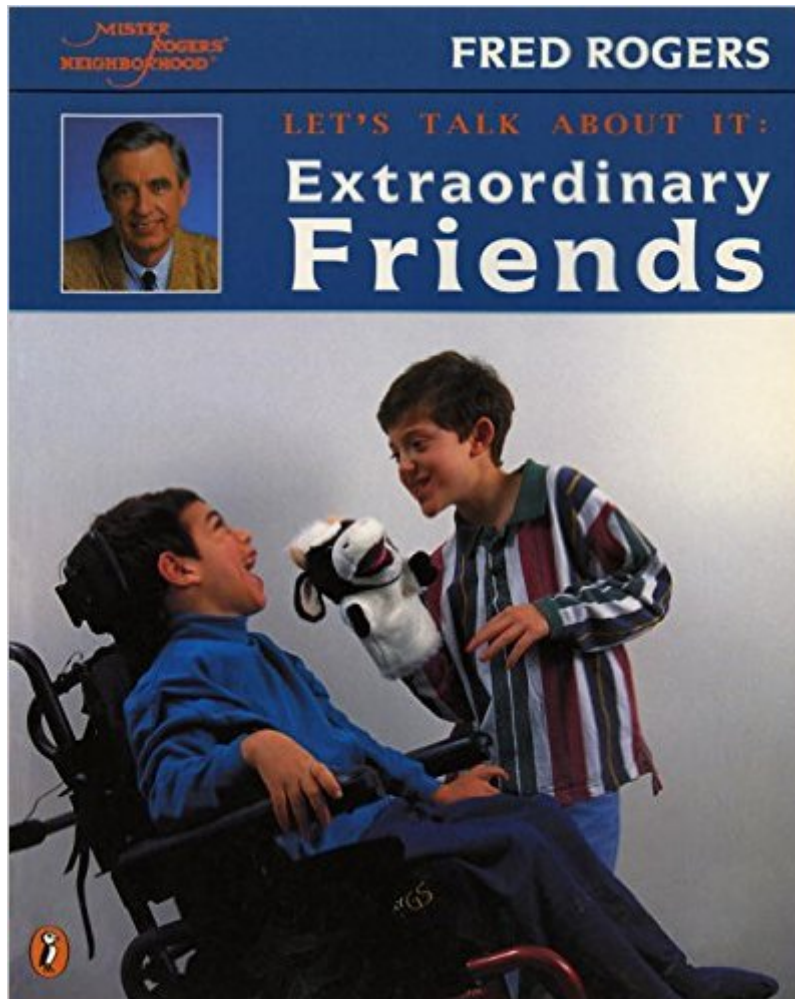


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Let's Talk About It: Extraordinary Friends (Mr. Rogers)



Synopsis

How do you get to know someone in a wheelchair? Sometimes it's hard to know where to begin. In his characteristically wise and gentle way, Mister Rogers challenges the stereotypes that often plague children with special needs and celebrates six children who are extraordinary friends.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

I ordered this book for my sister, who's 2 year old son has cerebral palsy. My idea was that she could place it in her local day care center that my nephew attends so that the other kids could have some of their questions answered about kids with special needs. This book really fit the bill..it is clear and concise, and seemed to address lots of questions that I have heard other children asking. Other than just seeing that something is "wrong" or different, maybe after reading the book they will realize that diversity is a part of life and that people with special needs can be just as fun and interesting as everyone else! The book really helped put into words what I would like kids to know about meeting and interacting with kids with disabilities. I also ordered "Someone special just like you", but found the Extraordinary friends book to be a much better choice for my particular needs.

Same review for all of Mr. Rogers' books. His work is genius, imo. The 40 honorary degrees, several Emmys and Presidential Award are for real. Wish I got to see them when I was a child. I do own this book.

Trust someone like Mr Rogers to put gently and truthfully a script acknowledging the reasons one might be afraid to get to know someone who looks different and show us how to get around that. Highlights how "normal" kids with different abilities are. I bawled like a baby the whole time and loved reading it with my kids, who didn't quite understand why mom was sobbing. So good. So lovely. Excellent resource. LOVE THIS BOOK. my children are ages 4 and 6 and it was perfect for I'd say ages 3-100.

This book provides an up front look at how to help children deal with meeting someone who is differently abled. It is worded so young children in preschool can understand what they should or could do if they meet someone who is different from them. The pictures provide an additional learning tool to discuss how the children are feeling on each page. Overall I think this book is a 5 star book and could be used just about anywhere!! Carla

This book is gentle reminder to children that no matter what people's differences or disabilities are, they still need friends and treated like we would want to be treated. It addresses typical questions a child might have when seeing a person with special needs, such as "Why is he like that?" "What happened to him?" and "How does he eat or get dressed?" Children are curious and want to know why someone looks different than them, and this book addresses that with suggesting to ask an adult or teacher when having such a question.

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