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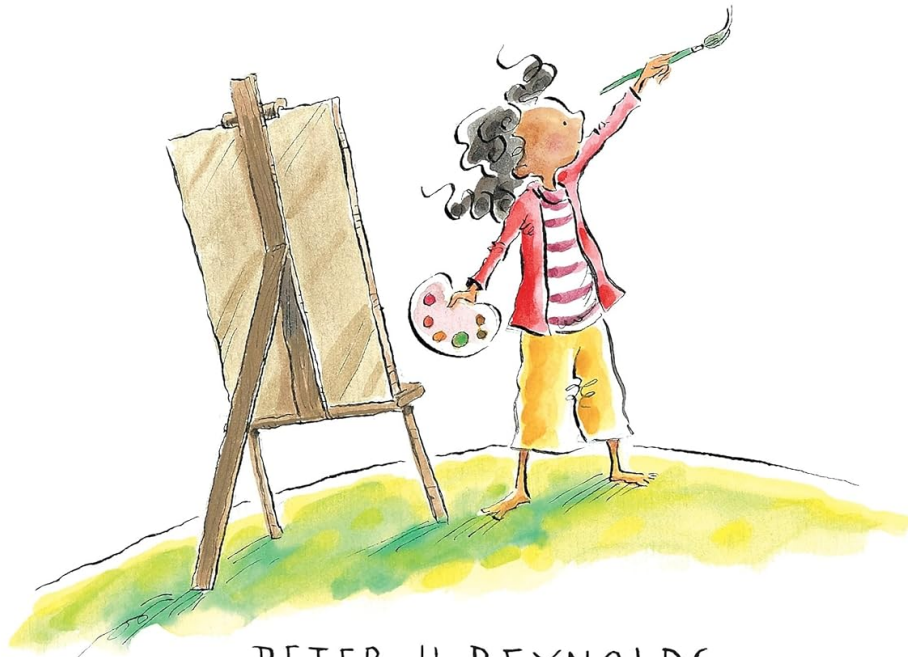
By Peter H. Reynolds

ABOUT THE BOOK: SKY COLOR

Sky Color is the third book in Peter H. Reynolds' acclaimed **Creatrilogy** series, following *The Dot* and *Ish*. This picture book tells the story of Marisol, a young artist who loves to paint. When tasked with painting the sky for a school library mural, she faces a challenge: she cannot find blue paint. Through observation and imagination, Marisol discovers that the sky is not limited to a single color, leading her to create a unique and vibrant sky.

The book encourages readers to look beyond conventional expectations and embrace their own creative potential. It highlights the importance of observation, problem-solving, and the belief that artistic expression can take many forms.

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Image: Front cover of the book "Sky Color" by Peter H. Reynolds, featuring a young artist painting a vibrant, multi-colored sky.

THEMES AND MESSAGES

- **Creativity and Imagination:** The central theme revolves around fostering creativity and encouraging children to think outside the box. Marisol's journey demonstrates that artistic solutions can be found through imaginative thinking, even when traditional resources are unavailable.
- **Observation:** The story emphasizes the value of observing the world around us. Marisol's inspiration for a multi-colored sky comes from watching a sunset and dreaming, highlighting how real-world experiences can fuel artistic ideas.
- **Self-Expression:** The book promotes the idea that everyone is an artist and encourages individuals to express themselves authentically, without fear of judgment or adherence to strict rules.
- **Problem-Solving:** Marisol's dilemma of not having blue paint becomes an opportunity for innovative problem-solving, showing that limitations can lead to new discoveries and unique outcomes.

ARTISTIC STYLE AND ILLUSTRATIONS

Peter H. Reynolds' distinctive artistic style, characterized by fluid drawings executed in watercolor, ink, and tea, brings Marisol's world to life. The illustrations are often minimalist, using color strategically to highlight moments of creative insight and transformation. This approach allows the reader to focus on the emotional

journey and the power of imagination. The visual narrative complements the simple yet profound text, making the book accessible and engaging for young readers.

