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While strolling through the forest, Big Brown Bear finds the perfect cave to call home. He later notices that humans have their own caves (garages), too. The only difference is that their caves are filled with stuff, so Bear decides he probably needs to fill his cave with stuff to make it a proper home. Bear fills his cave with so much stuff, he can’t even have his friends over! With the help of his friends, Bear makes a tough decision and decides to return all the stuff. He finds that his cave is much more of a home when he is able to fill it with friends.

Yuval Zommer has created a darling book with a message for young readers to keep a tidy living space. This book would be a wonderful opener to having a discussion with children about why it’s better to create memories with loved ones, rather than filling time with toys and gadgets. For the adult readers, it’s a great view on living a minimalist lifestyle and moving away from consumerism. While the story plot is somewhat dry, the illustrations are bright, creative and fun. Collectively, it’s a sweet story to remind us what truly matters in life.