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Jack The Builder (MathStart 1)



Synopsis

Jack stacks up blocks high. Two make a robot, five make a boat, and fifteen make...whatever you can imagine! Math becomes child's play as young readers are introduced to the skill of counting on, a first step toward mastering addition.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

PreS. Like Murphy's Beep Beep, Vroom Vroom! (2000), this entry in the MathStart series makes arithmetic a part of imaginative play. Jack stacks 2 blocks taken from a big pile. Turn the page, and a wild, colorful double-page spread shows what his simple stack becomes with the addition of a little imagination--a robot. A third block makes a hot-dog stand in an uproarious circus, and 2 more build "a ferryboat out on the sea." Eight blocks become a lookout tower, and, using 17, Jack creates a rocket ship, which soars across two pages. Then the stack falls down, leaving "nothing but a pile of blocks . . . so Jack can start again!" As always, Murphy begins and ends with simple hands-on activities for adults to help bring the math into kids' everyday life. Rex's bright illustrations will encourage even young preschoolers to point at shapes and colors as they count and add on. Hazel Rochman Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Stuart J. Murphy is a visual learning specialist. A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, he has a strong background in design and art direction. He also has extensive experience in the world of educational publishing. Drawing on all these talents, Stuart J. Murphy brings a unique perspective to the MathStart series. In MathStart books, pictures do more than tell stories; they teach math.

Stuart J. Murphy and his wife, Nancy, live in Boston. Michael Rex learned to draw in Chatham, New Jersey, and studied at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. *Who Digs?* and *Who Builds?* are his first two books with HarperCollins. Mr. Rex lives in Brooklyn, New York.

The book combines counting with building blocks and throws in some imagination. The boy builds a tower and in each stage imagines what he has built is - from a robot to a rocket ship. It is definitely for young kids. I am using it as a part of STEM curriculum.

Another great MathStart book. I love this series for reinforcing Math concepts in the classroom! In this imaginative book Jack makes many items with his blocks. The students love to see what will come next, and they choose this book repeatedly.

great book

Highly recommend.

My 3 (almost 4) year old loves this book about a boy who builds with his blocks, always adding new blocks to change his structure and using his imagination to redefine what he is building.

We appreciate "Jack the Builder" though our son is only two, the items Jack creates from his blocks appeal to him.

A great book for teaching academics to kindergarten age children.

My daughter is using these to teach a preschool class at a school and they have been wonderful and incredibly useful. We bought a number of the books and each one is well done and interesting to the kids.

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