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Leo struggles to make sense of the world. But then one day, he meets an octopus called Maya. As Leo learns more about her, he starts to think that perhaps he isn't alone, after all.



- Sensitive, accurate portrayal of child on the autistic spectrum.
- Understanding, tolerance, empathy.
- Universal need for connection.
- Includes fascinating facts about octopuses.
- Stylish, appealing illustrations with texture and pattern.



Additional Information

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Beautifully captures the essence of friendship.

Promotes sensitivity to others' needs and feelings.

Brilliant, stylish artwork with plenty of child appeal.

Insightful, hopeful, and enchanting story.

Octopus facts add STEM connection.

- Serves as springboard for homeschool/classroom discussion and sharing of experiences:
 - Diversity, including neurodiversity
 - How each individual is unique while sharing similarities with others
 - Making friends, and the importance of friendship
 - o Aquariums, octopuses, and other ocean life
- Pair with plush octopus toy for display or gift packaging.
- For the customer who likes:
 - Lights-Out, Leonard
 Josh Pyke * Chris Nixon * 64-062-1
 - O Boy
 Phil Cummings * Shane DeVries * 67-739-4
 - A Tale of Two Beasts
 Fiona Roberton * 67-361-7
 - O The Perfect Fit
 Naomi Jones * James Jones * 64-141-3
 - Bob Is a Unicorn
 Michelle Nelson-Schmidt * 67-189-7



