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## **Prince Noah and the School Pirates Details**

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## **From Reader Review Prince Noah and the School Pirates for online ebook**

### **Bp says**

I have read another book about Prince Noah which I reviewed here. This book had a good idea that all the children with differences could learn from and help each other. They were separated onto different ships for schooling. When they all were forced together by pirates, they make the best of the situation and realized they could help each other get out of trouble.

I did not like this book as much as the first one. It seemed the text was much too long for young children. I found it hard to follow and stay interested. It has a good point, and I get the message the author is trying to share. But I just didn't have a good feel for it when reading it really. I'm not a fan of pirates so that aspect didn't appeal to me either.

I received a copy of this book from the publisher for my honest review.

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### **Arwen says**

I found this book a little wordy for my 6 year old goddaughter. The story didn't move along very fast and often she'd be ready to change the page before we were done reading. I enjoyed the story about working together through differences and not discriminating based on disabilities. I don't think this book is nearly as good as Silke Schnee's, The Prince Who Was Just Himself. I think the message worked better than it does in Prince Noah and the School Pirates.

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### **Marissa Dunbar says**

I thought this was a really good book, the illustrations were colorful and exciting. I felt it was a little odd the way they set the ships up and which children went to certain ships and had certain activities assigned to them on those ships, like certain things they were allowed to learn. This is a great book for younger children, it is engaging and pulls the readers in.

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### **Diana says**

The author has cleverly structured a community of school ships that house kids that are different than normal children for their studies. Those who are blind or have trouble walking go to different ships, too. I think sometimes we compartmentalize special needs kids from a distance because they are different from us and we don't know how to interact with them... but I've learned that what makes us different makes us beautiful! While the students are isolated in their 'floating' schools, they quickly discover their own unique, special

giftedness and rapidly grow in confidence and strength with new discoveries in seeing what they do well. Later on, a conflict arises through a storm at sea whereby a group of pirates took command of all ships. Learn how dancing, learning and laughing together brings strength and unity through diversity. I love this very inspirational story for children and parents from this brilliant author. It's a great addition to the home and school library. The illustrations are quite nice, too. I plan to give the book as a gift to my grandson Noah (whose name is like the main character in the book) because he has a special need's big brother whom he loves dearly who has Cornelia deLang Syndrome. Together they enjoy learning and exploring the pirate life of adventure! Young readers will be reminded of the power of kindness and working together as a team. Great book!

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### **Michelle Jinnette says**

This is a sweet children's book. No one is alike; we all are different. Some of those differences are just more noticeable than others. In this book, Prince Noah shows the other kids that everyone has a place and to use what we know to benefits those around us. By working together, all of the children make a difference and change the perceptions of "this is how it's always been done" to "let's start something new." This book is geared towards children but I think even adults can take away something positive and uplifting.

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### **Nicole Meeks says**

I loved this book and I recommend that everyone reads it! I have a sister who's Autistic so this book means so much to me. I just love how it's got people with all kinds of disabilities (Blind, handicap, etc). It's something no one really talks about and that's what this world needs more of. Kids can learn that no matter how different a person seems they are just like everyone else. That they can make big things happen and save the day. I really appreciate this book with all my heart. Thank you for writing this book.

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### **Linda Walters says**

What a lovely book. I was going to say what a lovely "little" book, but the actual size of the book is on the larger size. If you check the Amazon Information page you will see that the size is, 8.5 x 0.3 x 11 inches. That made for larger pictures being able to be a part of the book, which I think would be attractive to the children. The adventure is easy to follow and a fun element to the story. All the children having value, and being able to do so much more than expected was done in a good way. As was the final part of all the children working together to overcome the problems that came up.

I wish that there would have been books like this when my children were little but I'm glad to see more of them becoming available now.

I'm keeping this book until I either give it as a gift or donate it to a place where it will reach the most children.

It's a valuable resource.

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review.

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### **Jalynn Patterson says**

About the Book:

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My Review:

That time of year is approaching, the time for teachers and books. So what an appropriate book to read to our little's. This sweet book entitled Prince Noah and the School Pirates. It's about a little boy that is ready to start school but things don't seem as great as he thought it would be. This is a precious book, who's setting is set in a faraway land where children go to school on large sailing vessels instead of schoolhouses.

Well it isn't long into the school day before pirates climb aboard and now the children are afraid of what will become of them. This is a story perfect for a bedtime story. It is full of action and intrigue. This is really for those early readers and younger ones will enjoy if being read to. The grade level for this one is 3-7 and ages 4-9.

\*\*Disclosure\*\* This book was sent to me free of charge for my honest review from the author.

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### **Create With Joy says**

One of the most important lessons that we can learn in life and pass on to our children is how to appreciate the differences of those around us. Just as we want our children to know that they are loved and valued for who they are, we want them to love and appreciate others for their unique qualities as well.

That's the beauty of Prince Noah And The School Pirates – the sequel to The Prince Who Was Just Himself. In the endearing story, Prince Noah – a prince with special needs – goes to school for the very first time.

He's very excited about the prospect of learning new things – but soon discovers that the educational system is not quite prepared to deal with the needs of special children like him!

