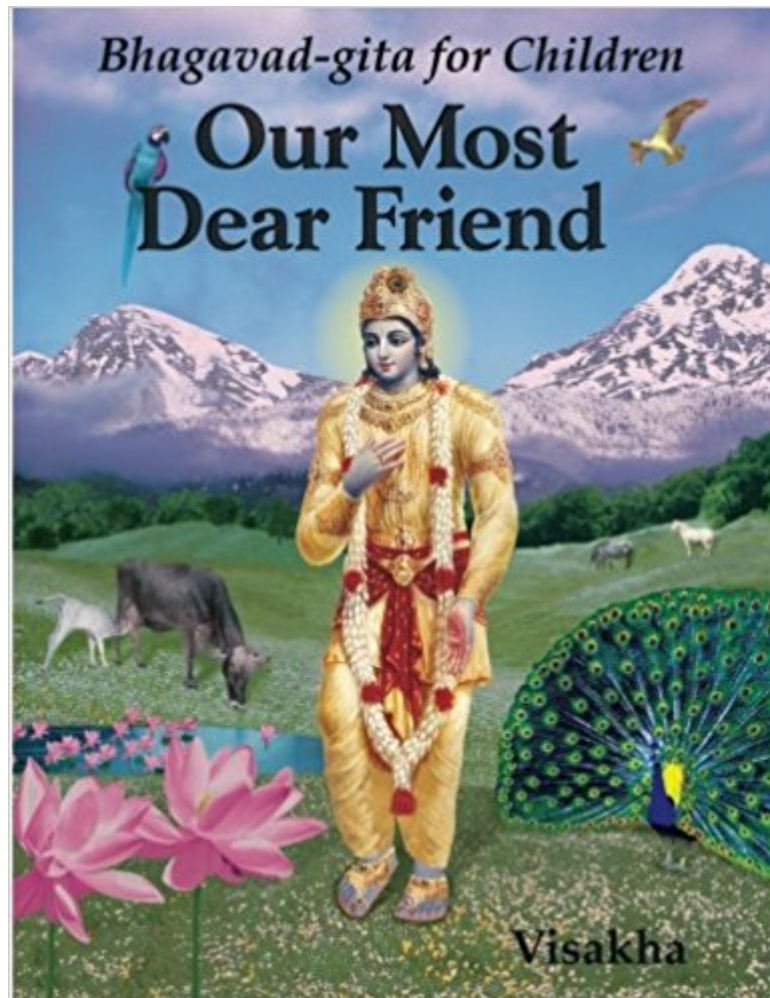




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Customer Reviews

Ages 5⁺-8. The Bhagavad-gita, one of the holy writings of the Hindu religion, is presented here as a story that will be accessible to children. It begins in long-ago India when Arjuna Pandava is about to fight a war and asks Lord Krishna for aid and advice. Krishna, the supreme Lord, plays the part of a chariot driver and describes to Pandava the workings of the spiritual world: "When your service to Me never stops and is done only for My pleasure, and when you are friendly to every living being, I will lead you from this world of birth and death." Krishna describes the soul's presence in every living thing, how all living things are part of the Creator, and introduces reincarnation (though not by that name). The eye-catching art is an amalgam of traditional Hindu artwork and modern photography. These montages can be quite dramatic, as in a tableau that traces the ages of man, beginning with a newborn and ending with a pile of bones. Libraries serving an Indian population will want this; others may find that it adds diversity to their collection. Ilene Cooper --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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I have always wanted my kids to have a good spiritual foundation. So I encourage them to read the scriptures from different relegions and cultures. This book is designed in such a way that it would capture every one's attention with great illustrations. This is not a big book which is hard to carry. Only the essence of Bhagavad Gita is described in this book in an amazing way. I noticed that after reading this book, my kids are showing more love towards the whole creation. I just love this book and I recommend this to every body.

The book itself was a very simplified version of the Gita for children. Many times I discovered that the names Krishna and Christ could be easily interchanged with regard to the message, which to me solidified my belief that at their core, most of the world's religions share a theme of universal love and acceptance.

This didn't download correctly to any of my devices. There is a large black band that covers part of each page so that it cannot be read. If you can help me to get a refund, or to re-download the book correctly, I would be grateful. The pictures are beautiful.

A simple and great first read for kids, might be suitable for kids 8and above.lot of picture illustrations and very colourful.

My son and I are embarking on a reading list designed to teach him about the religions of the world by starting off with one of the most ancient religious texts of all times, the Bhagavad-gita. Our family belongs to the United Methodist church, so introducing Hinduism to my six year old might seem a bit odd. But the motto of my church is "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors", and this is something

that our household tries to follow. We have enough confidence in our own beliefs to boldly explore onward with our children. There weren't many options for books about the Bhagavad-gita for children, and perhaps there are better choices out there, but I purchased *Our Most Dear Friend: An Illustrated Bhagavad-gita for Children* because the price was right! This is not a book about Hinduism for Western children, this seems to be a book by Hindus, for Hindus. That's okay with me. The book binding itself was quite horrible and I needed to reinforce part of it with mailing tape after just one reading. But if you can get past that part, the book is pretty neat. The pictures vary from beautiful, to bizarre, to beautifully bizarre. Major concepts about the sanctity of life and soul are clearly explained in a child appropriate way.

Seriously, sometimes it takes someone who distills a text to its essence to derive the diamond from the carbon deposit. This brief, beautifully illustrated version of the Gita really does reveal the lustrous heart of the great scripture as never before. I love this and read it over and over again. This little book, for those with eyes to see and ears to hear, contains the essence of all great teachings!

smaller than I expected, but colorful and well-written

Excellent

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