years after he was born? Why should we call him a hero? Esme Raji Codell and Lynne Rae Perkins show us, in eloquent words and exhilarating pictures, why Johnny Appleseed matters now, perhaps more than ever, in our loud and wired and fast-paced world.

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Esme Raji Codell is a teacher and librarian and the author of many award-winning books for

children. Even though she has already graduated from preschool, she still loves puppets, sharing, friends, snacks, and the occasional dinosaur. She lives with her family in Chicago, Illinois. You can find more story-time fun and support for your child's precious preschool years at her website. Lynne Rae Perkins was awarded the Newbery Medal for *Criss Cross*. She is the author of three other novels: "All Alone in the Universe, As Easy as Falling Off the Face of the Earth, and Nuts to You. Lynne Rae Perkins has also written and illustrated several picture books, including *The Broken Cat*; *Snow Music*, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor Book and a Book Sense Top Ten Pick; *Pictures from Our Vacation*; and *The Cardboard Piano*. The author lives with her family in northern Michigan.

A wonderful biography about John Chapman/Johnny Appleseed!!! Great point of view and wonderful pictures. A Must read!

I'm a Johnny Appleseed fan and it was good to see some attention paid to his Swedenborgian beliefs in addition to his role spreading apples.

I love the drawings and wonderful words about the great Johnny Appleseed. What a great dude! Make an apple pie (recipe included at end of the book), get three scoops of vanilla ice cream, and read this book with your friends!

My 7 year old grandson's favorite book!

Calming book, short to read. Nice summary of a life well spent. Instills appreciation of the good others have done in this world. Recommend for 5-9 year olds.

Meh. Don't get me wrong, this book has great illustrations and figurative language, for example: "The moon shone on the snow until the land glowed like a pearl." I even like the beginning of the book where the author tells how the past is different from the present and the pictures show a little boy and girl in modern times and then their surroundings and clothing change to the time of John Chapman. I thought that was cool. It is a really pretty book, I just can't get over the spiritual undertones, which make it seem so hokey. "His sweet spirit lives on in the apples we eat..." and there is a little chant at the end of the book you are encouraged to say and you can use the word, "Lord", or "World", or "Earth" interchangeably in it if you wish. It's not terrible, I just can't read it to my

kids without feeling silly. We will be using a different book to learn about John Chapman/Johnny Appleseed.

I am a speech-language pathologist, and bought this book to teach my elementary students and middle school students about the importance of Johnny Appleseed. This book is not written for either of these populations, and the information presented in the book does not captivate it's audience (teacher or student). If you are a teacher or professional looking for a good Johnny Appleseed book, I would NOT recommend this book.

This is an interesting and long book. Not quite like a storybook although it does start out that way, this is more of a miniature encyclopedia to my thinking with page after page of fact and detail (be it legend, fact or myth). The illustrations are wondrous to the eye and enjoyable to look at and my favorite page is one that is embroidery with words around and in it. Johnny Appleseed is always a great learning theme for school and I'm glad to have discovered another book for our shelf. I enjoyed this Advanced Reader Copy, and I'll have to see about getting us a real copy for a keeper. (In my notes I just discovered a second review written for this...) Johnny Appleseed Legend Review Seed by Seed Johnny Appleseed Review Johnny Appleseed poem I love this book. The details are full and presented in a very interesting manner. The illustrations are beautiful and they are shown in various methods including cross stitch and wood cuts. This biography on Johnny Appleseed is full of details from his birth to his death. Two kids are learning about Johnny Appleseed and their imaginations take them back in time where they can learn and walk side by side in his work. The moral given for this story is how Johnny Appleseed lived by example step by step and day by day. Pressing and prompting kids to make a difference in their own modern world.

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