When a crisis arises, however, Prince Noah and the children must learn how to collaborate and use their unique set of skills to save themselves and save the day!

Prince Noah And The School Pirates is an incredibly inspirational and empowering book to share with a child – especially a child who feels marginalized or bullied because they do not fit in with a preconceived set of expectations or who stands out because they are different than the children around them in some way.

I loved this story and highly recommend this book to you!

This review is an excerpt from the original review that is published on my blog. To read my review in its entirety, please visit [Create With Joy](#).

Disclosure: I received a copy of this book from the publisher for review purposes. The opinions expressed in this review are entirely my own, based on my assessment of this book.

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### **C.E. Hart says**

One thing I love about fairytales is the values and attitudes they teach our young. Children's stories aren't presented with a "the moral of this story is..." anymore, but instead, the messages are deeply woven within, speaking to the heart rather than the ears.

*Prince Noah may be a little slower than others, but he has no less joy in living and learning.*

**Prince Noah and the School Pirates** tells an adventurous story from the pirate days of long ago. Schools for children, which take place on ships rather than buildings, are segregated depending on gender, abilities, or disabilities. One ship for girls, one ship for those who can't see well, one for those who have trouble walking, etc... After some time sailing the seas, pirates take the children captive and board them up in a tower. Can the children discover a way of escape?

This tale is wonderfully crafted, with rich illustrations, imagination, and dialogue. The children ultimately learn that working together with their own special abilities makes the group stronger. Labeling people only weakens the whole, because we all have unique talents and gifts to offer.

At the end of the book is a short yet fascinating bio of the author, revealing the inspiration and heart of her books, making the story all the more stirring.

*Author: Silke Schnee*

*Publisher: Plough Publishing House*

*Series: Prince Noah Book 2*

*Target age: 4-9 years*

*Pages: 32*

*Opening Line: One day, Prince Noah wandered into the castle kitchen.*

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### **Sierra Kisiday says**

This cute illustrated fairy tale shares appreciation for children with Down syndrome and other developmental challenges, making it a valuable aid for teaching tolerance in the home or classroom. I really found this story nice and sweet and really relatable and i loved it.

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### **C K P says**

Fascinating and creative approach that can appeal to almost any age who can read it.

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### **Tammy G. says**

Dilke Schnee writes a story about a sweet boy and his classmates. The interesting thing about this story is that it's geared toward Down Syndrome and disabled kids and how they learn.

At times the story is funny, like at the beginning when the cook asks Prince Noah to crack eggs for the chocolate cake. Three eggs are on the counter but Prince Noah cracks seven eggs.

The author writes about children who have a hard time with math facts, children who wear eye patches and how quiet they are on the ship.

There is a ship for kids with one leg, a ship for kids who are slow learners, well, there are so many ships and no one know how come so many ships came to have so many different meanings.

And then the storm hits and all the kids realize that they can only survive by helping each other.

A sweet story of imperfect kids who are perfectly willing to love and help each other. A good lesson for us all. Since no one is "perfect." We all need to help each other.

\*This book was provided for review by Handlebar\*

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### **Corey says**

I received a copy of this book from a Goodreads First Read Giveaway. Honestly, I had no idea what this book was about when I submitted my giveaway entry. I literally judged the book by the cover because I was looking for books about pirates for children at the time. That being said, I am glad I did submit an entry. The book discusses how children in a kingdom are separated into school ships based on their differences. One day during the school year, the children are all combined into one large group when they are kidnapped by pirates. If they are to escape, they must work together as one. They are shown that although they were all separated based on their differences, those differences are strengths that make the collective stronger and more functional, enabling them to accomplish together what they could not have if they had remained separated. This is a great book to show children that their differences are not something to hide or be ashamed of, but rather something to embrace. If all of the children had kept their skills to themselves and the

others like them, then the story would have ended much differently and their lives would have remained boring. I think this is a good book for opening up a discussion with children about some of the ways they may be different from others and how to embrace those differences.

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## **Meagan Myhren-bennett says**

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Illustrated by Heike Sistig

When Prince Noah shows an understanding of numbers after helping out in the kitchen, it is decided that he should go to school. But school in Prince Noah's kingdom is very different than school here.

Prince Noah's school was on-board a ship. But everyone was divided onto different ships based on whether they were boys, girls, or had something different about them. Each ship taught something different, but you couldn't go to a different ship you had to stay on the one you were assigned to.

But when all the ships were blown off course into pirate controlled waters all the children and their teachers are in trouble. Thankfully the children work together with their unique skills and talents to save the day, themselves and their teachers.

Being captured by pirates showed the kingdom that each person can have something important to share, but sometimes all the pieces and parts have to be combined to make a real difference. The little prince who saved the kingdom has helped once again to change how people perceive differences. Never again would the children be separated on different ships of learning and each would be able to pursue the talent they were born with.

This is a delightful story in working together and not seeing only the outer layer, but instead seeing the person who is within. This isn't your normal princely tale but one that is invaluable in teaching a lesson that we all can use. Would be a welcome addition to any children's section of the library.

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