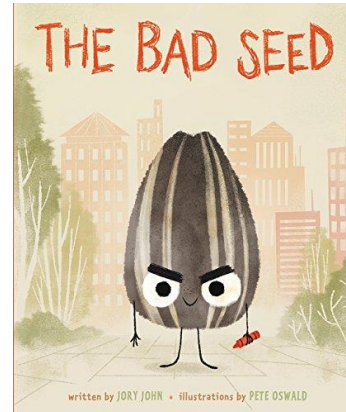


Name of the Book: The Bad Seed

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I love reading picture books with my son every day. That's why I want to recommend a book called 'The Bad Seed' with all of you. Sometimes things in life turn us into bad seeds. Have you ever had a day that was just so bad and not everything that happened was your fault or under your control? That is what this story is about.

The main character in this book is the Bad Seed. He was not always bad but everyone sees him that way because he makes up mischief and does things that are not socially acceptable, people around him thought that he was rude. However, is he really that 'bad'? He begins to tell us the story behind him and how he became a bad seed. He used to be happy and have a sweet family but things changed one day when something tragic and unexpected happened. And it left him changed and different. He was no longer a good seed but a bad one, with no friends and completely alone. Things seem pretty direr for this little guy but then something happens and his perspective changes.

Sometimes I keep making mistakes and doing things wrong and just plain messing up. And at times like this week I feel like a bad seed. But this book is about choices. We can either stay in the dark place we were pushed into or we can rise above and be a good seed. We can make the choice to fight for happiness. Every day is a choice and a battle.

Little books like this reminds us we can be more and have more, but it is up to us to make the choice to change. All we need is a positive outlook for a more positive future.