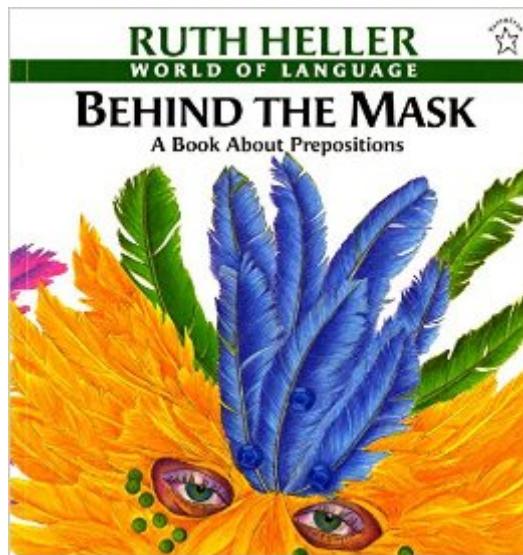


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# Behind The Mask: A Book About Prepositions (World Of Language)



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## **Customer Reviews**

As a soon to be teacher, I am a member of a Children's Book of the Month Club and this book, along with the book on pronouns, was sent to me by mistake. I have never heard of these books before. I thought they were wonderful. They even taught me about prepositions. I am going to collect all the books in the series because I think this is a great tool to have in the classroom. I don't have any children yet, but I know this is also a great book to have at home. Thank you Ruth Heller for coming up with these great books.

Ruth Heller's book, Behind the Mask offers teachers a way to review one of the basic parts of speech, pronouns, with middle schoolers in a way that is painless and often amusing. Students who

don't like to study grammar will often refer to parts of her delightful poems in answer to questions. She addresses more than one type of pronoun: for example the two and three word pronouns. She also addresses the problems of confusing pronouns used at the end of sentences with adverbs. All in all, her books are delightful for upper as well as lower grade students to read. If you teach grammar, this is one of the must have books for your classroom!

I love almost any book done by Ruth Heller. Her illustrations are dynamically colorful and enchanting, and her real magic is that she only wrote and illustrated non-fiction books. I bought this book because as a librarian for a School of Education it was a book, and part of a set, I wanted all future teachers to know about. Now as a new grandmother, it is an important part of the library collection I want to share with my grandchildren. Because it is written in lovely verse, and is colorful, the book is wonderful for even the very young children. Because of the complete coverage of prepositions, far beyond the intricacies of grammar that I usually remember, it can be used with high-school students. It should not be eliminated from use in the high school classroom because it is a picture book. Even adults enjoy beautiful, colorful pictures and high school students will be just as intrigued. They can also learn all there is to know about prepositions.

We have the language series by Ruth Heller, and love it. The illustrations are incredible, and really help make learning language fun. Plus, we use the books for our homeschool art classes too! They are a tremendous inspiration for the girls when painting.

I purchased this book for older elementary school aged children and due to feeling that some of the illustrations were not appropriate for their age, we returned the book.

then get this book prepositions and how we use them. Heller also has beautifully drawn books about interjections, nouns, adjectives, verbs and more. Each one presents the purpose of the part of speech in left brain and filled-with-wonder drawings that will not bore the average child or adult. study them and your language and your writing will improve.

Ruth Heller was a fabulous artist. Her books are an inspiration for those of us who illustrate and to the children who learn to read from them.

I have been using Ruth Heller books in my classroom for over 20 years. I love the art and I like the

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