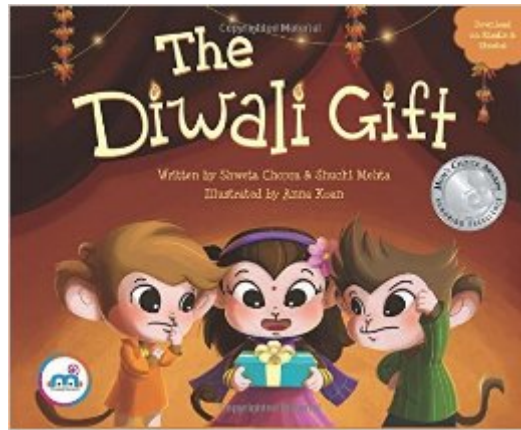


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# The Diwali Gift



## Synopsis

When a mysterious package arrives just in time for Diwali, the three friends can hardly contain their excitement! Join the 3 Curious Monkeys Suno, Dekho and Jaano in their adventure as they discover the most wonderful Diwali Gift! Experience traditions of Diwali with sparklers, diyas and rangoli . The beautiful artwork and amusing storyline keeps everyone engaged. Winner of Mom's Choice Award.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a beautifully written and designed book for young children. There's no fussy language or difficult mythological plot line. Both my 3 and 5-year old could relate to the characters in the book and follow their curiosity. In the process, they learned quite a bit about different Diwali traditions and celebrations. It's great for kids to be able to see themselves and their families in the text and illustrations in this way. There's even a Skype chat with a grandmother!

As a Christian, I am always looking for books that teach (mostly about Christian). While this book does not teach about Christian, (it provides basic information about Diwali, one of India's most important festivals of the year), I like it because it helps children understand other religions. I am planning on using this book to help other Christian children understand Hinduism and to start a discussion about how Hinduism is different from Christianity. This book scores extra points for having a glossary at the end defining all the Hindi words used in book. If you are homeschooling, I can see using this book to learn about the country of India or the Hindu religion as well. You can get a free lesson plan and activity sheets at the author website [3curiousmonkeys](http://3curiousmonkeys.com)

wonderful book for our two year old. The illustrations are great and the story a hit with everyone. What a wonderful way to teach our American Indian son about Diwali. Waited to get it shipped and once available came quickly. So glad we ordered it!

Our 5-year-old twin boys are half American, half Indian, and we're doing our best to make them aware and embrace their Indian heritage. This year we decorated our house with colorful lights and diva votives, and the boys really got into it. This book was a Diwali gift we gave them on the night before, and they loved it. This will be something we read again and again over the next few years. Great story, and quality illustrations (my husband is an artist, so that's a very important feature for any children's book)!

My son is half Indian and half Israeli. I found this book to be a great way to introduce Diwali to him without being bringing in too much religion. There are parts that discuss Ganesh and Laxmi and I was able to talk about them with him. He's young but remained fully engaged throughout the whole book. The pictures and the story are captivating for young learners. As a former teacher, who had to create a Diwali lesson from scratch, this would have been great for my non-desi students. The gift giving and rituals are something non-Hindus are familiar with and will appreciate as a bridge between our cultures. When my son is older I'll be downloading their free lessons that go with this book from TES.com. The authors are passionate mothers who are making it easier for me to retain my culture and heritage in the US. PS - To the user who gave this book a one-star review - remember that Hinduism is a large part of our culture and not just a religion we follow. It's important for kids of this generation to experience both :).

The Diwali Gift makes for a perfect picture book for toddlers and read aloud or self read for young readers. The book talks about Diwali in a way that can be related by kids globally. While this is a great book for Indian kids growing outside of India to learn about our culture and rituals, it is not just limited to them. It can be easily read by kids from all around the world and they can learn a bit about Diwali and the Indian rituals around it, just like everyone today knows how to do the christmas tree and line presents around them. The idea of the book is to make Diwali a global mainstream story through the three curious monkeys - Suno, Dekho, Jano and it is certainly does accomplish that very well. Makes for an excellent gift during the festive season, for birthdays and return gifts. Perfect to be read-aloud in a book club for young kids, classrooms and libraries.

First of just the look and feel of the book and print simply gorgeous and high quality. You have to see it to believe it. The characters are so naturally lovable. The design of the book is just beautiful. It has been a while that I've enjoyed an Indian kids book in, well, ever. The story is simple. It introduces so many aspects of Diwali with no effort. Just the ritual and customs, not the history. We know we celebrate Diwali for the cultural connection, not that Rama beat Ravana. Although, thank God for that. That is for another day. I would've liked to keep it as a coffee table book, but my 4 year old makes me read it every night. This year, he's actually looking forward to Diwali more than Halloween, for a change!

Wonderful book and wonderful idea. I love the illustrations and the way it showcases Indian culture in a fun way. I downloaded the app and sheepishly admit that I have been playing with it instead of my kids. Looking forward to more books

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