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# What Does It Mean To Be Kind?



## Synopsis

"...a beautiful book with a beautiful message...the book shows young children how easy it is to be kind through small acts and in simple ways..." •R.J. Palacio, author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Wonder* Being kind means...Smiling at the new student in class. Giving someone a compliment. Celebrating the differences in others. When the girl in the red hat finds the courage to be kind to the new student in class, her kindness spreads. Kind act by kind act, her whole community experiences the magical shift that happens when everyone understands •and acts on •what it means to be kind. More Awards for What Does It Mean to Be Kind?&#x95; 2015 Moonbeam Gold Medalist

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

"With simple, straightforward text and adorable illustrations, this book is a great go-to resource for parents and caregivers to help young children easily understand what acts of kindness are all about. Love it!" --Trudy Ludwig, bestselling author of *The Invisible Boy* & *My Secret Bully* "We ask our children to be kind, but what does that really mean? 'What Does It Mean To Be Kind?,' with its engaging illustrations and endearing characters, gives children the tools they need to enact positive

behavior in real life." Kathryn Otoshi, author of ONE" It's encouraging to see a children's book focused so specifically on the value of kindness, and one that gives so many definitions of what that term can mean. It's also pleasant to experience the kind treatment of animals as part of what it means to be kind. The publisher includes a note in the book about their use of environmentally sustainable materials in production, demonstrating the book's lessons in practice. This is a charming book with a welcome perspective." --Foreword Reviews "Gentle color illustrations of children learning to be polite and helpful round out this excellent, read-aloud character building book." --Midwest Book Review (Midwest Book Review) "...a beautiful book with a beautiful message. In language that is inspirational and never didactic, and illustrated with extraordinary grace, the book shows young children how easy it is to be kind through small acts and in simple ways. It takes a lofty concept like kindness and makes it not only attainable, but enjoyable. Cool beans! • -- R. J. Palacio, author of #1 NYT bestseller, Wonder "A wonderful book that teaches us all the healing power of kindness." -- Leon Logothetis, The Kindness Diaries "Stephane Jorisch (the Betty Bunny series) presents a multicultural cast of lean-bodied children supporting and caring for one another, demonstrating patience and forgiveness (in this) sweet and non-judgmental affirmation about the happy returns that come through kind actions." --Publishers Weekly (Publishers Weekly)

Rana DiOrio was born in Providence, RI and grew up in a colorful Italian-American family. Her curiosity about the world began in kindergarten, while studying Western access to China and, obviously, panda bears. As a political science major/psychology minor in college, and then as a law student, she became fascinated with understanding perspective, and how just about any person, place, thing, or situation can be interpreted in so many valid ways. I believe that I have two ears, two eyes and one mouth intentionally, so I listen and observe more than I talk, she explains. As a result, I think I'm better able to respect and appreciate diversity. Rana's inspiration for writing What Does It Mean To Be Global? was the election of President Barack Obama and explaining its significance, on so many levels, to her children. Rana has written her way through life as a student, a lawyer, an investment banker, a private equity investor, and now as an author and publisher of children's picture books. Her interests include practicing yoga, reading non-fiction, dreaming, effecting positive change, and, of course, being global, green, and present. She lives in Tiburon, California with her three Little Pickles.

this book is a good discussion book for parents and children, or teachers with children, but it's not an entertaining book, it's very "teachy"

This was a very good book to use with students in the elementary level. They all seemed to enjoy it.

This is a great book for the kids! My daughter loves it, and it's such a good lesson!

Excellent book for children. The topic of kindness should be introduced to the child at a early age. It's important to teach children the importance of being kind.

Such a wonderful book to help in teaching your little one about the little things we can do in life to be kind to one another. My daughter loves it too

This is a great book for the beginning of school.

Good message for young kids. My four year old son loves this book.

Perfect for my class of four year old children!

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