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# Along The River



## Synopsis

Boats of all shapes and sizes travel on the river, through the seasons, toward the sea. Who will you meet on the river? This vibrant picture book from Brazil depicts the joy of the journey, showing in simple yet detailed illustrations the people you might meet along the way, the sights you might see and the food you might eat. Readers will delight in identifying recurring details when rereading. Reminiscent of the highly acclaimed *Jimmy the Greatest!*, which received six starred reviews, *Along the River* is a celebration of community bonds and shared experiences. With strong social studies curriculum connections, *Along the River* introduces young children to an alternate form of transportation, as well as to some of the customs and culture of Brazil.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 and up

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

"A feel-good journey of a picture book." â•• Kirkus, STARRED REVIEW"Starkoffâ™s message about piloting through life â•| takes on rich resonance when paired with the vision of life on the river, as people and boats of all shapes and sizes are carried along on the same current." Publishers Weekly, STARRED REVIEW"On pages painted the color of ripe mangoes, vibrant illustrations bring zip to the otherwise languid experience of drifting down a Brazilian waterway." â•• The Wall Street Journal"Starkoff creates a vivid tapestry of life that reminds us that the spirit in which you travel is more important than where you go. â•| this stunningly beautiful book presents a refreshingly new

sensibility." • The New York Times"Although the text is short and simple, the words are measured and flow like poetry. • | A narrative with a good flow and strong illustrations that will draw young children in for a quick read or art prompt." • School Library Journal

Vanina Starkoff was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She is a graphic design graduate, but she discovered that her true passion lies in the beautiful world of images and children's books. She has immersed herself in that world ever since and, in love with the colors and landscapes she has always painted, she followed her heart to Brazil where she has lived since 2014. Jane Springer is the author of *Genocide*, part of the Groundwork Guides series for which she is also the series editor. She is a consultant in international development and has lived and worked in Mozambique and India. She is also the author of *Listen to Us: The World's Working Children* and translator of the Portuguese-language books *Nest Egg*, *Tales from the* and *When the Slave Esperanza Garcia Wrote a Letter*. Jane Springer lives in Toronto.

Great illustrations. The story is basically one sentence stretched across all the pages, and while the moral of the story is noble, it is not at all engaging for a 3 year old toddler who likes a more involved narrative.

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