



My Dad, My Rock

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Summary

Oliver never met his grandpa. He wonders what he would tell Grandpa if the two of them could meet, even once. Oliver decides that he would tell him about an amazing man that Grandpa never met: Oliver's dad, Grandpa's own son. In this touching and heartfelt story, you will be taken on a journey of what it means to be a dad and to be the master of your own destiny.



Author Bio

Victor D.O. Santos, PhD is an award-winning author and father to two multilingual and trilingual children. He is the author of the multi-award-winning children's series *Little Polyglot Adventures*, which was inspired by his own family history (Victor is originally from Brazil and raises his two children in a multilingual and multicultural household in Iowa, USA, with his Ukrainian wife). All of Victor's fun and beautifully illustrated children's books serve to show children the importance of respecting one another, believing in their true potential, and of trusting the power of love. *My Dad, My Rock* is based on Victor's personal family history and the first words in the book were actual words he heard from his son on a starry Saturday night during bedtime reading.

Book Information

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My Dad, My Rock - **Select Reviews**

"A beautifully illustrated, touching tale of love."

Kirkus Reviews (starred review) + Editor's Pick + Kirkus Best Indie Book of July 2022 +
Kirkus' Best Books of 2022 ★

"A heartfelt and moving ode to the father-son bond. A genuine delight."

Publishers Weekly (*Booklife*), starred review and Editor's Pick ★

"Santos offers a poignant picture of multigenerational fatherhood in this tender tribute. Forlati's artfully textural illustrations soothe, aptly matching the story's emotional acuity."

Publishers Weekly (a PW 2022 Children's Book for Father's Day Pick)

"A heartwarming picture book about father-son love that carries from one generation to the next. The illustrations are gorgeous and charming."

Foreword Reviews, starred review ★

"Such a heartwarming book. Beautifully written and illustrated."

author-illustrator Eric Fan (from *The Fan Brothers*)

"A touching title for good dads everywhere."

children's author and librarian extraordinaire Betsy Bird (*A Fuse #8 Production*)

"A moving story to remind us that love is a form of deep noticing and that loving can very much be made up of new choices we make."

Kate Hoefler, author of *'Nothing in Common'*, *'Rabbit and the Motorbike'*, and *'Real Cowboys'*

"A beautiful, touching story that will melt your heart in the same way that Robert Munsch's book, Love You Forever, touched generations of young readers (and their loving parents, too). A tender, compassionate look at a father-son relationship."

Readers' Favorite

"A beautiful and compellingly different approach to celebrating fathers. Many picture books for kids explore love between fathers and sons but few are so specific, engaging, and realistically reflective as My Dad, My Rock. It should be critical, essential reading for any age who would better understand the important role of a father in the family. An exceptional read that is highly recommended."

Midwest Book Review

My Dad, My Rock - Select Reviews (cont.)

"An extremely heartwarming and soul-touching story. It is hard to describe the wonderful feelings you will get reading this book. Everyone should get a copy."

Reedsy Discovery, starred review ★

"A heartwarming ode to fatherhood. Lovely, muted pencil illustrations in soft shades add a dream-like quality to the story. A delightful book for sharing, and perfect for Father's Day."

The Children's Book Review

"A touching multigenerational ode to fathers with illustrations as sweet as the love between this dad and son."

Jessie Oliveros, author of 'The Remember Balloons'

My Dad, My Rock - Awards & Special Mentions

International Latino Books Awards 2022

Best Children's Fiction Picture Book (Honor)

International Latino Books Awards 2022

Most Inspirational Children's Picture Book (Honor)

Kirkus Reviews

A Kirkus Reviews' Best Indie Book of July 2022

A Kirkus Reviews' Best Book of 2022

Publishers Weekly

Publishers Weekly 2022 Children's Book for Father's Day Pick