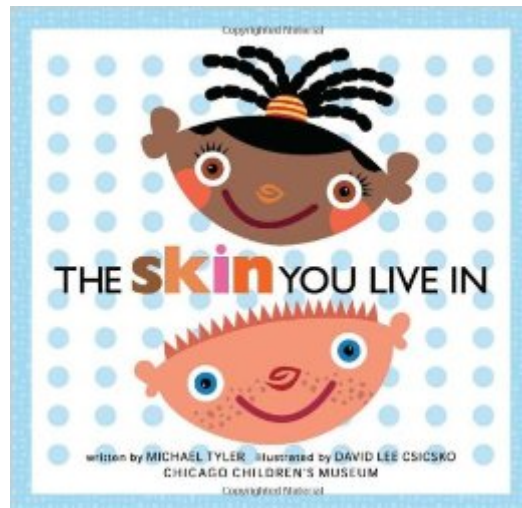


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# The Skin You Live In



## Synopsis

With the ease and simplicity of a nursery rhyme, this lively story delivers an important message of social acceptance to young readers. Themes associated with child development and social harmony, such as friendship, acceptance, self-esteem, and diversity are promoted in simple and straightforward prose. Vivid illustrations of children's activities for all cultures, such as swimming in the ocean, hugging, catching butterflies, and eating birthday cake are also provided. This delightful picturebook offers a wonderful venue through which parents and teachers can discuss important social concepts with their children.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

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The stated age for this book is four and up. It's a beautifully illustrated book, but the language is so figurative and complex that I think it's more appropriate for older children. Here are some sample passages so that you may decide for yourself if this book is appropriate for your child's developmental level (my daughter is a new five-year-old): To describe the different shades of skin (there are several pages like this): "Your pumpkin pie slice skin, your caramel corn nice skin; your toffee wrapped, ginger snapped cinnamon spice skin! Your butterscotch gold skin, your lemon tart bold skin; your mountain high apple pie, cookie dough rolled skin!" To explain the purpose of skin: "It's trembling fright skin and cringes at night skin, but turn off the light to make birthday-cake bright

skin."To discourage stereotypes (This part really confused my daughter. I had to explain these were BAD things to think. She seemed confused by all these negative thoughts that suddenly appeared in such a happy, celebratory book)."It's not dumb skin or smart skin,or keep us apart skin,or weak skin or strong skin,I'm right and you're wrong skin.Nor she skin or he skin,you're better than me skin;I'm lesser than you skin,it's me against you skin."To make you appreciate yourself. This was right after the stereotype part, and my daughter said, "This is still bad right?" I think the language was just too complex:"You're a gifted creationwith imagination.You're a new day desire to reach even higher."My daughter told me that the meaning of the book was you needed to take care of your skin and not let it tear.

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