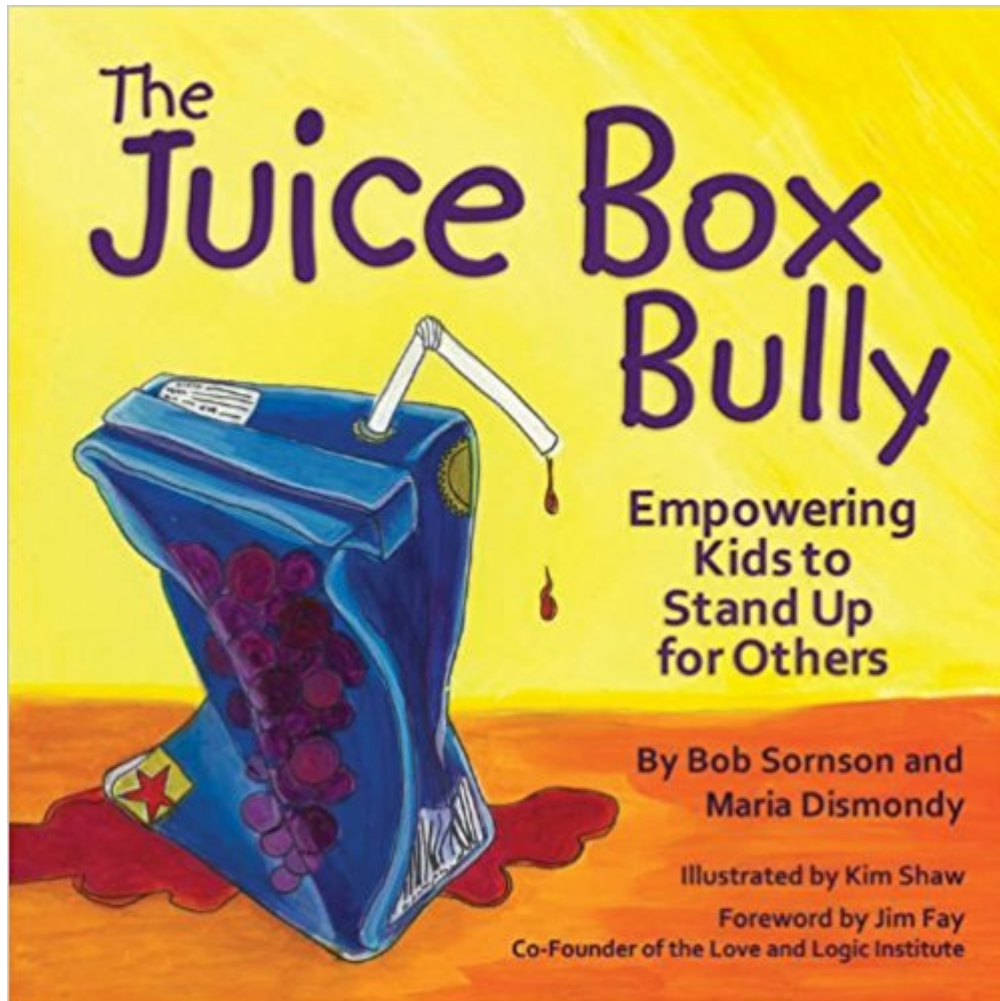


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The Juice Box Bully: Empowering Kids To Stand Up For Others



Synopsis

Have you ever seen a bully in action and done nothing about it? The kids at Pete's new school get involved, instead of being bystanders. When Pete begins to behave badly, his classmates teach him about "The Promise". Will Pete decide to shed his bullying habits and make "The Promise"? (Bob Sornson and Maria Dismondy)

