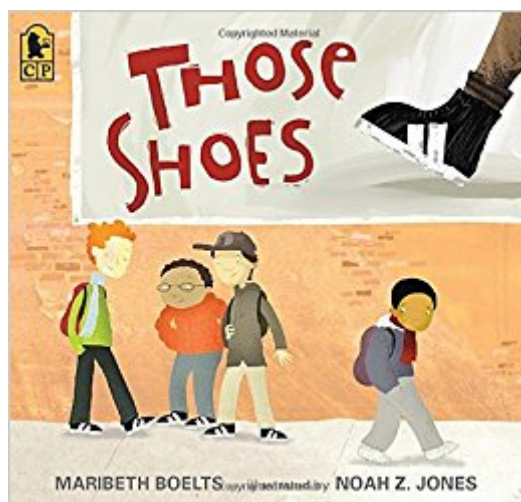


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Those Shoes



Synopsis

"In this witty, wise picture book, Boelts presents a kid's-eye view of a consumer fad that rages through school at gale force." -- Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books (starred review) All Jeremy wants is a pair of those shoes, the ones everyone at school seems to be wearing. Though Jeremy's grandma says they don't have room for "want," just "need," when his old shoes fall apart at school, he is more determined than ever to have those shoes, even a thrift-shop pair that are much too small. But sore feet aren't much fun, and Jeremy soon sees that the things he has -- warm boots, a loving grandma, and the chance to help a friend -- are worth more than the things he wants.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

"A poignant, thought-provoking book." -- School Library Journal 12/01/2007 "Whether children are on the shoe-owning or the shoe-envying side of the economic line, they can sympathize with Jeremy and rejoice in the way he eventually resolves his problem with his too-small shoes." -- Horn Book, The 11/01/2007 Blue Ribbon Award, 2007 -- The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, Charlotte Zolotow Award, Highly Commended Book for 2007 -- Cooperative Children's Book

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Maribeth Boelts is a former preschool teacher who has written numerous books for children. She lives in Iowa with her husband and three children.Noah Z. Jones is the illustrator of NOT NORMAN: A GOLDFISH STORY, THE MONSTER IN THE BACKPACK, and WELCOME TO THE BED AND BISCUIT. He lives in Maine.

This book was a wonderful book to get my students talking about those people in their communities who maybe less fortunate than themselves. The students really empathized with the main character and the storyline invited a worthwhile discussion. I teach Second Grade, but most children would like the story and could relate.

What a great story. Coming from a poor family and being significantly smaller than other children my age, almost all my clothes & shoes were hand me downs from friends and were often a little childish for my liking. I was Jeremy in this story. I was choked up holding back tears. Tears of sympathy and then of pride for this young boy. Enjoyable story with some great messages. Excellent conversation with my 4 year old. Highly recommended!

I am a youth and family therapist and realized that issues surrounding gratitude started to pop up regularly in my practice. let me just say, i am SO thankful that i read this book at home prior to bringing it to work and reading it in session because about 1/2 way through i realized where the story was going and began to get teary. by the end of the book, i was crying like a baby!! it's an emotional roller coaster!! pheweeew.

One of the best book I have purchased. I actually saw this as one of a list of 10 books that teaches kindness to children which this one really does. I highly recommends this book.

I am a school social worker for an elementary school. The kids love this book. They can relate to it. I use it to teach them to be considerate and mindful about the economic situations of others that may not be as fortunate. It also has a very powerful message at the end that teaches children about selflessly giving to others.

I wanted a book to encourage my kid to be generous and kind. I liked that this book talked about how hard it is sometimes to be generous, and how we sometimes wrestle with wanting to be selfish. This book made me choke up with how matter-of-factly sweet it was.

My brother & sister-in-law requested donations to a local nonprofit for my goddaughters birthday. We did that, but I thought including a book on philanthropy would be a good addition, and you can never have too many books. The story is wonderful.

I really like the moral of this story. I buy a lot of books for my kids to read that are about empathy and social skills and this is one of my favorites. Have had some really good talks with my son after reading this book.

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