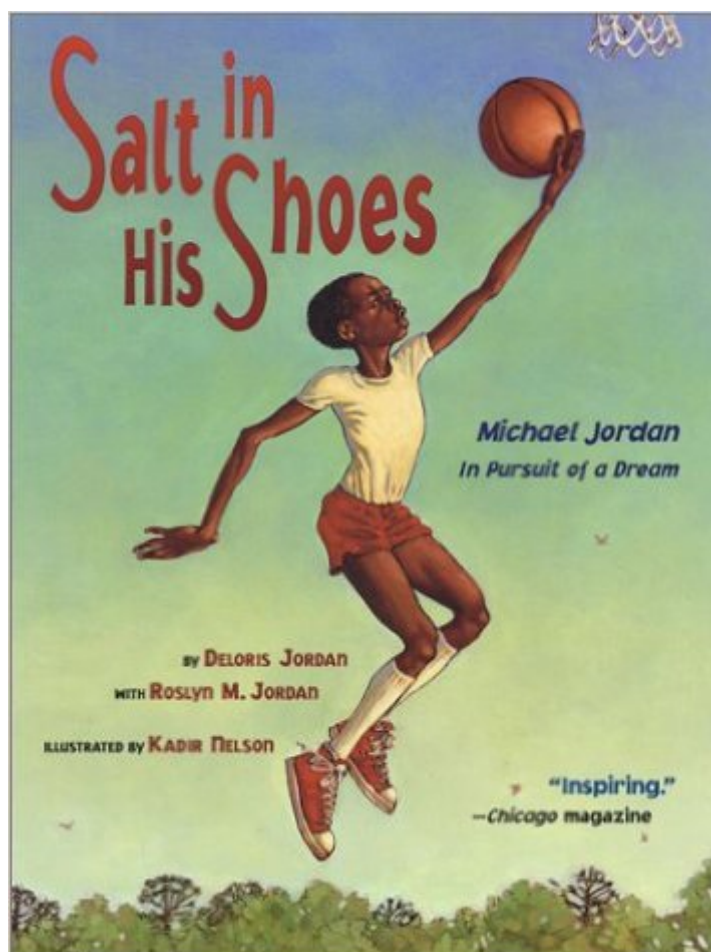


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Salt In His Shoes: Michael Jordan In Pursuit Of A Dream



Synopsis

Michael Jordan. The mere mention of the name conjures up visions of basketball played at its absolute best. But as a child, Michael almost gave up on his hoop dreams, all because he feared he'd never grow tall enough to play the game that would one day make him famous. That's when his mother and father stepped in and shared the invaluable lesson of what really goes into the making of a champion -- patience, determination, and hard work. Deloris Jordan, mother of the basketball phenomenon, teams up with his sister Roslyn to tell this heartwarming and inspirational story that only the members of the Jordan family could tell. It's a tale about faith and hope and how any family working together can help a child make his or her dreams come true.

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

I saw Deloris Jordan and Roslyn Jordan interviewed on one of the morning shows and was anxious to get this book and share it with my second graders. I was not disappointed. I'm always looking for real life role models to tell the kids about and Michael Jordan and his determination to achieve his dream really fit the bill. It had so many elements in it that are important for today's kids...ignoring bullies, looking to your families for support, not giving up, keeping your eye on a dream, knowing what you want in life. I hope that my students remember the lessons taught in this fine story and at least begin to learn what can be achieved.

I had the privilege of meeting Mrs. Jordan and Roslyn at a recent booksigning in Chicago. To hear both these amazing ladies speak, was inspirational and makes one realize that Michael Jordan's family is also the salt of the earth. Furthermore, in their remarks, they stressed how they are just an ordinary family who happened to raise an extraordinary talent; however, their family was, and continues to be, the source of his strength, determination, and self-confidence. Not only is the story told in "Salt in His Shoes" inspiring to children, it has basic lessons to which a person of any age can relate. The book is wonderfully illustrated, and the text is lively and endearing. How wonderful that Mrs. Jordan and Roslyn shared this family story with us, emphasizing that while Michael was the center of the story, the lessons of the book go beyond Michael Jordan because it is all about family.

This is a wonderful story -- and would be even if it weren't about such a star -- about a scrawny little kid who keeps trying and trying and trying, all the while encouraged by his very loving family. I bought it because I loved the jacket and the illustrations -- but am reading it again and again to my little boy because he always asks to hear it. It's inspiring and funny and just a neat book.

This book fit perfectly into my young tutee's schema for Michael Jackson and the game of basketball. Before this boy came to read that day I had placed a salt shaker on our work table. When he completed his reading he hurriedly untied and removed his shoes and began shaking salt into them! Now, here is the part that can make grown educators cry: he said that he would be sure to shake salt into his shoes on the day of the PARCC test! What has the science of education come to? We all know the answer to that question: "THE SUITS have taken over!" and have made a real mess of things.

Wonderful story about Michael Jordan and his family. Easy to read and heartfelt as the story explains what may happen if you believe in yourself and are willing to work hard. AND, this book is written by two women who know Michael Jordan very well, his beloved mom and sister. The perspective and interest changes dramatically as I read to children Salt in His Shoes and end the story by pointing out who wrote the book. I have read this story to several groups of children and it does not surprise me when I am requested to read it a second time immediately after the first time. The illustrations compliment the words. The facial expressions, hand, and leg muscles, body movement, and much detail all add to the story. A great read with a great message.

This book was recommended for 10-12 year olds. This age group is reading chapter books which this book certainly was not, it's a cute picture type book with a nice story but way too easy reading for a 10 year old good reader.

Awesome book! I just love it for so many reasons!! This boy is a happy, well adjusted kid with loving parents who parent him creatively because he is smart. Leaves your kid feeling happy and encouraged.

We love this book- of course, we're children of the MJ era, so I love reading about his childhood (however accurate it may be), but the story overall is great for kids - emphasizing hard work and patience for success. Very encouraging, uplifting story that's also a lot of fun. Very appropriate for 3-4 year old level, up through older kids who will understand some of the underlying messages more clearly. Great illustrations, as well.

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