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## Cubes, Cones, Cylinders, \& Spheres



## Synopsis

Cubes, cones, cylinders, and spheres. Sounds sophisticated? Only until you look at Tana Hoban's incomparable photographs and realize that those shapes are the stuff of everyday life. They are all around us all the time. In our houses, on our streets, in our hands. In yet another breathtaking book, Tana Hoban wakes us up to our world and makes us see it.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4-8 years
Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 5-The photos stand alone in this textless mathematics book. Four small, labeled diagrams on the back of the title page define the shapes. After that, readers are led on a treasure hunt for those shapes through 21 crisp, colorful pictures. A display of teddy bears in clown hats, a basket of baseballs, a breathtaking castle, and sculptured hedges typify the broad-ranging subject matter. Math teachers approaching solid geometry will find this to be a useful resource. Children will simply enjoy identifying the plethora of shapes to be found out in the world if one only takes the time to look.Ellen Heath, Orchard School, Ridgewood, NJ Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Ages 3-5. Renowned photographer Hoban specializes in making concepts like size, color, and symbols come alive for young children. This book highlights shapes that may be difficult to grasp in the abstract, but are found everywhere. The book jacket, featuring a boy and girl playing in front of a
garage, is a perfect setup for the subject: the scene contains many of the shapes introduced in the book, illustrating how they infiltrate daily life. Hoban identifies each shape before setting out on a wordless photo exploration. The pictures are a delight, showing shapes in a child's daily world (alphabet blocks, ice cream cones) as well as ones a child might encounter on a trip to the city or country (traffic cones, bales of hay). There's even a gorgeous photo of a castle that brings all the shapes together. Connie FletcherCopyright Â® American Library Association. All rights reserved

I had higher hopes for this book. I don't know what I was expecting exactly, but this book has no words. It's simply a picture book with photos of different objects that are in different, specific 3D geometric shapes. I used this in a lesson plan with first graders, and they weren't all that impressed. This would probably be good to introduce the concept of geometric shapes with Pre-K or Kindergarten students. Also might work well for special education needs for students any older than that. The photos are clear and interesting, but it just wasn't engaging at all.

## Great non-fiction!!

This book served as a great review/informal assessment/real-world application for my first grade class after a unit on 3D shapes. My students like to look at it in a center and "quiz" each other on the different types of figures.

I was preparing to teach a lesson on geo-solids and this book gave excellent examples of different types of geometric solids. It arrived on time.

This book was on a list of recommended books for early childhood teachers to use with children. Our school has found them helpful.

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