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Anything Is Possible



Synopsis

The sheep in this story is a dreamer, while her friend the wolf has a more practical disposition. One day the sheep runs to the wolf with an idea. She wants to build a flying machine! But the wolf tells her it's impossible. Eventually, however, the sheep's dream gets the better of the wolf's doubts, and they begin to work on the project together. Through perseverance and the process of trial and error, the sheep and wolf manage to create a winning design, brought to life by architecturally and mathematically inspired paper collage art. At the end of this whimsical tale, even the wolf has to admit that anything is possible!

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

PreS-Gr 2 — This short, slight tale promotes the concepts of teamwork and perseverance. When Sheep sees a flock of birds flying overhead, she wishes she could join them. She gets an idea, runs to see Wolf, and asks him to work with her on building a flying machine. He's skeptical at first, but eventually Sheep prevails. Their first design has fabric wings that rip mid flight, sending them tumbling to the ground. They try balloons, but the birds pop them. Sheep's last idea has her fashioning a dragon's head, while Wolf cuts out a tail. This time the plan works, and off they fly together. The mixed-media illustrations are abstract and creative; they use paper cutouts, ink, and

pencil. Unfortunately, there is not much of a plot here. In addition, Sheep and Wolf's final design presumably works because the cutout dragon scares away the birds, but that is not totally clear from the pictures.
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Contemplative Sheep is envious of birds flying overhead: "How lucky they are! They can choose how they look at things: from far away, from up close, or from somewhere in between." Sheep comes up with an idea to build a flying machine and takes it to practical, mathematically inclined Wolf. Although dubious at first, Wolf quickly gets onboard, working his ruler and protractor into a frenzy. Once they've got a plan (mathematical scribbles all over the page) and follow it, they're off and up . . . and then back down, limbs akimbo. Not to be deterred, they try again and again, until, in a contraption resembling a dragon, they ultimately soar. While the simple text doesn't explain why natural enemies Wolf and Sheep are friends or how they get a machine to fly, the illustrations make up for any holes.

Trevisan's collages are set on crisp white pages, and with interesting perspectives and art bleeding off the pages, this is a visually beautiful story anchored by two endearing characters. A whimsical offering of perseverance and friendship from an Italian author and illustrator.

Preschool-Grade 2. --Ann Kelley

Lovely book about perseverance and teamwork. Two unlikely animals team up to see if they can create a flying machine. Beautiful illustrations take the reader on a journey as they work out Galileo-like formulas to make the possibility of flight a reality. "Someone once wrote that only those who dream learn to fly". A wonderful way to teach children that what may start out as a dream, with hard work and ingenuity the sky is the limit!

Well illustrated with a good point

The message of this book is truly beautiful...with true ambition and continued effort "Anything is Possible." We always buy a hard back book and inscribe it for our little boy for birthday and Christmas. While we love the message, our little boy is not that interested in the book itself - probably due to the illustrations, which I LOVE. They are of da Vinci inventions and drawings of his inventions. Hopefully our son will appreciate it some day.

This has been my 3-year old son's favorite bedtime book for the past month or so. It's a fairly short book - under 5 minutes, but he loves the sheep and wolf illustrations. It also has a positive message, as the title implies.

I bought this book for my 4 year old son when he was having a hard time with his lego creations. Those bricks don't stay together like they used to plus his designs aren't terribly stable and it was resulting in mega-frustration. I think this book really solidifies the message "if at first you don't succeed, try again". It's proven to be invaluable for us. :)

gave as a gift to a teacher who often said "anything is possible" to read to her grandchildren. She loved it.

I'm trying to teach my students to have a growth mindset. This book is great for the theme.

Yes everything is possible. Love this book got to my home on time I really enjoy it among my family and friends

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