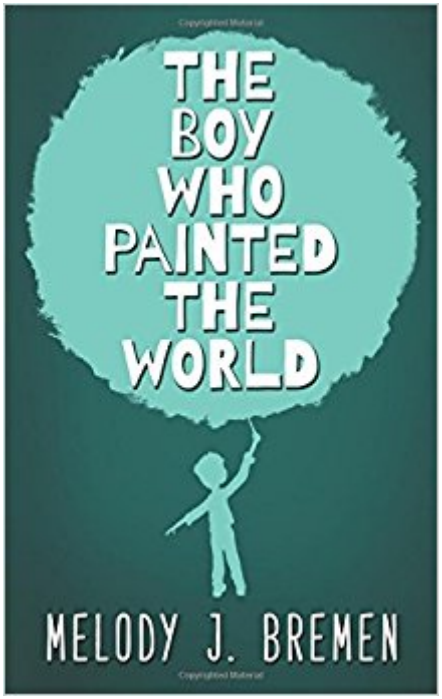
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Synopsis

Indigo is a boy with a dream. He spends his mornings in a refrigerator box, his afternoons shoveling snow, and his nights in the basement of a homeless shelter. But during every free moment, he draws and dreams of becoming a famous artist. His best friend Jade looks after him, but she is arrested for shoplifting and heÃ¢â ¬â„¢s left all alone. With his box of pencils under his arm, he sets out on a quest to search for Jade and discovers a whole new worldÃ¢â ¬Â¦ full of the art he loves. His journey brings him friendship, family, and the courage to hold onto his dreams.

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Customer Reviews

Self-named Indigo, deserted by his mother on the streets when heÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s five yearsold, captures your attention, from his relationship with Jade, a street-wise girl who helps him with food and shelters, to his intense love and artistic ability to create pictures of everything he sees. His talent for finding his own ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“homes,ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â• from an empty refrigerator box behind Burger King to a kidÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s tree house, his ability to get jobs of mowing grass or shoveling snow, his appeal to the people he meets, whether it was personal charm or his artistry, was almost unbelievable.You find yourself admiring his courage. His final challenge, to paint the huge wall mural, seemed a bit implausible. Especially at the age of ten. But the author captures your attention to see how Indigo will carry out his long-held dream.

It was an interesting book. A sad story yet it had a happy ending. It's a story of an abandoned child and an older teen who finds him and takes him under her wing. It shares about how homeless kids live and made me feel sad. But it does have a good ending.

But really, sometimes you just need that. A simple, heartwarming story in which you know everything will be OK. Perfect comfort reading.

My daughter is 10 and spent her entire day (It’s Summer mind you!) reading this book. I have never read it but this is her review in her own words.--A little sad in the beginning, but truly motivates you to keep on going and never give up. Even when things get tough! Everything seems easier if you compare it to what indigo (The main character) has to go through. It really inspires you to create things and make a difference. I want to grab my paints right now! I like that all the characters had to go through something hard. They all had completely different trials, but you see that everyone has a story and hardships to deal with. Warning: Don’t eat chicken nuggets while reading this book! I recommend this book for ages 10 and older. I mean it! Even if you are 100 years old this is a book you should read!

I think this is one of the best middle grade books I have read this year!We start with a boy left to wait for his mum (who has a few issues). She doesn’t return. Jade takes him under her wing and he soon thinks of her like a mother. He spends his days doing odd jobs for lunch money and pencils then spends the rest of the day drawing in box behind Burger King, while he waits for Jade to finish her days work. They make it through by living day by day. That is until Jade is caught shoplifting and taken away. Indigo is left to discover the world alone. I really enjoyed the reality and innocence of Indigo’s character. I wanted to wrap him up and take him home. But someone else that... an artist. Indigo is an artist too. They connect in an amazing way and he decides to paint the world... you will need to read to find out what this involves. The concept is brilliant. The writing is engaging. The characters are unique but real. I connected with most of the characters in this book and quickly became a part of Indio’s world.This really is worthy of any school library’s shelves.

I got The Boy Who Painted The World by Melody J Bremen for my 12 year old grandson and decided I should read the book first just in case my grandson shouldn’t read it because it wasn’t appropriate! I am so glad I read this book myself because this book was very enjoyable for any middle grade children and anyone else including my age as a senior citizen! Just for the lessons learned by this boy during the different stages of this boy’s life from the age of five years and up, this book is worth reading! Why a mother would abandon her child is beyond me, but the people he meets are outstanding enablers that help him and are my favorite characters in their own way! I will

be sure to get my grandson to read this book!

Thoughts: This book was out of this world. I thought this book would be okay, but nothing prepared me for this. I loved how Melody J. Breman made every single thing in the book, whether it was small or big, seem like you knew what was happening, when you really didn't. There was tons of surprises. I also loved the main character - Indigo - is always able to find the silver lining, or look on the bright side of things. This was very inspiring, making Indigo a great role model. For example, when Jane, his best freind, (spoiler) got arested for shoplifting, Indigo never gives up, and, even in the worst of times, still follows his dreams. Overall, this was an amazing, emotional, realistic fiction book.

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