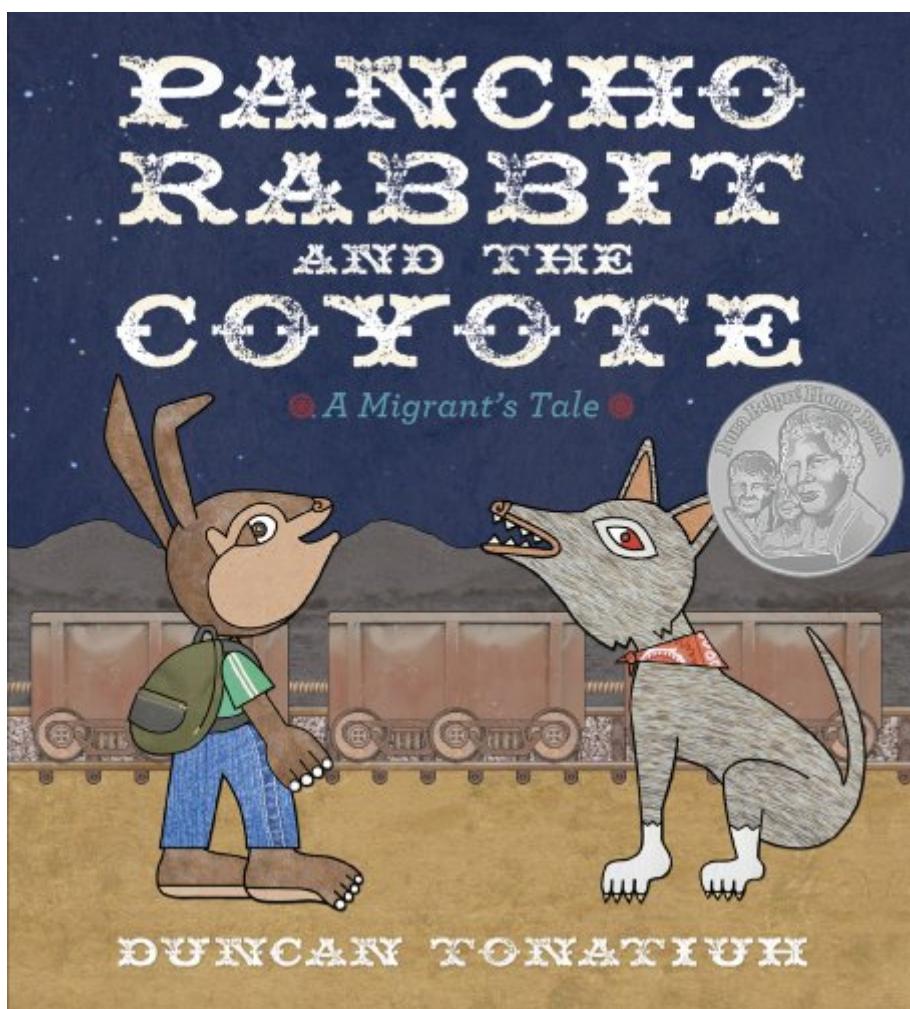


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Synopsis

In this allegorical picture book, a young rabbit named Pancho eagerly awaits his papa's return. Papa Rabbit traveled north two years ago to find work in the great carrot and lettuce fields to earn money for his family. When Papa does not return, Pancho sets out to find him. He packs Papa's favorite meal--mole, rice and beans, a heap of warm tortillas, and a jug of aguamiel--and heads north. He meets a coyote, who offers to help Pancho in exchange for some of Papa's food. They travel together until the food is gone and the coyote decides he is still hungry . . . for Pancho! Duncan Tonatiuh brings to light the hardship and struggles faced by thousands of families who seek to make better lives for themselves and their children by illegally crossing the border.

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Customer Reviews

Excellent conversation starter on migration and featuring lovely artwork very reminiscent of traditional Aztec aesthetics.

A tale for young listeners which is frank about exploitation which can occur in border crossing but manages to keep the young rabbit safe in the end, as appropriate for the audience. The book filled a

gap for our church library.

I truly enjoyed this story. I purchased it to share with my students because I thought they might relate to it. I will be honest, I haven't shared it. I'm not ready to field questions or hear REAL LIFE connections to the story. A little cowardly, I know. My kiddos have read 3 other Duncan Tonatiuh books and have enjoyed them.

Pancho Rabbit is a retelling of the Red Riding Hood story from the perspective of a young Mexican boy who is looking for his father a migrant worker up north. It tells of his travails in a playful way that illustrates the perils of travelling north and crossing the border. It's primarily a tale of family closeness and love and the difficulties they face together, told in a way that children will appreciate. I was very impressed by the artwork and the storytelling and have bought copies for my son and all his cousins...

I ordered this book as a gift for a dear friend whose children have grown up with the reality of a frequently absent parent. My hope was that it would help to open up discussion and understanding. I have just received the following note from my friend: "...I just read to the little ones the book you gave them. It is so nice to see someone highlighting the problems that so many face. I know over the years we have struggled with the breaking up of our family so half of us can go "al Norte" to work, even on an airplane it is so hard to leave behind the ones not lucky enough to have visas. The kids were asking so many questions. We, as a family talk a lot about immigration issues and they know about it first hand because of our years of trying to "get Papa's papers". The train ride in the book touched them because they talk so much about the men and women asking for money or food when we cross the train tracks. I loved the explanation at the end. My little girl really started putting it together at that point and asking more profound questions. I am sure it will be in the "every night" pile. Thanks again for this special book."

Ordered this book to for son who's learning English, the story-line is great and really captivating. Excellent choice for kids. Totally recommend it!

Love this book about Pancho Rabbit's journey to find his father across the border; read it to my grandchildren and started an educational (for me and them) discussion about immigration. I'm all for anything that opens up our eyes to what is going on in this world, especially told from the

perspective of an immigrant.

this was a gift, loved the price

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