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On a Beam of Light: a Story of Albert Einstein

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Albert Einstein thought and wondered, figured and imagined all kinds of things in the world. Berne's story explains young Albert's fascination with life's many mysteries and beautifully extends his childlike wonder into his adulthood, thereby encouraging young and old readers alike to never stop wondering. Radunsky's illustrations humorously capture Einstein as whimsical and aloof. The story ends with Berne's advice to the readers to keep "wondering, thinking, and imagining," always an encouragement to many children and a reminder to parents. The illustrations illuminate the character and person of Albert Einstein and the story motivates readers to imitate Albert's innate childlike wonder at the world, making this book an excellent addition to any collection.

Recommended.

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