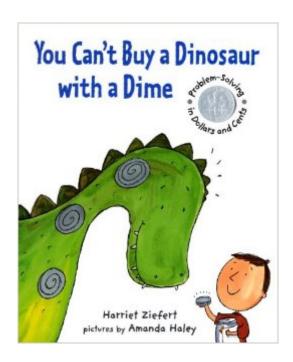
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You Can't Buy A Dinosaur With A Dime





Synopsis

Clink, clink, clink, clink, clink, clink, clink, clinkity... Money saved in a bank makes your brain think-thinkity! Children are fascinated by moneyhow it looks, feels, smells, and most of all, what it buys. And Pete is no exception. The rhymed verse describes how Pete saves his allowance, spends too much of it, has second thoughts, and starts over. Young readers will not only applaud Pete's decisions, but join him in his computations as he saves, spends, and strategizes over future purchases. The lively combination of fact and fiction, plus humorous art, will prove both thought-provoking and thoroughly enjoyable.

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Customer Reviews

You Can't Buy a Dinosaur with a Dime, tells the story of a boy who wants to buy a toy dinosaur but has to earn enough money to buy it. It takes the reader through the coming and going of his money as he works toward his goal of buying this dinosaur. This book would be a great introductory book for such math concepts as addition, subtraction, multiplication, money and decimals. It also exemplifies the importance of responsibility and hard work. Along with its concepts, You Can't Buy a Dinosaur with a Dime, provides several little activities that a teacher can do to coincide with the book. The children really responded to the illustrations in the book because of their vibrant colors. They also liked the money talk because some of them had piggy banks so they could relate to the boy in the story. When I become a teacher, I will definitely reference this book when I teach these math concepts.

This book is written in rhyme which will make it fun for younger children. It mentions different denominations of money and how we need to add our coins to see the total we have, so there is an introduction of Math as well. I especially liked that the story addressed how little Pete felt when he first spent all his money on the new dinosaur. (New Dinosaur VS Empty Piggy Bank) I think children all need to go through the experience of desiring something, buying it, and then wondering if it really was a good purchase after all. As the story goes on, Pete receives money for household work, allowance, finding coins on the street, and selling products to friends which gives children ideas on how they can actually obtain money (aside from a birthday gift). This also gives parents flexibility if they do not believe in allowance and paying for housework. These parents can highlight the other ways mentioned that children can earn money. In the end after saving again, Pete returns to the store but has learned the lesson to spend in moderation and thus chooses a smaller dinosaur. This is a great introduction for children on how money works in today's society. One thing not mentioned was the possibility of using your money as a donation to charity. Amanda Haley has done a wonderful job with bright entertaining pictures and Harriet Ziefert keeps the text moving at a good pace ensuring this book will be a true story and not another dreary book about money!

It is never too early to start a child learning money handling skills. This book is a cute way to begin teaching a concept even adults have a hard time understanding.

Wanted to use this to teach economics, and it was rather a fizzle than a bang.

Cute book and a good lesson for kids!

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