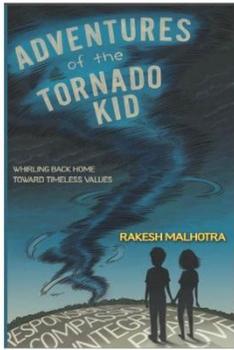


Adventures of the Tornado Kid Shares Two Children's Journey to Discovering the World's Five Most Important Values

Chicago Author Rakesh Malhotra takes young readers on a journey of discovery and inspiration, with 11-year-old James and his classmate Alisha, best friends raised with very different value sets, and their response to a life-changing event. Together, James and Alisha take the reader on an inspiring journey, discovering the power of global values and through them, the courage to make a difference in their devastated community.

CHICAGO, Illinois, August 27, 2012 – Author Rakesh Malhotra released his first book, “Adventures of the Tornado Kid,” an inspirational story geared to younger children ages 7-12 and their parents.



Malhotra pens a compelling story of 11-year-old James, who wakes up on his birthday and quickly discovers his parents and brothers have forgotten his big day. He arrives at school to be greeted by best friend Alisha and others, who do remember James' birthday. But the scene is set for the disconnect James is already experiencing from his parents and brother as he grows to appreciate Alisha's caring, compassionate and involved family.

But it's a destructive tornado that smashes through the community that launches the children's journey to discovering five of the world's most powerful values: responsibility, compassion, integrity, peace and love. It is here that Malhotra's intentions for this book take root, as he weaves a tale of life, family, relationships, perseverance, and embracing important values that are universally connected to living a successful life.

Malhotra began work on this book three years ago, although the idea for it has been brewing for years. He traveled and lived in 40 different countries, becoming a keen observer of human behavior, familial relationships, and global values as they are instilled by parents and families in different cultures. The result is a fascinating and deeply thought out tale meant to inspire the children who read it, and involve the parents in the process as well.



Author Rakesh Malhotra

“Adventures of the Tornado Kid” teaches kids not just what these five values are, but how to live them every day,” Malhotra says. “Kids can learn how to improve the quality of their lives by applying these five success principals: Passion, Vision, Perseverance, Courage, and Discipline.

“In this story, the reader explores the important roles these values and principles play in raising strong, energetic and determined individuals who will achieve success throughout their lives because they are armed with these universal values.”

Malhotra's well thought out story incorporates communication skills and tools for connecting with others, something many parents take for granted as children grow and achieve a fairly early autonomy from parental guidance.

"This book will inspire kids to connect with one another, connect families together, give teachers good material to share with their students and provide hope for communities looking for ways to help families in need," Malhotra says. "These are global values, and they can be applied universally in every society, religion, cast, community, and for any age or race.

"Every day, every single one of us is guided by our values and beliefs."

As a bonus, Adventures of the Tornado Kid" comes with a free parent guide by Planet Fassa and FiveGlobalValues.com, designed to help kids put the information they learn in the book into action. Malhotra says that by using the parent guide along with the book, the children will glean a deeper understanding of the book's timeless message, and be guided in developing and harnessing a positive attitude, sharing skills, contentment, humility and honesty.

"Adventures of the Tornado Kid" is published by Net World Publishing and is available along with the accompanying parent guide through Amazon.com. To learn more visit www.amazon.com/Adventures-Tornado-Kid.

About the Author

"Adventures of the Tornado Kid" is the first book by Rakesh Malhotra, a world-traveled values-based leader who specializes in human behavior. As a result of working, living and traveling to nearly 40 countries worldwide, Malhotra realized that performance and overall human behavior are similar across all cultures worldwide. This discovery triggered a lifelong fascination with the connection between human behavior and core values. Malhotra has authored numerous human values and performance management related articles and delivers presentations on similar topics.

With "Adventures of the Tornado Kid," Malhotra draws heavily on his experiences and broad research into human behavior and values to create an intimate observation of the lives of two children with opposing upbringings. He shares crucial techniques to help readers impart basic human values in today's youth.

Malhotra is also the founder of Five Global Values (www.fiveglobalvalues.com), an online resource that expands upon and continues the values-based message of "Adventures of the Tornado Kid." He is passionately devoted to discovering more about the mystery of human behavior, and has applied these lessons in his own life.

Malhorta shares his Chicago home with his wife and 16-year-old son. He and his family are dedicated to fostering a deep sense of peace, love, and community, with the hope of passing his example on to future generations.

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