

READ-ALoud GUIDE

BEST FOR AGES 4-8

UNDER ONE RAINBOW

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SUMMARY

Under One Rainbow is a picture book about community, joy, and resilience. Colorful characters encounter a joyful LGBTQ+ Pride parade and an unexpected rainstorm. The book shows that fun is better shared and obstacles are best weathered together.

WHY WE CHOSE THIS BOOK

This book celebrates the color and music that brings neighbors together and the LGBTQ+ community that celebrates Pride even on stormy days.

VOCABULARY & SIGHT WORDS

Define these words together:

grace: smooth and beautiful movement

parade: a march of celebration

celebration: when we play and party in joy

flamboyant: bright, bold, fancy, dramatic

nourish: to give us health and energy

weather: to get through difficulty safely

Notice these words in the story

pride style stories

flags roll love

shine storm rainbow

QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE READING

1. Look at the cover. What do you think the book is about?
2. What kind of music do you think is playing on the speakers?
3. Have you ever been to a Pride or other parade?

QUESTIONS TO ASK WHILE READING

1. What kinds of fun clothing and accessories are people wearing?
2. What kinds of feelings are people sharing with their eyes?
3. What does a rainbow mean to you?

QUESTIONS TO ASK AFTER READING

1. Have you ever been caught in the rain? What happened?
2. How do you like to express yourself?
3. What do you like to celebrate with your family?

EARLY LITERACY ACTIVITIES DURING OR AFTER A READ-ALOUD

- Point out letters and sounds in the story.
- Clap syllables in character names or interesting words.
- Play "I Spy" with beginning sounds using objects in the illustrations.
- Trace or build letters from favorite words in the book.
- Draw a picture of your family using all the colors of the rainbow.