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## Book Review: BEARS ARE BEST!

BEARS ARE BEST!, a Junior Library Guild selection, is a whimsical look at the similarities and differences between the eight bear species. As each bear meets a new bear, they compare likes and dislikes and similarities and differences. The book outlines the eight things that make a bear a bear and provides details about each bear's physiology, diet, and habitat. After each bear discovers they are not the only bear in the world, they all become friends and go in for a "bear hug." Finally, the grizzly reminisces about making friends and states that alone time is okay, too.

This book is intended for use with PreK-3 students. The illustrations, created using digital and traditional collage, are bright and colorful and draw the eyes in to learn about the bears, and an octopus, too!

