



Book Title: Hello, World! - School Day

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Story Content:

Early in the morning, the child gets ready for school. Different modes of transportation are explored to commute to school. Upon arrival, there are many ways to greet classmates and teachers. There are lots of fun activities and subjects to explore during the school day, and different snacks to eat and games to play during break times. At last, the day is done and it's time to go home.

I recommend this book because...



This book introduces the routine of a typical school day from start to finish. By repeatedly reading the book together at home, parents can help the child prepare for school independently, by familiarising themselves with the classroom structure and doing so in a safe environment. The safe company of caregivers can also help to reduce separation anxiety. Many alternatives are provided in each situation to introduce possibilities and flexibility. For example, a child may explore their own comfort zone in social situations when greeting people, or expand their understanding of various forms of transportation. It introduces the concept that there isn't one 'right' way to do things, and that others may do things differently. The book is visually stimulating, with colourful illustrations that are purposefully inclusive and multicultural to encourage acceptance by normalising exposure. Lots of other school concepts such as the alphabet, numbers, shapes, days of the week, time, seasons, etc, are also illustrated for readers to expand upon the page. This book shows the evolving classroom culture, which reflects the modern-day society.

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