



Under the Sea 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 find a tutu, sand dollars and peacock feathers, and they are only too happy when an old, retired ballet teacher steps in to help them. The neighborhood bully gets in the way once again, but that just gives Pippa and Troy an opportunity to show the robots how to swim. Googol and Googolplex pay them back by showing them the fun way to give others a helping hand.

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. As soon as she had finished writing *Down the Chimney with Googol and Googolplex*, she knew that her two little robots had to continue their scavenger hunt. She wanted their story to keep inspiring children to explore their own backyard, as well as the rest of the world. Nelly also wanted to give the robots a chance to grow, as children grow, by learning to swim, trying to dance and giving others a helping hand.

Teaching Ideas—Curriculum Connections**Prereading Idea**

In this book, the robots and the kids get a lot of help from an older woman named Madame Myfanwy. Discuss the importance of having older people, like grandparents, in our lives. Are they a pleasure to have around? Do they tell good stories? Do they need help from us sometime?

Classroom Discussion Questions

What is an astronomer?

Are there still 141 moons in our solar system, or have the astronomers found more?

If you could stretch up as tall as Googol and Googolplex can, what handy things could you do around the house?

Why should young children let adults or robots change lightbulbs?

Have you ever seen a peacock? Where?

Suggested Activities

Bring in some sand dollars and peacock feathers and draw pictures of them.

Study the life cycles of sand dollars and peacocks.

Let students write about the important part that an older person plays in their lives.

Create a map of the Philippines and the Palawan Island.

Study tide charts and ask the students how the tides affect us.

Other Books by the Author from Orca Book Publishers

Down the Chimney with Googol and Googolplex

Over the Rainbow with Googol and Googolplex

Reviews

“Like any good book, this one has drama and conflict. Anyone who enjoyed *Down the Chimney with Googol and Googolplex* will love this new book.”

—*The Star*

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