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### The Day the Crayons Quit

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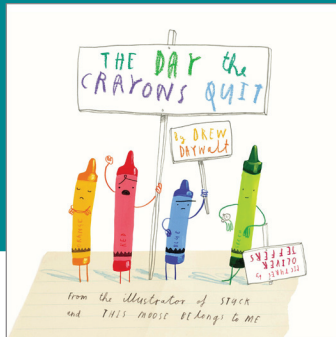
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## Book Review

# The Day the Crayons Quit

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### Rating

Excellent

### Level

Preschool, Primary,  
Intermediate,  
Young Adult

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### Pages

31

### Year

2013

### ISBN

9780399255373

### Publisher

Philomel Books

Duncan has used his crayons up to their breaking point. When he finds a stack of letters in his desk, he discovers that all of the crayons have quit. Red, Blue, and Grey are being worn down to the nub. Yellow and Orange are arguing about the true color of the sun. Beige and Pink just want a chance to shine, and Peach needs some new clothes. In the end, Duncan meets every request in a beautiful crayon masterpiece.

This work explores both opinion and letter writing. With the help of a few angry crayons, this story will motivate readers to write and express their feelings on issues that need attention. With each letter, the personality of the crayons shines through with the creative illustrations and colorful language. Not only does this story demonstrate good persuasive writing, but it encourages readers to think outside the crayon box to state what really matters.