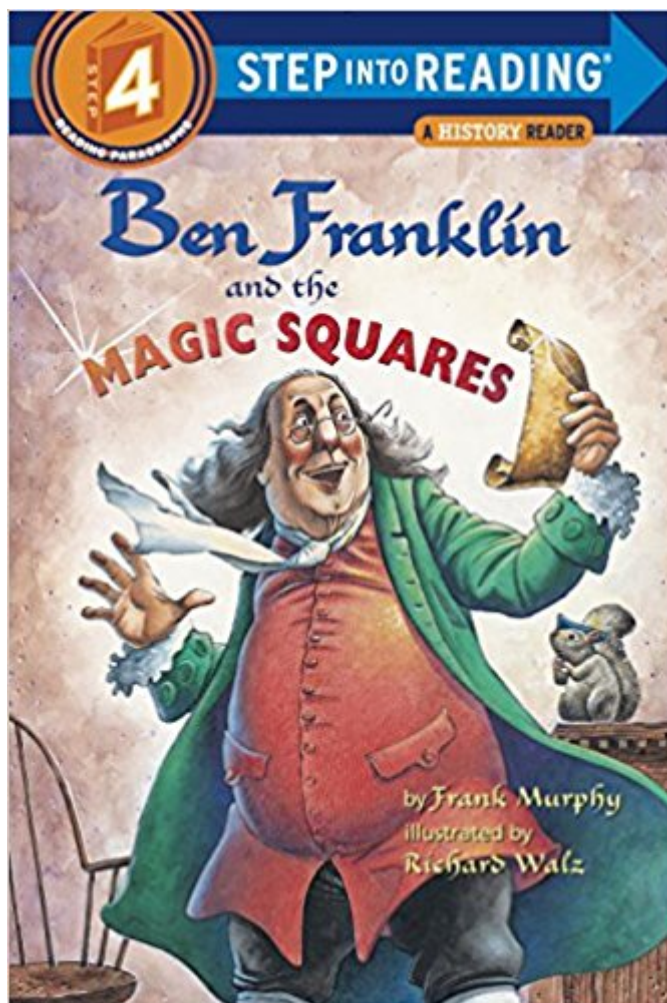


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Ben Franklin And The Magic Squares (Step-Into-Reading, Step 4)



Synopsis

A funny, entertaining introduction to Ben Franklin and his many inventions, including the story of how he created the "magic square." A magic square is a box of nine numbers arranged so that any line of three numbers adds up to the same number, including on the diagonal! Teachers and kids will love finding out about this popular teaching tool that is still used in elementary schools today!

Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

Customer Reviews

Gr. 2-3. In this lively offering from the Step into Reading + Math series, young readers will learn about both Benjamin Franklin and magic squares--square grids of numerals in which all the numbers in any vertical, horizontal, or diagonal row adds up to the same sum. The text introduces Franklin as a smart, curious kid whose ideas led him to "inventing cool things"; as a witty, intelligent man whose ideas were the seeds of America's first library, fire station, and hospital; and as a "super busy guy" who amused himself during meetings of the Pennsylvania Colonial Assembly by creating magic squares. An appended section offers step-by-step directions for those who want to construct their own versions of the mathematical puzzle. The engaging, informal style of the writing and the colorful, cartoonlike illustrations make this a playful but solid choice for introducing young readers to

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"This book is...enjoyable and nutritious... classic literature in comic book form. Bravo! Bravo, Frank Murphy! Bravo, Richard Walz!" -- Daniel Pinkwater, Contentville.com, May 11, 2001

My Grandson, liked the story, and the bonus was learning the math trick, he;s shown it to all the family members-big hit!

My grandson (6 years old) loves it

Another good ,interesting book.

The book presents an overview of this fascinating man's life. It does not go into too much depth, but enough that it presents an interesting story. It give brief glimpses into his remarkable life and accomplishments. If you are teaching your kids about the Founding Fathers of this nation, this is a great start. Each of the Founding Fathers were highly educated and complex men, not people you can easily toss one label on and that's it. Ben Franklin is no less than the rest. Only thing missing was his birthdate, so your child can get an idea how old he was at each stage. It mentions at 11 he invented swimming flippers (and year), but later, it does not give a sense of how old he was when he was working on the Declaration of Independence or how old he was when the Revolutionary War was over nor does it mention his language abilities nor his post war foreign relations (excluding the ladies, of course). Granted, this was a bio plus math intro book. but I would have liked to have seen even brief mentions of other parts of his life.

A brief description of some of Franklin's famous ideas and inventions but with a lesser-known idea related to Franklin--the magic square. This is a fun skill for kids to learn and a new way to introduce them to Ben Franklin.

My 6 year old loves it and wants to be an inventor. I even learned some things about Benjamin Franklin. I actually like the other parts of the book better than the magic squares section. But you should buy it. It's really fun.

Great book and very informative for a young reader! I recomme

This is a great book my 7 year old has read it several times.

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