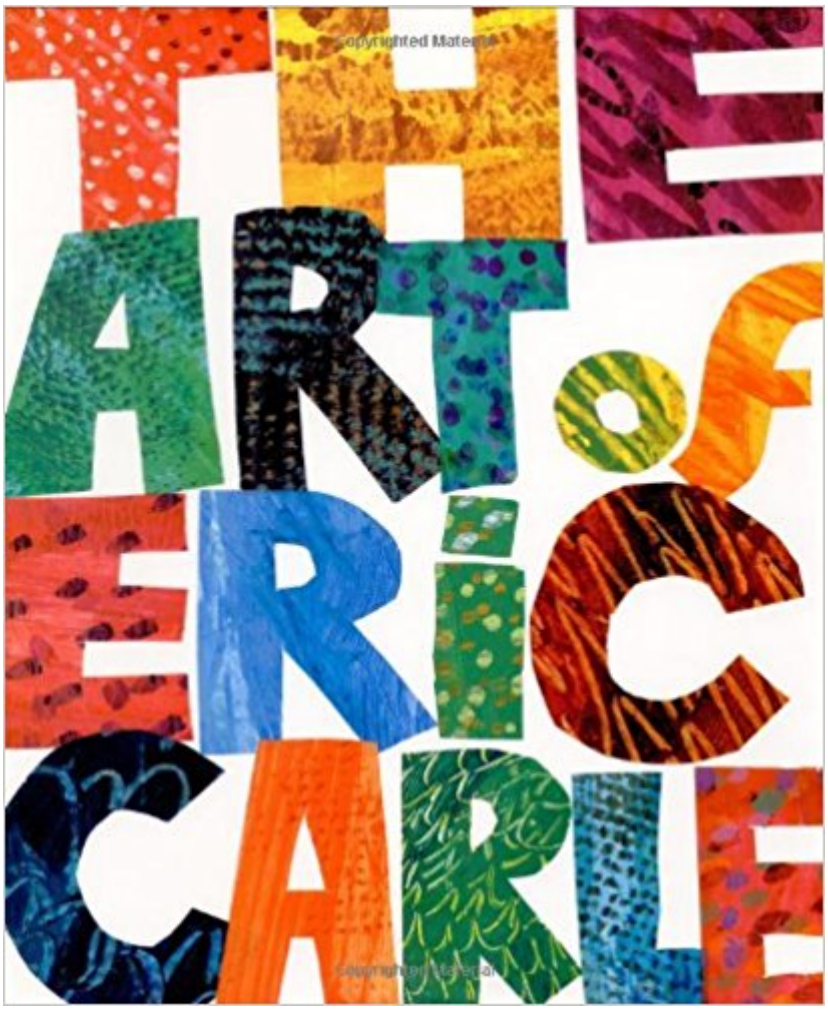
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This highly original collage of words and pictures by and about Eric Carle echoes Carle’s artistic style, hailed by one contributor for its "powerful simplicity. . . clear shapes. . . bold colors. . . and the stories that teach without being didactic." Central to the book are Carle’s autobiography, a reprint of his 1990 Library of Congress speech, and his art-a photo essay, book illustrations, and an international bibliography. Other voices add shading. A brief introduction, for example, in which Carle’s American editor recounts their working relationship, provides critical context. His German editor examines the dramatic elements in Carle’s stories. And a Japanese art curator speaks of colors "far beyond any human sense of color." Like Carle’s books for children, the inviting page design encourages careful consideration of what he calls his "dabs of color"-the personal and

professional influences upon artistic style. The book will engage adolescents and adults already familiar with Carle’s work, but it is especially suited to professionals interested in the origins of creativity.Sue Burgess, Framingham (MA) State CollegeCopyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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Before I purchased The Art of Eric Carle, I was acquainted with his books as an advocate for early literacy in the early childhood education field especially The Very Hungry Caterpillar. As an educator and life-long learner, I wanted to know the motivation and art expertise behind the colorful images dispalyed on each page of his published works. Eric Carle tells his story starting with his discovery of living creatures while exploring with his dad and than creating what he saw onto paper. He was encouraged as teachers recognized his art ability at an early age. He never forgot the kind words and the sacrifice of mentors who shaped his world even during the harsh years spent in Germany during World War II. He revisits the happiness of his early childhood and frames his story and pictures with positive messages and beautiful illustrations that have endured over forty years. The Art of Eric Carle gives parents and educators insights into the hands-on process in creating his artworks but most rewarding is his love, respect and understanding of young children around the world.

Just what I was looking for! Very pleased!

I bought this book for my collection of art books for children. I also bought this book for me. I wanted to know how Eric Carle created such amazing illustrations. You can read this book and then experiement with children to make some incredibly fun art. It is a very unique way of producing art and the children can produce amazing "child-produced" masterpieces. I highly recommend this book for teachers, especially. Your students will benefit from your knowledge of Eric Carle’s secrets to success and the children will love to look at the pictures in this book!

Gift for an art teacher. She loves it!

Beautiful, perfect...I love this book!

I love this book. It’s like the Eric Carle Museum in a book. I do a complete author on Eric Carle with my class of five year olds. I love to tell them about Eric Carle’s life and how he became interested in nature and who inspired his art.

For those of you who love Eric Carle, his art and stories, this book is a must have. A "coffee table" book that allows you to enjoy and cherish the work of this very creative artist and author. Only thing better would be to have one of his original drawings! Reading Eric Carle with my sons when they were small was definitely one of our favorites things of the day.

The Art of Eric Carle is a wonderful book about the art of children’s book illustration. It gives great biographical information on Eric Carle, one of the most beloved of children’s book artists, and insight into achieving greatness in creating children’s picture storybooks. For teachers of children’s literature or potential authors of children’s books, this is an indispensable volume.

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