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Horrible Bear!

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Book Review

Title: Horrible Bear!

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Publisher: Roaring Book Press

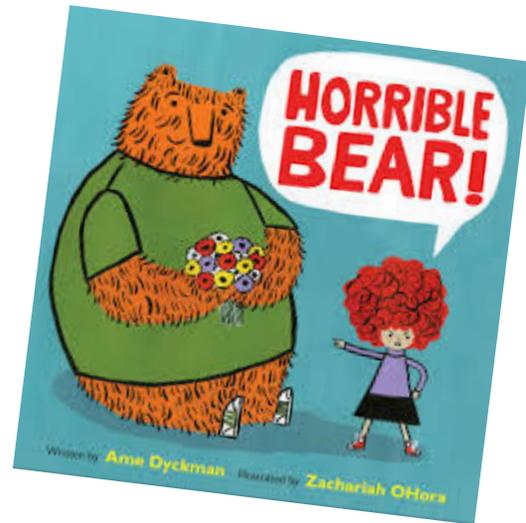
Publication Year: 2016

ISBN: 9780346282833

Number of Pages: 40

Interest Level: Preschool

Rating: Outstanding



Review

Bear accidentally rolls onto a girl's kite and breaks it. What a horrible bear! Or is he? The little girl certainly thinks he is! She yells about how horrible Bear is all the way home and complains to her stuffie. But while she's telling her stuffie about what happened to her kite, she accidentally breaks him. Realizing that Bear probably didn't mean to break her kite, she apologizes and they both learn to forgive each other.

This book's bold illustrations are created with acrylic paint and feature thick black lines and solid colors. Both of the main characters exhibit reactions and emotions that many young children are familiar with. Whether they've been blamed for something they did accidentally, or did the blaming themselves, this book may help young children to see things from the other person's point of view. This book has clever narration and endearing characters. This is a well-crafted and enjoyable book with a lesson that is perfect for young audiences. Highly recommended!