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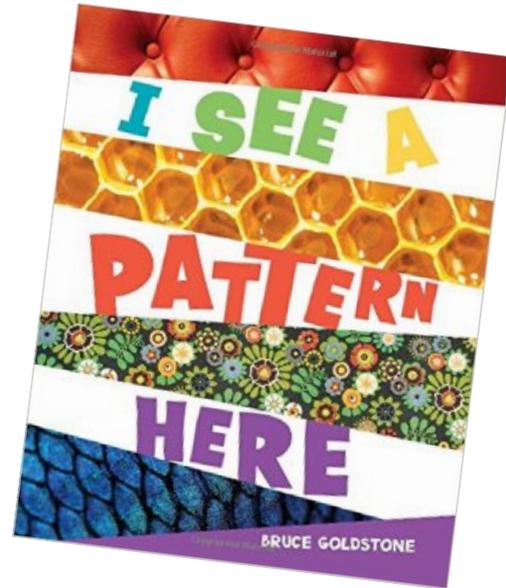
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Book Review

Title: I See a Pattern Here
Author: Bruce Goldstone
Reviewer: Liz Kazandzhy
Publisher: Henry Holt and Co. (BYR)
Publication Year: 2015
ISBN: 9780805092097
Number of Pages: 32
Interest Level: Primary, Intermediate
Rating: Outstanding



Review

I See a Pattern Here is a book that explores the nature of patterns in all their varieties. Explanations and examples are given of slides, turns, flips, symmetry, sizing, and tiling, and the final page presents a mosaic of all the patterns together.

The title and topic of this book is rather simple, and yet the author has managed to turn it into an exciting, fun, educational, and interactive experience. Every page is full of colorful, crisp images, and the text is simply written and also employs color to emphasize key words. Beyond learning just about patterns, readers can discover new math terms thanks to the MathSpeak bubbles presented throughout the book. They can also become more culturally and geographically aware, since the author often interspersed examples and patterns from a variety of cultures. Questions and activities are presented occasionally, like drawing lines of symmetry or completing patterns, giving readers the opportunity to apply what they are learning. This book is certainly a wonderful resource to teach children about patterns, and adults might even learn something new as well.