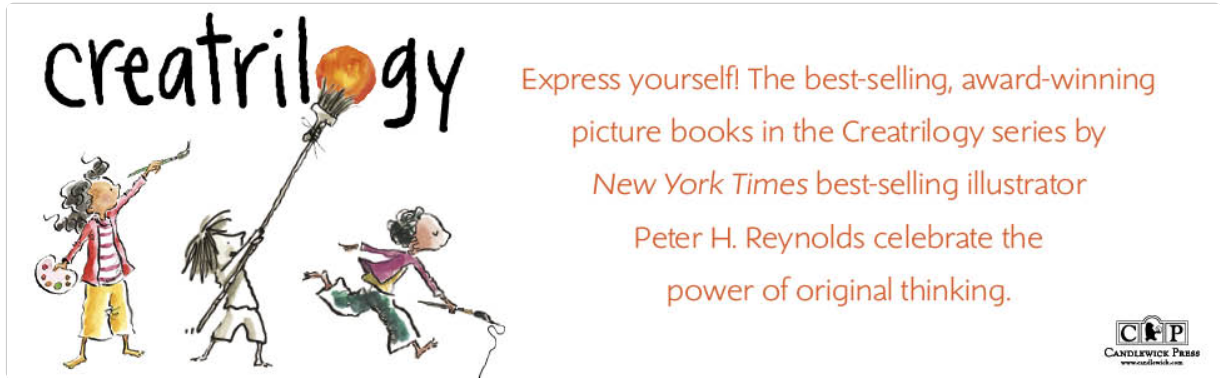


Image: A banner featuring the title "Sky Color" and an illustration of a girl painting, reflecting the book's artistic theme.



Image: A banner promoting the "Creatrilogy" series, showing three children engaged in artistic activities, symbolizing the power of original thinking.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE

Sky Color is recommended for a reading age of 3-8 years and grade levels Kindergarten to 4. It serves as an excellent tool for educators and parents to discuss:

- The importance of individual expression in art.
- How to overcome creative blocks and challenges.
- The diverse colors and moods of the natural world, particularly the sky.
- Encouraging a growth mindset in artistic endeavors.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

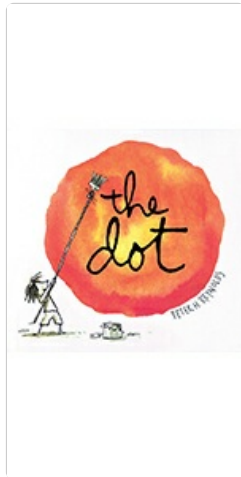
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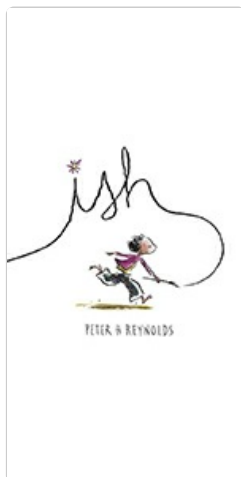
RELATED WORKS IN THE CREATRILGY SERIES

Sky Color is part of the **Creatrilogy**, a series of books by Peter H. Reynolds that celebrates creativity and self-expression. The other books in the series include:

- **The Dot:** A story about a girl named Vashti who discovers her artistic potential with just a single dot.
- **Ish:** Follows Ramon, who learns to appreciate his art even when it's not "just right," embracing the "ish-ness" of his creations.



The Dot



Ish



Sky Color

VISUAL CONTENT

Explore the book's content and themes through these supplementary videos.

Sky Color Book Review

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Video: A review of the book "Sky Color," highlighting its themes and illustrations. This video provides insights into the book's message of creativity and unique artistic expression.

Sky Color by Peter H. Reynolds (Read-Through)

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Video: A read-through of "Sky Color" by Peter H. Reynolds, allowing viewers to experience the story and its illustrations directly.

Sky Color Book Reading and Discussion

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Video: Another reading of "Sky Color," providing an opportunity to engage with the narrative and visual elements of the book.