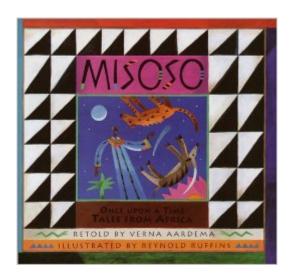
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Illustrated in full color. From Angola to Zanzibar, this treasury is as varied and bountiful as Africa itself! Â Master storyteller Verna Aardema retells 12 tales of justice and revenge, greed and generosity, sly trickery, and off-the-wall silliness with her trademark humor and flair. Â Nearly 50 illustrations vibrantly reflect the spirit of these read-aloud delights, while a map of Africa, story source information, and a personal note from the author make this a rich volume for folk-tale lovers of all ages. Â

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Customer Reviews

I was given a copy of Misoso for my birthday. It was a gift from one of my best sister-friends when she found that I was to become an aunt. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading this to my niece, who is now 5 years old. pssssst(I also keep a copy in my office) This book is entirely appealing. The stories will transport one to a different time and place. The pictures are simply gorgeous ... the size of the pages are perfect for reading to groups of children, the vibrant colors, the rhythmic language... If only the prints in the book were commercially available.... It has replaced Make Way for Duckling and Where the Wild Things Are as my favorite children's books. If things couldn't get any better, this book is a compilation of SEVERAL stories. The lessons learned in this book are universal; hence, children of all ethnicities will appreciate them. This book DEMANDS to be read out loud; luckily, Ms. Aardema's flare for words can make a lyrical storyteller out of anyone.

Misoso is a wonderfully written children's book. The pictures are vivid and the storylines do not follow the typical American storyline pattern, making this book a fascinating experience to most children. In all my years of taking care of children, I have never found a single child that did not love this book. I even occasionally see a teenager or two lingering in the doorway when I read Misoso to children. This is why Misoso is my #1 pick for children books.

My son loved to hear these stories. And in time they began to speak to me as well. The style is fresh and folk lore wise and insightful. A worthy addition to a quality library.

Was given this when I was little and it holds some of my favorite stories

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