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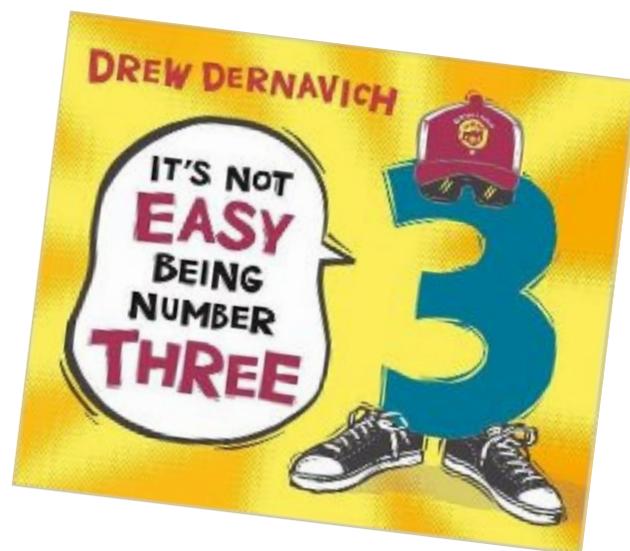
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Book Review

Title: It's Not Easy Being Number Three
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Rating: Outstanding



Review

Number three has decided to abandon ship! Tired of his many responsibilities as number three, he sets off into the world to find a new job. Number three tries many different jobs, including being the toes of an elephant, the wings of a seagull, shoes laces, a coat rack, and even the anchor a large ship. After trying many new positions, and still not finding something that was just right, the number three realizes that he's needed back as a number. He returns to the other numbers, much to their relief, with a new sense of purpose and dedication.

Children and adults will giggle out loud as they search for number three in the illustrations and read about the new jobs number three is attempting. This is a very fun way for children to study the number three. Their ability to recognize it and remember what it looks like will greatly increase as they explore the original illustrations. The level of creativity behind this book is amazing! Additionally, this book provides a great opportunity for parents to discuss the idea that we each have an important role to play in our families, our communities, and our world. Just like number three didn't feel valued in the beginning, he learned that his job was an important one and that, yes, he was needed.