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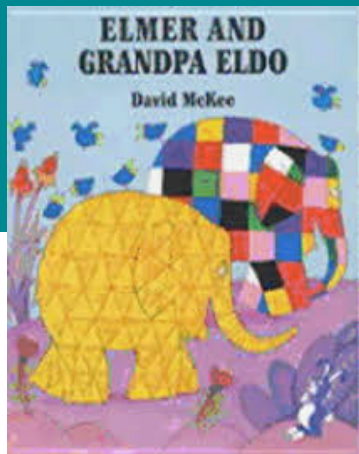
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Book Review

Elmer and Grandpa Eldo

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Rating

Excellent

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Toddler, Preschool

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Even grandpa elephants never forget. At least, that's what beloved multi-colored elephant Elmer comes to find out in his latest adventure, featuring his Grandpa Eldo. When Elmer sets out to visit Eldo, he's not sure how much Eldo will be able to remember about the activities the two used to do together. However, as the story unfolds, Elmer discovers that Eldo's feigned forgetfulness is all just a ruse—and a way to play some good-natured tricks on Elmer! By the story's end, Elmer is onto his grandpa, and the two rejoice in the most important memory they could have: being together!

The palate-ranging, vibrant pictures in *Elmer and Grandpa Eldo* are sure to captivate preschool-aged children. The book features the same hand-drawn, endearing illustration style as the other books in the Elmer series. The central message of the book seems to be one of attempted intergenerational unity: that children can have a good time with their grandparents and shouldn't assume age-related stereotypes. Applicable as both a bedtime story and a preschool classroom read aloud, *Elmer and Grandpa Eldo* helps get children be excited about interacting with grandparents and to value their elders. This book leaves readers with the sweetness inherent to positively portrayed family relationships.