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*Peace is making new friends*

*Peace is giving shoes to someone who needs them*

*Peace is a growing garden*

*Peace is having enough pizza in the world for everyone*

*The Peace Book* delivers positive and hopeful messages of peace in an accessible, child-friendly format featuring Todd Parr's trademark bold, bright colors and silly scenes. Targeted to young children first beginning to read, this book delivers a timely and timeless message about the importance of tolerance.

Along with the four other bestselling Todd Parr picture books debuting in paperback this season, *It's Okay to be Different* is designed to encourage early literacy, enhance emotional development, celebrate multiculturalism, and promote character growth.

## The Peace Book Details

Date : Published February 2nd 2005 by Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (first published 2004)

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# From Reader Review The Peace Book for online ebook

## Hannah Morrison says

Todd Parr is one of my favorite children's authors. His stories are always so simple yet meaningful. The Peace Book is something I would read to students of all ages, not just in elementary school. My students love the line "Peace is having enough pizza for everyone to eat". Although this is eluding to world hunger, my students found it terribly unfair that not all children can have pizza. His bright and popping illustrations add so much life to his books. Would always find a way to use this in my classroom.

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## Nke says

This is a good book to introduce the discussion of peace during RE or PSHE. Each page is a different meaning of peace from the author. It has great illustrations that are colourful and appealing to children. This would be a good book to explain how one word can have multiple meanings and different people interpret certain words in different ways. This book is suitable for lower KS2.

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## Kathryn (Nine Pages) says

Review first published on my blog, *Nine Pages* .

*The Peace Book* is all about good stewardship of the earth and care for all humanity. Peace is keeping the water blue. It's saying sorry when you hurt someone. It's helping a neighbor. It's exploring other cultures. It's fixing societal problems like homelessness and hunger. Illustrated in Parr's very bright, simple style, this is a book for everyone! Seriously, there's as much if not more in here for adults than the kids. It's a good reminder of the simple ways that we can bring peace to others and to ourselves and to the world, and also of the big things that we need to work towards fixing. "The world is a better place because of you." Was that a hijabi too, Mr. Parr? Not a lot of story to this one, but a lot of good, needed sentiments.

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## Tiana Valentin says

The Peace Book exemplifies what peace is. From saying sorry and making new friends to helping someone in need, Todd Parr lets all children know that peace is all about being happy and feeling free. There is no better world than one that is filled with peace and love.

Through Todd Parr's use of bright illustrations and lack of punctuation his message across the book truly flows. His repetition of the statement "peace is" truly reinforces the message behind the text. Overall, I would rate this book a 4 out of 5.

This book can be paired with the book What Does Peace Feel Like. Both books focus on different definitions of what peace is and gives peace a whole new meaning.

Quote: "Peace is being different, feeling good about yourself, and helping others. The world is a better place because of you!"

Todd Parr ends the book with this vibrant and inspirational message. This quote can be used to influence a writing prompt that gets kids thinking about other things that may bring about peace. It can also be used to have children discuss or write about ways in which they already contribute to the peace in the world around them.

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### **Mario Flores says**

Wow, this book made me smile and grin a bit, as I found myself enjoying how joyful and optimistic the author must have been when he wrote this book. My favorite quote from this book was, "Peace is being who you are." However, I did like all of the other examples of how peace is demonstrated to each other on a daily basis, and I hope to have this book in my future classroom, to teach kids about the different things that we can all do in order to live cohesively in peace. Markers appear to be used to illustrate the characters and scenes within this book, as the outlines of every object and/or person is outlined in bold. Still, I enjoyed the imagery and I hope to remember to purchase this book once I land a teaching job.

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### **Maria Shuffit says**

I had a hard time reading this book to my kiddo because he could not keep his hands off of it long enough for me to do so! Bright and attractive illustrations paired with a good message made this one a winner.

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### **Samantha says**

This book is incredible! It takes a difficult subject and breaks it down into pieces that not only make sense, but make it easier to discuss this concept with a child. "PEACE is being different, feeling good about yourself, and helping others." That quote just says it all for me.

Artwork is vivid and done in a childlike style.

This might be my favorite Parr book. It's eloquent and useful and he makes it look effortless.

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### **sæm?râ says**

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## **Jake says**

This book was about going from growing a garden to building a snowman. This book also was about friendship and teamwork. This book was all about "peace among us" in a very childish way. I have no interest in this book and i think a kindergartener should read it. I did not like this book because it was vey short and it had pictures. This book could have been better if it was a big fat book and more detailed. I would recommend this book to a K-Grade because it is short, good for their reading level, big letters and it has pictures.

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## **Keeley says**

I know plenty of adults who should read this book. Spot on, Todd Parr can do no wrong!

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## **Chance Lee says**



## **Heather says**

Everyone together: AWWW...

And now kumbaya.

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## **Amanda says**

Genre-Realistic Fiction

Awards-None

Illustrations- The illustrations are done with paint, they look like kids did the painting. This is appealing to me and I think would also be appealing for young students when reading this or having it read aloud to them.

Summary- This book is exactly what the title says it is, it is about peace.

My view- I think this book would be a great learning tool when trying to implement social/emotional growth.

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## **Erika Bowen says**

1. Book Summary in your own words

Todd Parr provides an introduction to the meaning of peace and the importance of living in harmony with people of all different cultures and backgrounds from all around the world.

2. Grade level, interest level, lexile

Grades: PreK-K

3. Appropriate classroom use (subject area)

Peace

4. Individual students who might benefit from reading

Students who are of different ethnicities. Students who have difficulty understanding that everyone is different.

5. Small group use (literature circles)

In small groups, students will be given a location in the world and will discuss how the people act there, what the values are.

6. Whole class use (read aloud)

As a whole class, we will discuss how we are different and how we are alike.

7. Related books in genre/subject or content area

It's Okay to be Different by Todd Parr

8. Multimedia connections (audio book, movie) available

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xohl5...>

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## **Lauren Waters says**

The sentences and ideas are so simple but important to spread the message of acceptance, kindness, citizenship and peace.

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