

When We Are Kind



MONIQUE GRAY SMITH

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Author: Monique Gray Smith

Illustrator: Nicole Neidhardt

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This beautiful board book looks at how the simple act of being kind, to others and oneself, affects all aspects of a child's life.

FORMAT

7 x 7"

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Board Book

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KEY SELLING POINTS

- Simple, pointed text gives examples of how children can be kind to those around them, the different emotions that receiving kindness can make us feel, and how we maintain a connection with one another through acts of kindness within our community.
- The author is well-known for her board and picture books. Her title *My Heart Fills With Happiness* was selected for the 2019 TD Grade One Book Giveaway.
- Like the author's bestselling title *You Hold Me Up*, the text relays an important message through carefully chosen language.
- The illustrator is Diné (Navajo) from New Mexico. She was inspired by her community to illustrate an Indigenous family.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR



Photo credit: Terence Photography

Monique Gray Smith is an award-winning, bestselling author and public speaker. Her books cover a broad spectrum of ages, topics and emotions. Woven into all of Monique's writing and her speaking engagements is the teaching that Love is Medicine. Her books include *Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation*, *My Heart Fills With Happiness*, *You Hold Me Up*, *Lucy and Lola, Tilly: A Story of Hope and Resilience*, *Tilly and the Crazy Eights*, *When We Are Kind* and *I Hope*. She also created the young adult adaptation of *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Monique is Cree and Scottish. She lives with her family on the Traditional Territories of the Lək'wəŋən and WSANEC Peoples.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR



Photo credit: Kathryn Conley

Nicole Neidhardt is Diné (Navajo) of the Kiyaa'áanii Clan and is from Santa Fe, New Mexico. She has a BFA from the University of Victoria and an MFA from OCAD University in Toronto. Nicole's Diné identity is the heart of her practice, which encompasses illustration, installation, murals and Indigenous Futurisms.

PROMOTIONAL PLANS INCLUDE

- Print and online advertising campaigns
- Promotion at national and regional school, library and trade conferences
- Extensive ARC distribution, including NetGalley and Edelweiss
- Blog and social media promotion
- Outreach in Orca's newsletter program, including targeted emails to educators, librarians and booksellers in Canada and the United States.

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I am kind when
I help my family

I am kind when
I share with my friends





I am kind when
I take my dog for an extra long walk

I am kind when
I help my neighbor





I am kind when
I bring food to my Elders

I am kind when
I only take from the earth what I need





I am kind when
I take care of myself and
get a good night's sleep



I feel joy
when my family and I are kind

I feel happy
when my friend is kind to me





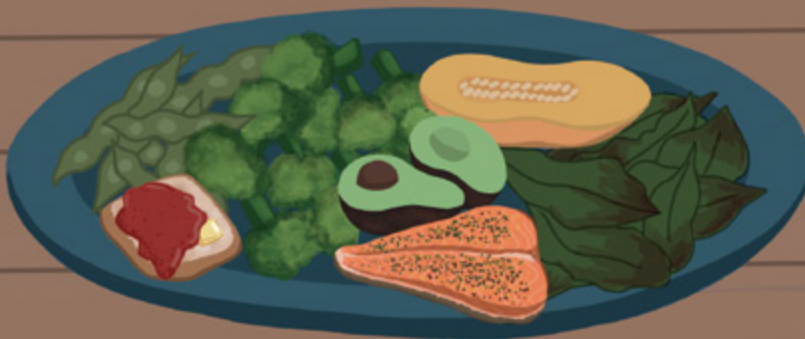
I feel comforted
when my cat is kind to me



I feel loved
when my Elders are kind to me



I feel grateful
when the earth is kind to me



I feel respectful
when I am kind to myself

When we are kind
we remember
we are all related



What makes you feel kind?

“Notably centering Indigenous families and characters of color in personal and communal activities—and encouraging readers to evaluate their actions toward others.”

—PUBLISHERS WEEKLY

When We Are Kind celebrates simple acts of everyday kindness and encourages children to explore how they feel when they initiate and receive acts of kindness in their lives. Celebrated author Monique Gray Smith has written many books on the topics of resilience and reconciliation, and she communicates an important message here for readers of all ages through her carefully chosen words. Beautifully illustrated by artist Nicole Neidhardt, this book encourages children to be kind to others and to themselves.

From the author of:



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