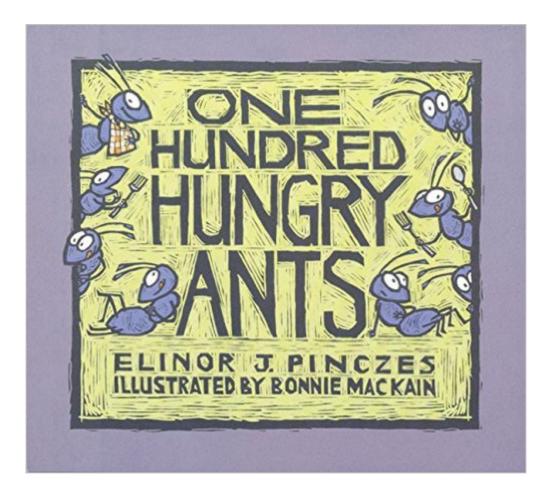
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One Hundred Hungry Ants





Synopsis

Hi dee ho! It's off to a picnic we go! One hundred very hungry ants hurry to sample the delights of a picnic, but marching in single file seems too slow for 100 empty tummies. The smallest ant of all suggests they travel in 2 rows of 50, four rows of 25 . . . and the division begins. One Hundred Hungry Ants is not only a spirited and whimsical story, but also serves as an enjoyable visual introduction to math.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 650 (What's this?) Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: HMH Books for Young Readers; Reprint edition (September 27, 1999) Language: English ISBN-10: 0395971233 ISBN-13: 978-0395971239 Product Dimensions: 0.2 x 9 x 8.2 inches Shipping Weight: 3.5 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (58 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #27,406 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #80 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Bugs & Spiders #91 in Books > Children's Books > Early Learning > Basic Concepts > Counting #2138 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction Age Range: 4 - 7 years Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

My kindergartener and I were talking about money, one day, and he volunteered that he'd learned that ten dimes make a dollar when his kindergarten teacher read "One Hundred Hungry Ants". This book has no discussion of money, but it teaches that 100 equals 2 times 50, 4 times 25, 5 times 20, and 10 times 10, just the right lesson for him at that time. The rhythm of the rhyming works pretty well, and the pictures are very clever, adding a lot of enjoyment to the story. This one is worth reading again and again, if that's the kind of child you have.

This book was sent home with 100 unifex cubes to use along with the book. We used the cubes as the ants. We started off with one line of 100 cubes (as the ants). Then, in the story, they split into 2 lines of 50, so we split our cubes, too. Then, 4 lines of 25, and so on.... Excellent book to use with

the cubes to demonstract how many different ways to make 100.

What a wonderful tool for teaching multiplication, division, and grouping strategies! The ants march in 1 group of 100, 2 groups of 50, 4 groups of 25, etc. This book is useful and enjoyable for all elementary classrooms. Students love modeling the ants' groups, drawing new patterns, and even writing a new (happier) ending for the story.

I really wanted to like this book and it had me up until the last couple of pages. The art is great & I like the tempo of the story as the ants divide into shorter & shorter rows in order to make better time but the ending is a total let down! The story leaves you with the impression that math is useless and is a waste of time. The ants reap no reward for doing the smart thing and are even mad at the little ant that suggested dividing up. The ending implies that they would have made it to the picnic in time if only they hadn't wasted all that time dividing into shorter rows - ultimately not a positive math message at all. I like a good quirky kids story where thing don't end the way you might expect & not everyone is nice but this one falls short of quirky & just ends on a bad note.

My son LOVES this book! It is now one of his favorites, along with The Greedy Triangle. My son is high-functioning autistic and is obsessed with numbers - he loves to play with calculators, adding machines, and cash registers. So this book was right up his alley. He seems to be understanding the math lessons behind the book, as well, so it is both entertaining and educational for him. Highly recommended for math-curious kids.

Waiting to give a presentation to my daughter's 5th grade class, I spotted ONE HUNDRED HUNGRY ANTS on display in the library and had enough time to read it and loved it! I wrote down the title and returned to my office to order additional copies. One for me and one for my vice president. But not for the fabulous graphics or the math concepts. Rather this story also has a "strategic business" spin...at least I was able to draw that interpretation. In fact, because of my mind-set, I saw this story as a great example of what can happen when leadership and strategic focus are not strong! While you may eventually get to your destination, will it be in time to reap the desired outcomes and rewards of your plan? Or will the continual process checking and redirection ultimately became a roadblock to success. The same can be true in many life and business situations. It's a message that I found particularly relevant and clearly presented in a fun and enjoyable format. There may be many books about math, but I have yet found any that go beyond 10 or sometimes 20. I found this book interesting, fun and quite beautiful with its slate blue muted tones. I thought the graphics where so calming. The added bonus was my 7 year old daughter enjoyed the book and wanted to read it over and over!

This book is fabulous and a staple in any good elementary classroom. I love teaching arrays with this book. I use pattern tiles and 1cm graph paper to create the different arrays and then cut them out and place them on display to understand multiplication, addition and area. I used a visual software called Kidspiration 3 to create these arrays on the Smartboard. (Digital Interactive Whiteboard)

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