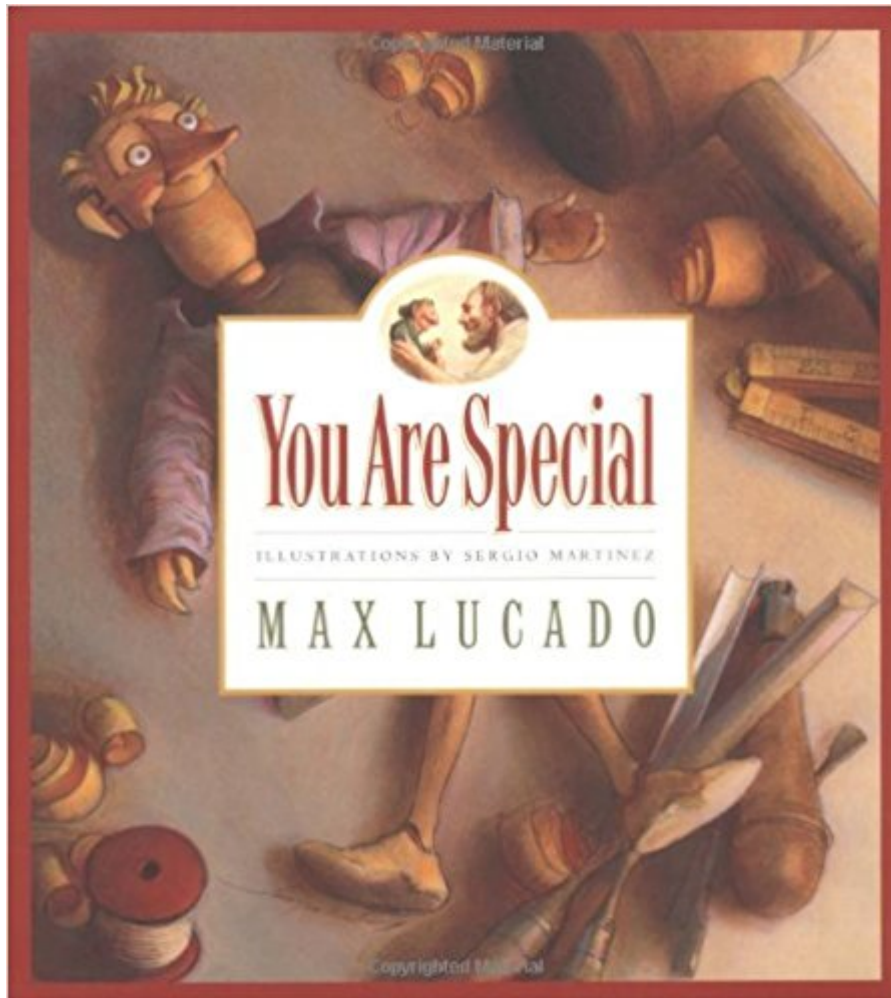




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You Are Special (Max Lucado's Wemmicks)



Synopsis

Every day the small wooden people called Wemmicks do the same thing: stick either gold stars or gray dots on one another. The pretty ones--those with smooth wood and fine paint--always get stars. The talented ones do, too. Others, though, who can do little or who have chipped paint, get ugly gray dots. Like Punchinello. In this heartwarming children's tale from the best-selling pen of author Max Lucado, Eli the woodcarver helps Punchinello understand how special he is--no matter what other Wemmicks may think. It's a vital message for children everywhere: that regardless of how the world evaluates them, God cherishes each of them, just as they are. This tale originally appeared within one of the chapters in the award-winning children's bestseller *Tell Me the Secrets*.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

Max Lucado (MA, Abilene Christian University) serves as the minister of preaching at Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, and is a best-selling author and speaker. His award-winning books have been translated into more than fifty-four languages and he has been named one of the most influential leaders in social media by The New York Times. Max lives in San Antonio, Texas, with his wife, Denalyn, and has three daughters and one granddaughter. Sergio Martinez was born in Mexico City, studied art in Paris, and has worked as an art director and illustrator on three

continents. He has done freelance illustrative work for Disney Press and other major publishers, and has illustrated internationally renowned gift editions of several literary classics including Peter Pan, Pinocchio, and A Christmas Carol. His classic style graces the pages of many children's books including Crossway's best-selling children's book, You Are Special, also written by Max Lucado.

