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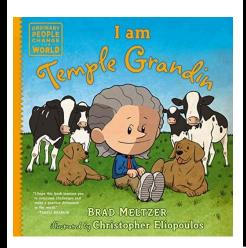
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Classification

Nonfiction (636.0092 or biography)

Grade level

3-5



Book Review: I AM TEMPLE GRANDIN

I AM TEMPLE GRANDIN is included in the <u>Ordinary People Change the World</u> series. This biography begins with Temple Grandin as a baby. She had a rough beginning because she was autistic, and it took a few years for her mother to figure out what her behavior meant. Eventually, Temple's mother found a great school that focused on Temple's strengths to help her learn and grow. Temple knew that she was different from other people. She learned about animals by observing them and getting down on the ground to understand their perspective. She became an expert in cattle behavior and helped ranchers solve problems with their cattle.

The author emphasizes how Temple was different and that this difference helped her be successful in solving problems. The illustrations in this book use both sequential art panels with speech bubbles and full-page illustrations. One unusual characteristic of the illustrations is that the main character, Temple, is depicted as a short adult throughout the book in comparison to the other adult characters in the book. It seems like this is the illustrator's style for the entire series, but it seems odd.



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