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Book Review

Title: This Train
Author: Paul Collicutt
Reviewer: Kristie Hinckley
Publisher: Farrar, Straus and Giroux
Year: 2016
ISBN: 9780374377199
Pages: 28
Interest Level: Toddler
Rating: Outstanding



Review

Bright trains zip by and teach young readers about colors, opposites, and rail riders. With simple wording that is age appropriate, *This Train* focuses on the theme of opposites: fast and slow, uphill and downhill, day and night, etc. Toddlers become acquainted with comparison through text and remain engaged by the bright colors, fine-tuning their color recognition abilities.

Extremely appropriate for toddlers, *This Train* provides a new look at opposites that young readers will want to experience on repeat (and parents won't mind reading on repeat). The last page gives an educational experience as well, naming the technical titles of each of the trains included in this board-book. More advanced readers or parents can satisfy their curiosity concerning the trains they just saw and learned about by discovering deeper information about them. *This Train* is an excellent addition to any home, classroom, or library.