

## **The Colouring Competition**

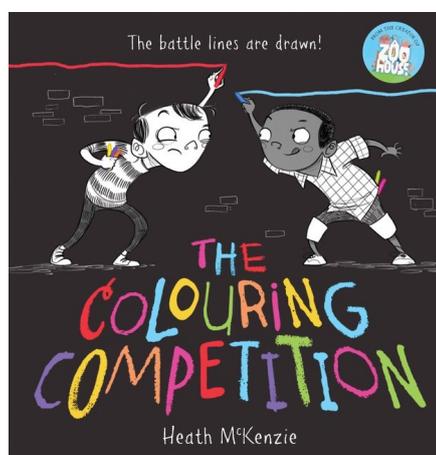
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It was the perfect day for colouring in... until Oscar noticed he had competition! Now both Oscar and Henry can't stop colouring, and they have gone WAY outside the lines! Who will win the colouring competition?



### **Themes:**

- Colouring
- Being competitive
- Making new friends

### **Discussion Questions:**

- Have you ever entered a colouring competition? If so, can you remember what it was that you coloured in?
- Where do you think Oscar was going when he noticed the sign about the colouring competition?
- What do you think Oscar was colouring with?
- When you colour in, what is your favourite thing to colour with? Do you use different things for different types of pictures or the type of paper that you are using?
- How would you describe what happened to Oscar when he discovered he had 'competition'?
- Do you get competitive in situations when you have someone challenge you?
- Do you think that competition is a good or a bad thing? Discuss as a class.
- Both the boys got carried away with their colouring. Do you think that the zoo animals and the people of the town were impressed with what they were doing? What do you think they thought of the boys?
- Did either of the boys actually win the colouring competition? How and why do you think that this happened?
- Do you think that they were initially upset about this?
- What did they agree was the greatest prize?
- Do you think that the same thing might happen now they have discovered the drawing competition?

### **Activity:**

- As a class, choose a free colouring page that suits the age of your class from one that you can find on the internet. Print these off and ask the children to create their most imaginative colouring in. They might like to use a mix of pencils, markers or crayons.