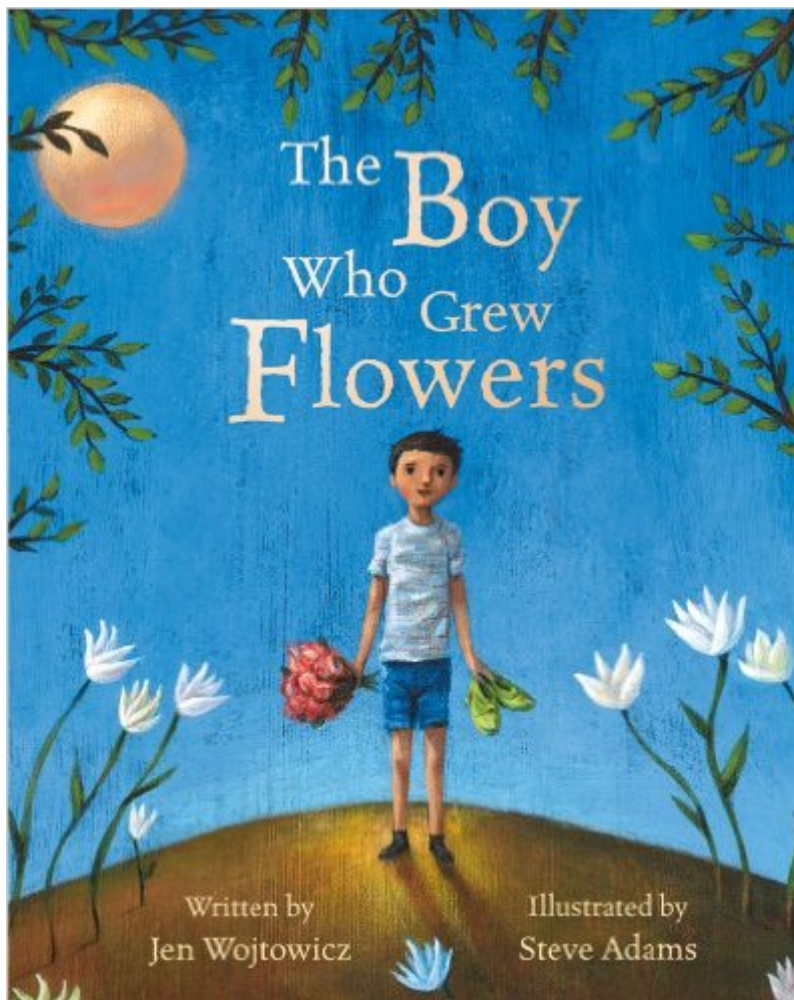


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Boy Who Grew Flowers PB, The



Synopsis

Rink is a very unusual boy who grows beautiful flowers all over his body whenever the moon is full. In town and at school, Rink and his family are treated as outcasts although no-one knows his strange botanical secret. But one day a new girl arrives at school, and Rink discovers she has some unique qualities of her own.

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Customer Reviews

Grade 1-3
Everyone in Rink Bowagons family is a little different. His uncle trains rattlesnakes and his siblings and cousins are all shape-shifters. The boy has a special quirkiness all his own. On nights when there is a full moon, he sprouts beautiful, perfect, fragrant flowers from his body. At school, he is quiet and shy, and the other children keep their distance from him. One day, Angelina joins his class and all of the students vie for her attention. She has her own gift and recognizes what a special boy Rink really is. Together, their story is one that celebrates individuality and self-acceptance. The illustrations are done in acrylics on board and the way the texture of the wood shows through gives the lovely paintings a folksy quality. The luminous scenes and soulful relationship between Rink and Angelina make this story a joy to read.
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Gr. 1-3. Rink Bowagon is not like other boys. Not only does he live on Lonesome Mountain, a "hotbed of strange and exotic talents," but he is shy, quiet, and sprouts flowers from his body during each full moon. Shunned at school, Rink keeps to himself--until a kind, honest girl named Angelina Quiz with a short right leg joins his class. Rink instantly likes her and decides to ask her to the school dance, painstakingly crafting her a pair of snakeskin party shoes with one extra-thick right sole to balance her out. When Rink shows up at Angelina's door with green shoes and pink roses in hand (they had previously sprouted from his head), her heart flips, and the rest is history. This quirky, beautifully told story of individuality, love, and kindness (and the benefits of corrective shoes!) is illustrated with soft, luminous acrylics on visibly textured board. Artful compositions, intriguingly varied perspectives, and a gorgeous palette make these whimsical, expressive paintings suitable for framing. An odd, lovely offering. Karin Snelson Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Quite simply, this is the best book we've ever enjoyed with our now-7-year-old son. We've read it countless times to him since we purchased it when he was 3 or 4. And we've given it as a present many times, and it's never failed to impress. The story's whimsical, Gabriel Garcia Marquez-like fantasy elements captivate everyone from the get-go and the beauty of the drawings and of the story's lessons of acceptance and love never fail to generate smiles and great conversations. There's even a few twists and turns; and we got to explain foreshadowing in literature! Now, our boy is reading it to us, and a whole new level of enjoyment is beginning. This is the ONLY book we've kept on reading and loving for this long. I wish I could rate it 10 stars!

Can't wait to use it on the first day of school

I bought this picture book for my young nephew (two years old). It's a bit advanced for him (although he was very excited just to receive a new book!) but I know I and his parents look forward to reading it with him as he gets older. It's wonderful to find a storybook with such a positive message about diversity and acceptance!

Great teaching tool.

This book came just as stated in good condition, i am very happy with this purchase.

We recently discovered Barefoot Books and I have to say that we are hooked!! The stories are unique and the pictures are simply WONDERFUL! Our youngest daughter is a budding artist so she adores these books! This has become the book she reaches for every night for the past two weeks!

i love this story. it's sweet style and voice, the message there. this is a book not to be missed. LOVE IT

My grandson loves it! Very lovely story.

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