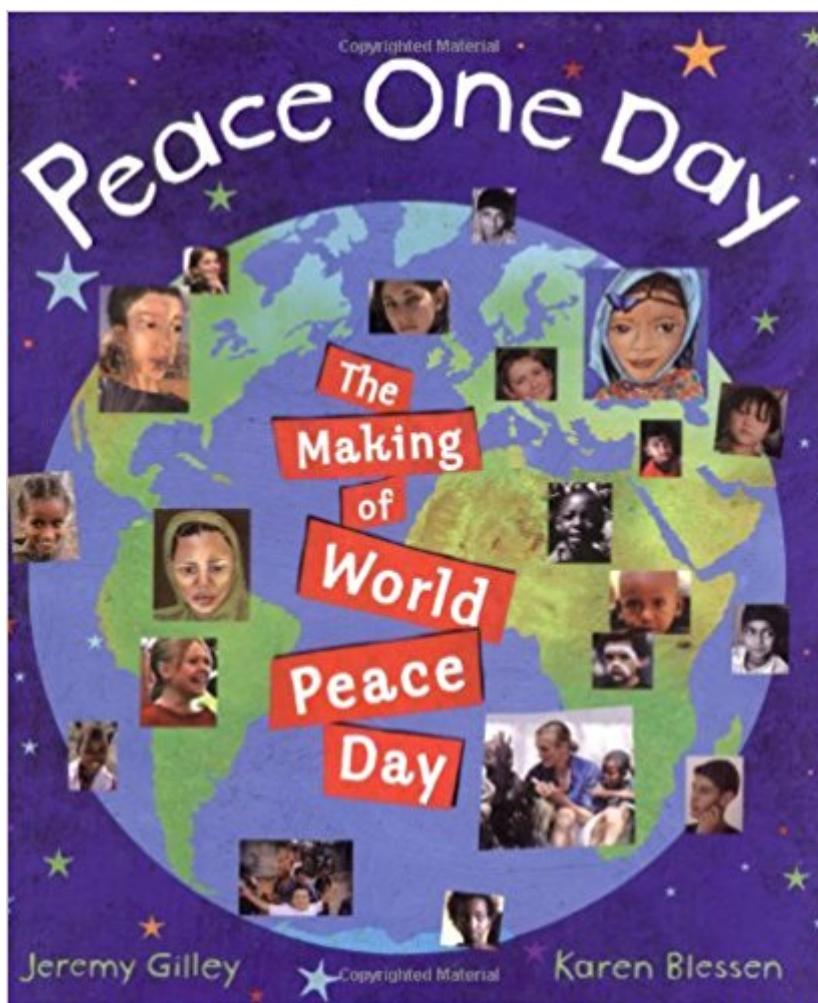


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Peace One Day



Synopsis

One day, a lightbulb went off in Jeremy Gilley's head: there should be one day each year when the world stops fighting and celebrates peace. And he did much more than just think about it. He traveled the globe, meeting with leaders such as Kofi Annan, Amre Moussa, Shimon Peres, and His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Jeremy's enthusiasm and tireless efforts convinced the governments of the world to change the UN International Day of Peace from a day that moved each year and didn't actually require anyone to stop fighting into a cease-fire day of nonviolence that would fall on September 21 every year. This amazing story touches on the causes of war, what would happen on a cease-fire day, ways to promote peace on September 21, and most important, how a single person can make a difference in the world.

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Customer Reviews

Grade 3-6 — Hoping to make a difference and help to bring calm in a troubled world, Gilley wrote to the United Nations to discuss an idea for a day when the entire globe would observe peace. In order to make it work, he decided a specific date was needed. As well as making it a day for global cease-fire and nonviolence, it would also be A day for everyone in our homes, schools and communities around the world to stop fighting. Aided by his family, colleagues, and friends, he wrote to presidents and prime ministers, Nobel Prize winners and religious leaders for help. While

meeting with dignitaries around the world, as well as visiting countries where conflicts were going on, he decided to film the poverty, destruction, and suffering from wars. Seeing the reality that children had to live with reaffirmed his desire to make a difference. After struggling for over two years, his realization came true. The United Nations voted to name September 21 a day of cease-fire and nonviolence. He named it Peace One Day. All of the pain, disappointment, and excitement in his dream are well documented. The combination of text and illustrations demonstrates the message that everyone can make a difference. The clear, concise text appears with a collage of captioned photos and realistic drawings. Teachers and librarians can use the Web site provided for suggestions for individuals, families, and schools to celebrate Peace day. © Margaret R. Tassia, Millersville University, PA Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Gr. 4-6. In this handsome picture book, a young British filmmaker tells how he persuaded world leaders to establish World Peace Day. Well, not really. Since 1981 the UN has celebrated the International Day of Peace on the third Tuesday in September. What Gilley did was to convince them to declare a fixed date, September 21. His personal account of filming the consequences of war in several countries, from Somalia to the Middle East, draws attention to the issue, as do his accounts of meeting with world leaders, such as the Dalai Lama and Kofi Annan. Most powerful are the double-page collage illustrations contributed by Pulitzer Prize-winning artist Karen Blessen, which blend some of Gilley's film images of kids caught up in war and portraits of world peace leaders with colored pencil drawings, posters, and even news headlines. The passionate prose and stirring images show and tell that each person can make a difference. Hazel Rochman Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

Good book

This book is the story of Jeremy Gilley and his quest to make a World Peace Day. We all want world peace and a good place to start is one day.... and maybe one day there will be world peace. We need our future to know about World Peace Day - which if you don't know is September 21. This is the story of how Jeremy started with a great idea, how he traveled around the world speaking to presidents, the Dalai Lama and United Nations. How he had help from friends, shot a short film on war and how it effects the children who live in war zones. In one day of peace with no fighting or shooting a lot could be accomplished like food and water would be able to be transported to places

that need it, children can sleep without fear, roads can be paved, homes, building, and infrastructures can be fixed, health workers can give immunizations and real heroes can inspire others to stretch and family can see each other. The illustrations are done in a collage style with photos of Jeremy, photos of children from all over the world and also used news print and paintings. The book is definitely for older children, I'd suggest 2nd grade and up. And you can also go to the website [...] and remember 1 person can make change and peace!

Peace One Day is a colorful, enchanting and inspiring book. It is the story of a young man who believes that one person can make a difference in the world and has demonstrated it many times over. Sometimes the world seems too big, too complex and out of reach, particularly to kids. True changemakers appear larger than life or saints but here is a story about Jeremy Gilley who is just a man who loves children, loves life and loves peace. He set out to establish a single day of peace on the calendar when all countries and people observe a global ceasefire when food and medicine can get across borders and refugees can return to their families. He set out asking heads of state, dignitaries and engage children all over the globe. Illustrated by Pulitzer Award winning Karen Blessen, this collage of pictures, narration and photos tells all about it. You can show the pictures to preschoolers, read together with grade-schoolers and share the possibility of peace, but most of all you can tell kids that they can make a difference, one person at a time. I love this book and its message.

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