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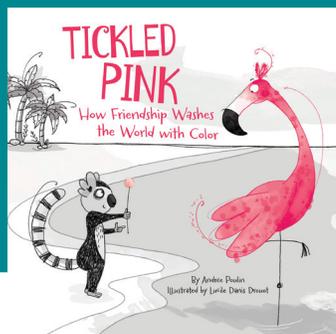
Book Review
Tickled Pink

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Excellent

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Filippo is a pink flamingo that does not want to be pink. When Zac the zebra and Poncho the panda do not accept the color of Filippo's feathers, Filippo just wants to gain acceptance. He tries to reason with them and even resorts to painting his feathers black and white. After an entire day of failure, Filippo is approached by a lemur who encourages him to accept himself the way he is. Together, they embrace pink and even get the other animals to join in on the fun.

Sharing how friendship can triumph over physical differences and encouraging others to feel comfortable in their own skin, Poulin teaches readers how to develop self-acceptance. They can also learn how to extend acceptance and build it in others. Zac and Poncho's demeaning attitudes could be considered bullying, so this story can spark discussion about how to be a friend. The illustrations are charming and emphasize the differences between the animals. The pages are filled with black-and-white drawings, with the exception of Filippo's fuchsia feathers, until at the end when other animals are pink as well.