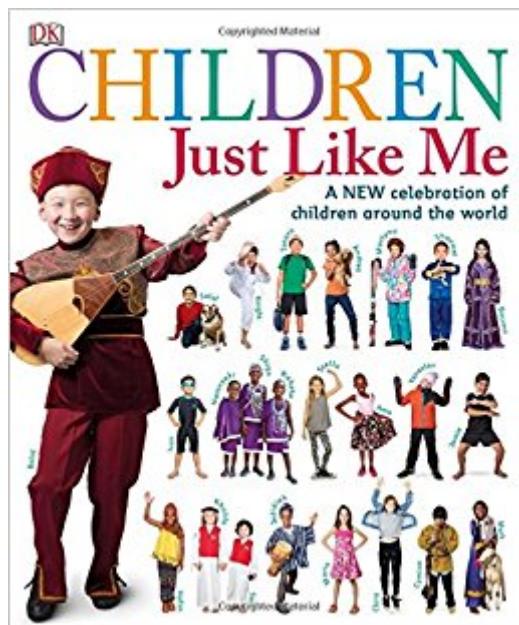


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Children Just Like Me: A New Celebration Of Children Around The World



Synopsis

A favorite in classrooms, libraries, and homes, *Children Just Like Me* is a comprehensive view of international cultures, exploring diverse backgrounds from Argentina to New Zealand to China to Israel. With this brand new edition, children will learn about their peers around the world through engaging photographs and understandable text laid out in DK's distinctive style. Highlighting 36 different countries, *Children Just Like Me* profiles 44 children and their daily lives. From rural farms to busy cities to riverboats, this celebration of children around the world shows the many ways children are different and the many ways they are the same, no matter where they live. Meet Bolat, an eight-year-old from Kazakhstan who likes to cycle, play with his pet dogs, and play the dromba; Joaquin from New Jersey who enjoys reading and spending time with his family, and whose favorite food is bacon; or Yaroslav from Moscow who likes to make robots. Daily routines, stories of friends and family, and dreams for the future are spoken directly from the children themselves, making the content appropriate and interesting to draw in young readers. To celebrate the twentieth anniversary of this special project, all-new photography, maps, and facts give unique insight to children's lives in our world today showing their homes, food, outfits, schools, families, and hobbies. A passport to a celebratory journey around the world, *Children Just Like Me* is perfect for children who are curious about the children of the world and their stories.

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Customer Reviews

USA Andrea is seven years old and comes from South Carolina. Eleven-year-old Joaquin hails from the state of New Jersey. [View larger](#)

Africa Amukelani, or Amu to her friends, is a 10-year-old from South Africa. [View larger](#)

Asia Originally formed for its delicious spices and ancient empires, today it is just as well-known for its high-tech gadgets and rapidly expanding cities. [View larger](#)

Asia Sotaro is 10 years old and from Japan in East Asia. He lives on Honshu, the biggest of the many islands that make up Japan. [View larger](#)

Australia Eleven-year-old Andre lives in Melbourne, Australia. Clara and Lucy are twins from Australia. They are both nine years old, but Lucy is two minutes older than Clara! [View larger](#)

"Factual, respectful, and insightful" *School Library Journal* "Provides just the right balance of information and visual interest." *Horn Book Magazine* "Provide[s] hours of fascinating browsing and the beginnings of real insight into other cultures." *Family Fun* "[T]his volume will draw in today's children with the immediacy of its photos of 44 international children." *Kirkus Reviews* "The information is succinct, the photographs bold and friendly, and the children span a wide range of races and cultures" *Booklist* "[R]eaders get an eye-opening glimpse of the lives of 44 children living in countries across the globe today." *Publishers Weekly*

This book is a great way to teach children about families from around the world. We used this book and the other edition as part of our Social Studies and Geography Unit.

I volunteer in a school. Part of what I do is to read to the kids I work with. They just love learning about kids from around the world. it kind of opens their eyes a little and fires up their imagination.

love this book! we read about a different child every night. i like how it shows both differences AND

similarities among children around the world!

This book was recommended by a friend. My six year old loves it. The book has eye-catching graphics and colorful illustrations.

Incorporates beautifully with Montessori Cosmic Education.

great product

A weak follow up in the series. One of the strengths of the first edition was that it showed children from all over the world, some of whom live in comparative poverty. Yet this fact was not mentioned overtly, but could easily be inferred from the pictures of their living arrangements. I understand there are politics at work here --- and nobody wants to reinforce stereotypes about regions or countries being perpetually impoverished -- but the children in this new edition all seem to be part of highly educated, relatively similar income families. There are some exceptions, of course, but much less diversity than in the first edition. One more thing -- there's less text and information about the families and their culture. Overall this edition is not as informative as the first edition.

Children Just Like Me: A New Celebration is a gorgeous publication of colorful photographs, maps, graphics, and engaging text that just begs to be read. The possibilities for using this book in a classroom are endless. Reading one biography a day aloud to students in elementary grades can lead to discussions about how children around the world are so alike yet so different. If classrooms are fortunate to have the original text published twenty years ago, a compare/contrast lesson could be in order. Mini-research activities to learn more about the information presented in the text are bound to be a natural occurrence. DK Publishers has created a beautiful, useful, and engaging publications that teachers will want to use. They have also provided a free activity kit on their website to aid teachers. There are several sheets to use with students as well as a downloadable .pdf file. I look forward to using this book with my students for years to come.

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