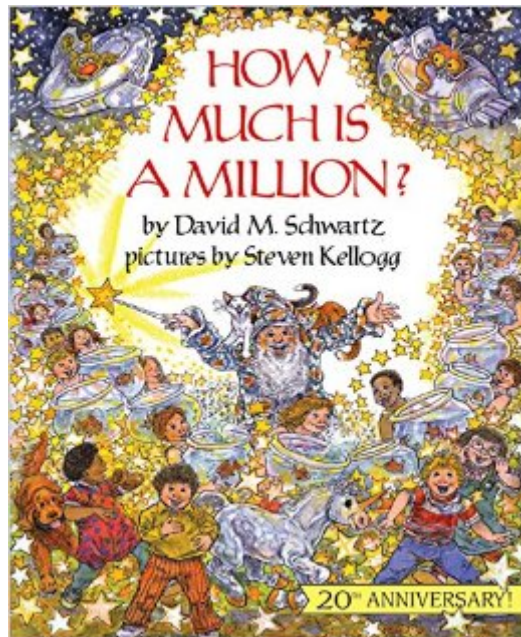


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# How Much Is A Million? 20th Anniversary Edition (Reading Rainbow Books)



## Synopsis

Ever wonder just what a million of something means? How about a billion? Or a trillion? Marvelosissimo the mathematical magician can teach you! How Much is a Million? knocks complex numbers down to size in a fun, humorous way, helping children conceptualize a difficult mathematical concept. This classic picture book is an ALA Notable Book, a Reading Rainbow Feature Selection, and a Boston Globe/Horn Book Honor Book for Illustration. Supports the Common Core State Standards

## Book Information

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Product Dimensions: 0.2 x 8.8 x 11 inches

Shipping Weight: 6.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (51 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

I'm currently a college student, majoring in Mathematics. I clearly remember this book, and the sequel by the same author, as huge parts of my childhood love for the subject. Its clear and innovative style helped spark in me a deep love of mathematics. I still imagine big numbers as fields of stars and lines of kids holding fishbowls. This is perfect for any child, it gives potentially abstract and boring numbers a proper sense of wonder. I can't recommend it enough.

I have used this book countless times for teaching new speakers of English our big numbers. It is also wonderful for young gifted children who are able to grasp these concepts perhaps sooner than their age-mates. The most creative use I've heard of came from a teacher who had borrowed my

copy but then asked to keep it a little longer because she wanted to be able to give her middle-school students an idea of the enormity of the Holocaust.

Our class liked this book. We thought it was hilarious and gave a wonderful picture of how much a million really is. The kid tower was very imaginative and was an excellent example of a million, billion, and trillion. David M. Schwartz has a fantastic imagination. This book is great for little kids, because it shows there are numbers greater than a hundred. It's language is easy for kids to understand, and it contains many amazing facts. However, older students dislike it, because it was too fictional. We felt it didn't explain these concepts well enough for us. Overall, we wouldn't recommend it for grades higher than fourth grade.

This picture book is a great pairing of engaging children's literature, detailed illustrations and a deep math concept. I love the way that Schwartz and Kellogg bring this book to life! I love Kellogg's illustrating! I would just love to jump right into the pages and be a part of all the action. His characters are drawn with such unique faces. And each page is filled with numerous details and endless nooks and crannies. Each page begs to be explored over and over. If you have never enjoyed a book illustrated by Steven Kellogg now is the time! The writing in this particular book is also very well done. The little facts about the number 1 million are really interesting. For instance it would take a fish bowl the size of a city harbor to hold a million goldfish! This book really helps kids and adults understand a very abstract concept. How many of us really have a good grasp on how much a million really is? This book definitely puts it in perspective! Read it once and you'll have to read it again and again!

Children are fascinated by the idea of a million of anything. It's just SO big! This book, with its delightful illustrations and text, makes the idea a little more understandable. I highly recommend this book.

This book gives children many opportunities to visualize something that seems so complicated into something realistic. The authors use of numbers makes it easier to understand the comparison of quantities. The story in itself made me not want to put the book down. I definitely recommend this book to people of all ages.

What a fun book - I read this as a child and bought this for my own children. A million is a very

difficult concept to grasp but this book does just that. The pictures are so lively and detailed - there are lots of things to see on every page. It also goes into "billion" and "trillion." It uses everyday objects like stars and other children to help kids intellectually grasp how much a million really is! A classic and should be in every child's home library.

This book is brilliant! For teaching about very large numbers (billions and trillions as well as millions) it is fantastic. Children (and adults) have difficulty imagining just how big these huge numbers are; this book will help thinkers of all ages. I highly recommend it for teachers of children or adults of all ages - I plan to use it with my trainee teachers.

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