



Over the Rainbow with Googol and Googolplex

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About the Book

Outer-space robots Googol and Googolplex come back to earth to continue their scavenger hunt with Pippa and Troy. This time they are out to collect all the colors of a rainbow, a ball of wool and some milk from a cow. Pippa and Troy think that their artistic aunt and the dairy farm next door should make the hunt easy, but they aren't counting on a bad-mannered bull and a windstorm getting in the way. Luckily, Googol and Googolplex turn out to be the Pied Pipers of cows, and Troy discovers that there's more than one way to catch a rainbow.

About the Author

Nelly Kazenbroot lives in Nanaimo on Vancouver Island with her husband and two children. She is a prize-winning painter and writer. When she isn't painting and writing, she likes to work in her garden or play with the family cats and a space alien named Buzzby (who's really their pet chinchilla). Orca Book Publishers has published three of her books about Googol and Googolplex's adventures. She has also published adult poetry and participated in art shows.

About the Writing

Nelly based the books about Googol and Googolplex on stories she had made up for her children about two little robots that she had built out of Lego. She wanted this third book to be set during Pippa and Troy's summer holidays, because that way she could have the robots find them on vacation in a new and interesting place.

Teaching Ideas—Curriculum Connections***Prereading Ideas***

In this book, Googol and Googolplex have to collect milk from a cow. Where does our milk come from? How are cows milked on big dairy farms? What happens to milk after it is collected? Why is milk good for us to drink?

Classroom Discussion Questions

1. Googol and Googolplex are like twins. Do you know any twins? Are they always identical?
2. Why do some people drink soy milk instead of cow's milk?
3. What things might you not be able to do if your hands were hard and metal?
4. Is Farmer Ben right to tell the children to stay out of his fields?
5. How do the robots show emotion?

Suggested Activities

- Teach the kids how to make a cat's cradle with string.
- Bring in crystals and prisms on a sunny day and make rainbows.
- Do a research project on how cows produce milk.
- Paint a picture showing the way a rainbow is colored.
- Let the students write about what kind of food is raised on the farms around them.

Other Books by the Author from Orca Book Publishers

Down the Chimney with Googol and Googolplex

Under the Sea with Googol and Googolplex

Reviews

"Fast-paced and fun...it is an entertaining story set to spark the reader's imagination."

—*Resource Links*

"While Pippa and Troy are expanding their knowledge of alien life, Googol and Googolplex are learning about life on planet earth."

—*CM Magazine*