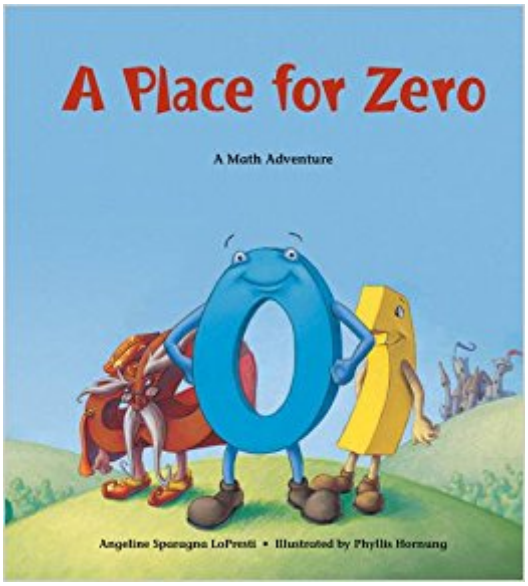
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Synopsis

Zero is lonely in Digitaria. He can’t play Addemup with the other numbers, because he has nothing to add. What’s a digit to do? Join Zero as he goes on a journey to discover his place.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Grade 2-3-This story about sad Zero, who "felt he had no place among the other digits," falls between the cracks in terms of finding an audience. In his search for meaning, he meets Count Infinity, King Multiplus, and Queen Addeleine. The lively, colorful cartoons of legged numbers would appeal to preschoolers or kindergartners, but the vocabulary, concepts, and puns ("Absolute nine-sense. It’s two much!") are beyond their understanding. There are also a few confusing lessons, such as Zero’s explanation that "When I stand in this place, next to my friend 1, as a zero I can represent zero 1s. But he now represents 9 + 1." Given the art, it’s unfortunate that the author didn’t stick with beginner-level math instead of proceeding to tackle multiplication and place values. As it stands, most readers will either be confused or feel patronized. Stick with Alexandra Wright’s Alice in Pastaland (1997) or Cindy Neuschwander’s "Sir Cumference" series (both Charlesbridge) for your math-story needs.Gay Lynn Van Vleck, Henrico County Library, Glen Allen, VACopyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of

this title.

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This is the cutest book. My first graders loved it. It really helped them catch on to the value of zero. They also introduce alot of new vocabulary for students. The graphics are nice as well. It is a 32-page story, took us two days to read just get the anticipation of what would happen.

The author’s idea of humanizing numbers with feelings and giving them feelings allows the reader to empathize with the plight of zero and delight in him finally finding a place to feel useful and special in many levels.

Using this to show kids how 0 has a place and is valuable. Place Value - important for students to understand.

My children and I enjoy reading this story. It makes learning place value fun.

Children learn how to count to ten but zero is forgotten. I love how this books gives zero the important place it deserves.

Math books are hard to find. But this is a good one, it is not the best i have seen but it does get the point across to the students, although some find it a bit confusing at first.

very good!

I use this book with K-2nd graders to introduce the properties of zero in a story-like manner. The illustrations are colorful and bold, the text is appropriate for this age group, and they creatively include all the properties of zero in the story. My only criticism is that unlike outstanding math concept books such as Demi’s One Grain of Rice and Anno’s Mysterious Multiplying Jar, it isn’t as fun for an adult to read aloud, being a bit forced in areas. This limits the book to a younger age

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