I love the story! My 3 star rating has nothing to do with the story, it is because of the paperback's really small size. I should have checked before ordering but it is only about 4x6 inches and the beautiful illustrations are really hard to see because they are tiny. Also forget about trying to read the paperback version to 2 kids because they will constantly be climbing over you trying to see the illustrations.

This was probably the most impactful book of my childhood, as I took the theme of the book to heart, and I was able to apply the meaning of the book to my life while I was navigating a difficult time in my life where I felt that I was being given many "gray dots." I always remember thinking as a little girl, "I want to be like that lady Wemmick, who didn't let any of those dots stick to her--whether good or bad." It reminded me that I had to run to my Maker to be reminded of who I truly was, a beloved one of His creation--that was what I was to be defined by, not what my peers thought of me. I will read this to my children and any other children I get the chance to.

THIS BOOK IS ONE OF THE MOST WONDERFUL BOOKS THAT I HAVE EVER READ. IK LOVED IT. I AM GOING TO ORDER ANOTHER ONE OF MAXS BOOKS THEY ARE WONDERFUL I WANT TO BUY ALL OF THEM AND THEM THEY HAVE TO READ BY EVERYONE KIDS AND GROWM UPS ALIKE THIS MAN AND HIS WEMMICK STORIES ARE TRULY GIFTS FROM GOD, AND GOD IS SMILI NG DOWN AT HIM WITH PURE SWEET LOVE FOR MAX AND FOR HIS BOOKS AND LOVE FOR EVERYONE. GOD BLESS MAX LONG MAY WE ALL LOVE THESE SWEET BOOKS.

I love this book! I bought it for my grand-daughter because of the wonderful self-esteem message. I didn't realize she already had a full-sized paper page copy, but now, she has a board book that she can carry around and "read" herself!

Two stars for the paperback size, 5 stars for the story.I bought 4 of the paperbacks to use as gifts since I remember reading this wonderful story to my kids. The paperback is way too small - 4.75"

wide by 6.25" tall. I could live with the size but the delightful illustrations are all black & white. (Or I should say brown and cream.) If I'd seen either of those two details in the description, I wouldn't have gotten the paperback. Didn't think to check reviews - which I'm usually a NUT about - because I thought I knew what I was getting. These gifts are headed back to .

If there were only one book of Max Lucado's that you read, make it this wonderful children's book. I have given this away more times than I can count. It is particularly helpful for kids, teens, and adults. Oops, I guess that is everyone. But I especially keep an extra copy on hand for those I meet who are struggling in the area of self-esteem because of family issues like alcoholism. Too often we forget that God made each of us unique, and that it is God's approval, not the approval of others that we need to seek. While I love all of the Wemmick books, my other favorite is "Because I Love You" which discusses our personal freedom to walk away from God. Excellent resources, even better than the adult stuff (which is very good) that Max writes.

This book was purchased as a gift for our child after having read a free copy of it. **STORY** This is a well-written story teaching children and adults about how their personal worth is NOT derived from whether someone else likes or dislikes you or whether you excel or fail at sports and other activities. It outlines a little wooden doll's experience becoming depressed over the way others look down on him and how he meets his Maker and realizes that his value is rather based upon the fact that his Maker made him to be just who he is. It is an excellent story to read to your children. It is also used by psychologists and counselors to help adults with self-esteem issues. **ILLUSTRATION** The book is beautifully illustrated. I hope this review will help you in your decision to purchase this book. You will be glad that you did!

A nice little parable about pleasing God instead of people. Well illustrated, not preachy but direct enough so the point is hard to miss. Typical Max Lucado, but with illustrations and suitable for both children and adults.

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