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What do you see? As you experience New York City through the eye of a nine-year-old girl, new perspectives emerge. The young girl notes colors, shapes, textures, designs, reflections, stories, and outlooks through the lens of her camera. Her viewpoint is playful, thoughtful, and sometimes unexpected. Just as the girl’s dad teaches, ‘it’s not what you look at—it’s what you see.’

Vaswani easily captures the intricacy of perspectives in this vivid yet simple picture book. The first-person point of view draws the reader in and challenges them to see what she sees. Vaswani uses metaphors and precise language to depict the actions and thoughts of the little girl. The large, lively photographs support the text and carry new meaning. The author’s note at the end of the book explains her writing process. This book would make a great read aloud and mentor text. It begs the question: how would you capture what you see?

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Excellent

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Preschool, Primary

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