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Customer Reviews

My review and perspective as an elementary school counselor:Bystander. If you've ever used a bullying curriculum then you've seen that word. Over the years I've REALLY struggled finding a decent lesson plan or book to explain this term to kids and what it means in the world of bullying. Maybe you've had this problem too. Well, look no further! Juice Box Bully is an awesome new book and has already made quite a presence in classrooms.It's always rewarding to look at the students and see how much they're relating to a story. Lots for them to soak up in this one. The language is not overdone, it makes concrete sense. The story is centered around a new student, Pete, who is using bullying behavior the first day of school. The other students observe this and intervene with kindness and assertiveness."And, I'm not a bystander," Ralph said. "I don't stand by and let mean things happen."Nothing greater then reading a book with EMPOWERED kids in it. "The Promise" is

what empowers them to do the right thing when it comes to bullying. It's a pledge to stand up to bad behavior. The first line is, "I WILL speak up instead of acting as a bystander." Love it. One student asked me, "Do we have "The Promise" at our school?" We definitely have a pledge but it's not specific to bullying. Inspired me as the school counselor to get on it!! also pointed out how, Pete, the new kid was using bullying behavior his first few days of school but kids didn't turn him into an outcast or label him for life. They all took "The Promise" and were committed to helping him become a caring classmate. They didn't judge him, even in the midst of a conflict. So the next time I use the word bystander in a real life situation with kids, they'll know what I mean and remember their own promise. And that's thanks to this fabulous book.

I had high hopes for this book perhaps too high. As I stated it was "just okay." Great message but the delivery was less than realistic. They have got to come up with a book where all the children don't come around in the end. Then kids can start dealing with that reality openly. Otherwise they can't take our efforts to end bullying seriously. Very sweet book if you want the perfect scenario where the bully sees his ways and changes on the spot.

"The Juice Box Bully" adds a new dimension to my weekly lessons for 2nd and 3rd graders. Most character education programs I have observed/read about focus on establishing high expectations for student behavior and appropriate interventions by the teacher. Both of these are absolutely essential components, but "The Juice Box Bully" takes it one (very important) step further by illustrating that kids can acquire skills to solve their OWN problems. There is a surprising twist to the story when one of the kids reminds the others that treating people fairly applies to the bully as well (what???), while he makes it clear to the bully that he also must adhere to the class promise. Too many times, I've seen just the opposite, that children who bully others are demonized by the other kids, something that actually feeds more negative behavior. This simple story illustrates to kids a fundamental truth, that stooping to the level of the wrong doer does not solve the problem.

The premise of "The Promise" in "Juice Box Bully" reminds me a lot of "The Secret" in that if we express our desires to be better than before, the universe will respond. Similarly for kids, making "The Promise" means that we start to care more when we see something wrong... such as bullying. So often, passive inaction can be the beginnings of what I call "the ostrich syndrome" of ignoring wrong-doings by others. This book teaches kids an important lesson in being actively scrupulous... and it echoes the wisdom of Gandhi: "Be the change you wish to see in the world."

This is a decent book about bullying. I like that it addresses the issue of being a "bystander" and stepping in and sticking up for people. However, the entire scenario of the classroom pact, etc., is a little far fetched and hard to explain when you are consoling a child that is being bullied. Not my favorite.

This book is ok. It's so hard to find a good bullying book that isn't cheesy. This one is maybe a bit better than most, but not a book that I love to read to my students.

I thought this was a wonderful book that would be a great read for the first week of school. It is a wonderful resource that encourages children to make good choices and be aware of others feelings. It promotes kind behavior as acceptable and unkind behavior as something that should not be accepted or rewarded by others - power in numbers. There are many books written that address bullies, but this book is different in that it also covers bystanders. It makes the reader understand that it's not alright to sit back and watch a bully. The concept of bystanders is often a difficult one for young children to grasp, but this book explains it nicely for elementary listeners or readers. In *The Juice Box Bully*, the children of Mr. Peltzer's class meet Pete, the new kid in school. Pete quickly acts the part of the bully. The class does not stand by and just let Pete bully. Instead the class has made a pact to stand together and stop bullying. Their willingness and courage to stand up for not only the kids being bullied but for the bully himself, makes their school what it should be, a safe place for all to learn and grow. Teachers, check out "The Promise" at the end of the book. 8 Powerful statement you will want to share with your classroom. "The Promise" helps children be empowered to take a pledge to stand up to bad behavior. What a wonderful tool for your classroom. Read the book and discuss "The Promise" on the last page. Post "The Promise" in your classroom. Work together as a class the first week to write a "Promise" for your classroom as well. Become a classroom community that CARES!

Empowering kids to stand up for victims is truly a skill kids need to stop bullying once and for all instead of encouraging or enabling the bullying behavior. LOVE THIS BOOK - gets the message across w/the story - and gives ideas for how to follow through.

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