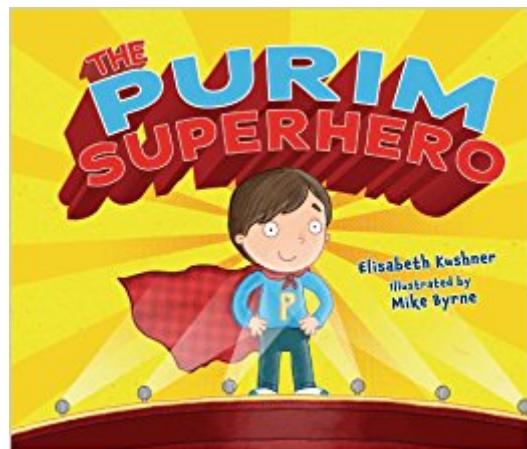


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The Purim Superhero



Synopsis

Nate loves aliens and he really wants to wear an alien costume for Purim, but his friends are all dressing as superheroes and he wants to fit in. What will he do? With the help of his two dads he makes a surprising decision.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

I heard about this book and could not be more delighted. It is an everyday account of a family with two dads. The challenge of the story is around the kid, Nate. Not around the two Dads.

In a powerful way, this story capitalizes on one of the main concepts of Purim- tolerance and acceptance of diversity. The story begins when Nate and his classmates are discussing the costumes that they will wear for Purim. Nate’s friends want to be super heroes while Nate would prefer to be an alien. Nate, like most children, would like to fit in and not be different from his friends. During a conversation with one of his fathers, he hears an important message. “Sometimes showing who you really are makes you stronger, even if you’re different from other people.” Nate also realizes that he is not like most other kids who have a mom and a dad. He has two fathers. Children reading this book will

understand Nate's dilemma and appreciate the decision that he makes.

I liked this book as an example of how a normal Jewish family operates around Purim. The connection to the actual Purim story is weak, but it's still cute, and a good message overall. The Abba and Daddy didn't surprise my two year old at all. He also still thinks he should dress up like a superhero because that's what older kids do.

Perfect for a 4 year old

First, it's a good story, written well for the target age group (4-9). Second, it conveys the essence of the Purim Story applied to the problems every child has to deal with, but it's not didactic or preachy. Third, the context is a supportive two-dad family, with a helpful sister too. Fourth, the illustrations are charming and clear. Fifth, the author is my daughter.

Very sweet book about being yourself and also figuring out how to fit in. And it's always great to have another representation of families with same-sex parents.

Maybe I didn't read the description right, but I felt totally let down when I read the book. I thought this was a book where the main character was to dress up like a superhero for Purim and then "save the day" sort of story. However, this was a story about peer pressure to be a superhero for Purim. I felt creativity was lacking a lot for this story and none of the characters were that amazing. I realize this is just a kids book, but I bought two other Purim books at the same time and they were wonderfully written. I would suggest The Barnyard Purim or The Queen Who Saved Her People. Both are much more clever than this one. Also, I bought the book to highlight the Purim season and there was only one page about the actual Purim story! All the details of it were left out except to highlight that she was brave. All in all, would NOT recommend it. I returned my copy.

This is a delightful story of a little boy who is struggling with conformity vs nonconformity in his school's Purim celebration. We were absolutely delighted to see a book about a Jewish family with a Daddy and an Abba, and it was very casually presented. We bought a copy and donated a copy to our children's school, a Jewish day school. Way to go, KarBen & Ma. Kushner! Great illustrations too!

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