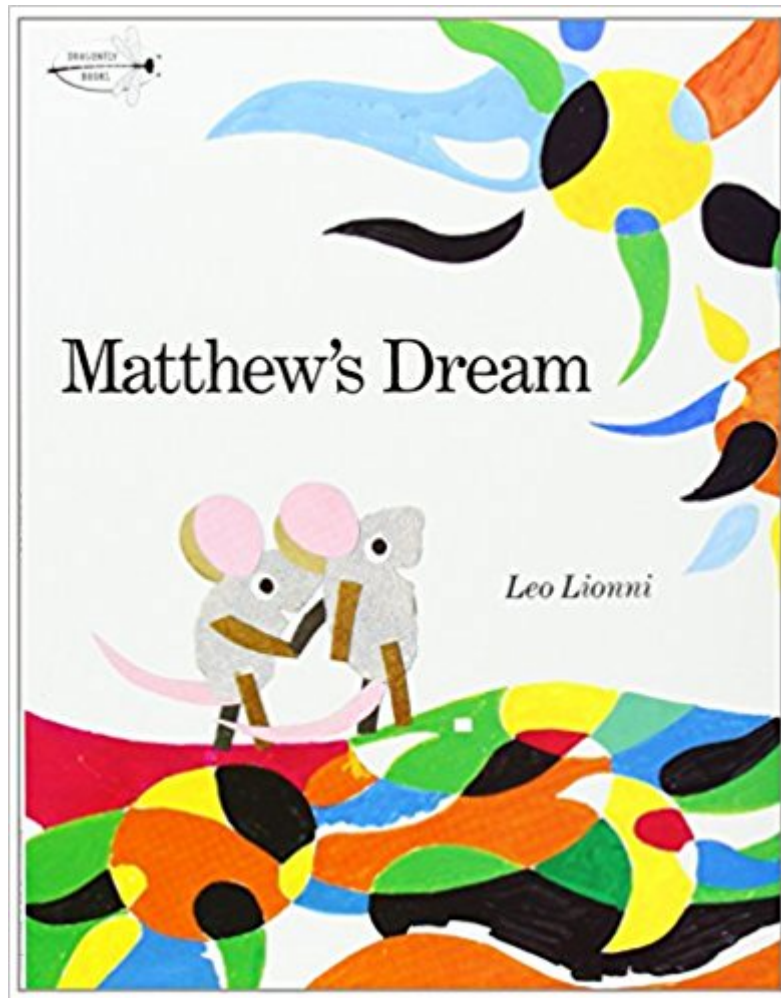




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Matthew's Dream



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Synopsis

A cleverly told and beautifully illustrated tale of self-discovery from four-time Caldecott Honor winner Leo Lionni. Matthew the mouse lives in a dreary corner of a dusty attic. But a trip to the museum helps him to see his surroundings in a new way. With brush in paw, Matthew sets out to paint the shapes and colors of joy.

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Customer Reviews

On a visit to a museum, a mouse discovers his artistic vocation; PW's boxed review said, "In a classic 'less is more' mode, the text is direct yet abundantly meaningful." Ages 3-7. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Kindergarten-Grade 3-- A classy, classic Lionni mouse fable with themes like those in *Frederick* (1967) or *Geraldine, the Music Mouse* (1979, both Pantheon). Here, too, the joy, exuberance, and service of an artist's calling are made clear to the very young. A poor mouse couple lives in a dusty attic where they have great hopes for their only child. When they ask Matthew what he wants to be, however, he is uncertain--until the day his class goes on a field trip to the art museum. The paintings make a profound impression on him, and they clarify his vocation; he is to be an artist. In

one memorable turn of a page readers see just what the tiny dreamer has seen, as Matthew's imagination transforms the dreary junk of his attic corner into a Picasso-like work of art. Both the torn paper collages and the reproductions of museum "mouse terpieces" in various painting styles invite children to look and look again. A strong, fine book by an illustrator who, like Matthew, paints canvases "filled with the shapes and colors of joy." --Anna Biagioni Hart, Sherwood Regional Library, Alexandria, VACopyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I love Leo Lionni and this is a great book about being true to yourself and following your own path.

Good book and good illustrations but too many adults theme. I think some children can handle adult themes depending on the child. You have to browse through this one before you get it for your child to see if the story is age appropriate. If your child can handle adult themes then by all means get it, if they are impressionable and can't don't get it.

One of the best stories for introducing painting to Pre-K children. It's Leo Lionni...that says it all.

Beautiful book

Matthew finds himself, his talent and love for drawing after a visit to the museum. An inspiring story for children who can see how having a dream helps us to do something for ourselves and change the world we live in.

Leo Lionni books are classics and I am sad that I only recently found them. All of his books inspire the imagination of children and get them thinking about moral, or difficult issues (sometimes without them even knowing it).

Great little story

If you are a Frederick or Alexander mouse fan you will love this story. Beautiful pictures and a sweet story make this an enjoyable book for ages 3-9.

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