



A Different Look at Russia from the Eyes of a Child

I See the Sun in Russia (Satya House, March 2012) is the long-awaited fourth book in the award-winning *I See the Sun* series written by Dedie King and illustrated by Judith Inglese. The Russian installment provides a glimpse into the daily life of an average Russian family as seen through the eyes of Anton, a young boy growing up in the city of Saint Petersburg.

In a world where global events dominate the news and our children have exposure to other cultures, this book offers a unique perspective that simply is not available anywhere else. What's more, the story is captivating. Anton's parents work long days to provide for their family. Like many Russian families, they have a small country cabin called a *dacha*, where they can relax on weekends and vacations in the summer. Anton has a talent for music and attends a special public music school. His brother on the other hand goes to a regular public school. Despite a turbulent history and ongoing economic and political hardships, the story portrays that the people of St. Petersburg retain great pride in their heritage, the beauty of their city and the richness of their culture.

Like the other books in the *I See The Sun Series*, **I See the Sun in Russia** was first written in English. Then it was translated into Russian by Irina Ossapova, a woman who has lived her entire life in St. Petersburg. **I See the Sun in Russia** was vetted independently for authenticity and accuracy and is richly illustrated with collages made from original photographs and colorful drawings. It also includes an overview of the country, a glossary of unfamiliar words, and a map that highlights where Russia is on the globe.

The next title in this unique and exciting series will be **I See the Sun in Mexico** (July 2012). **I See the Sun in China** and **I See the Sun in Nepal** were published to great acclaim in the Fall 2010. **I See the Sun in Afghanistan** was released to excited audiences in June 2011.

About the Author: Dedie King was a Peace Corps volunteer in Nepal. During her two years there, she also travelled in other parts of Asia including India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. She holds a MEd and besides teaching in the Peace Corps, has taught elementary school and children with learning disabilities. Her interest in writing books about different cultures is to bring awareness to young children of both the sameness and the differences of cultures around the world.

About the Illustrator: Judith Inglese is an artist who designs and fabricates ceramic tile murals for public environments. She has written and illustrated many books for her children and grandchildren to stimulate their imagination and honor their sense of playfulness. The *I See the Sun* series is her first collaboration for publication.

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