

Sort It Out!



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Synopsis

Packy the Packrat's mother has had enough! It's time that he sorts through his ever-growing collection of trinkets and puts them away. Told in rhyme, the text leads the reader to participate in the sorting process by categorizing Packy's piles of things according to like characteristics and attributes. The reader response is worked into the rhyme, building a sense of anticipation. The illustrations include a humorous subplot about Packy's sister, who enjoys pilfering some of his things for her own enjoyment. Children will relate to the idea of having a collection of favorite objects and the satisfaction that comes from examining and admiring these collectibles. The story promotes and reinforces analogous thinking, a critical thinking skill in math, science, and life. In the supplemental activity section at the back of the book, the reader can explore even more attributes and characteristics of objects, including color, size, texture, shape, and material. Lexile code: NP.

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 4

Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 2 "When Pack rat comes home with a cart full of stuff" a locket, a book, an umbrella, a pinecone, and many more random items" his mother admonishes him to sort it all out and put it away. Packy does just that, cleverly sorting things with like characteristics such as where they're found, their color, shape, etc. Children who like to collect may be inspired to bring some order to their own assortments. The illustrations are brightly colored, large, and very clear. Careful

readers will notice a subplot in the pictures and find satisfaction in seeing its resolution on the final page. In addition, the rhyming text prompts them to guess the word that defines each collection. Back matter has activities to extend the experience. Most collections would benefit from this simple entry into the world of mathematics.â "Linda M. Kenton, San Rafael Public Library, CA Copyright Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

"This is a great book. It is very useful in the classroom, but also has wonderful attributes for sharing at home." --The Reading Tub
"This book is well worth adding to preschool and early grade shelves to reinforce science, math, and language lessons." --Children's Literature Comprehensive Database
"A great read-aloud storybook ideal for stimulating young minds." --Midwest Book Review
"Barbara Mariconda's strategy for teaching sorting is clever, creative and humorous. Sherry Rogers' illustrations are bright and cheerful; her Pack Rat family is charming and will appeal to young children." --Epinions.com

Went with our materials unit. perfect

A great book to introduce sorting concepts. I placed this in my math center along with manipulative to sort.

This book is great. My science classes, ranging in ages 2 to kindergarten, loved the story and now they are sorting all kinds of things.

Very expensive for a few page but helpful learning material that can help kids to learn about numbers, orders and practical life.

I find this story a little bit lame and lacking in entertainment. It does help when talking with young children about sorting though so I have used it
The delivery and service was quick and efficient though

The activities are sub par and the story itself is not very good and a little to complicated for a toddler's book. The art wasn't very engaging.

Good book. Teaches the concept and keeps the interest of a 3 1/2 year old.

Love it!

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